

Minutes of DION Board Meeting

Place: Realfagskantina

Time: Tuesday 12 April 2005 1400 -1520

Attended by : Vishwas, Eirik, Andreas, Torun, Silje, Kristin, Øyvind Eikrem (visitor), Kurt, Erwin and Latha

	Issues	Agreed upon that
1.	<p>Øyvind Eikrem, from SVT, Department of Social Anthropology, presented two issues on which he desired a statement from DION:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Time elapsed since he submitted his thesis for evaluation = 9 months b. Problems in constituting the evaluation committee <p>He also informed about the deep and long standing conflict between his supervisor and the head of department as real reason behind these issues. He further informed about his own efforts to bring matters to take matters ahead and gave copies of all correspondence in the matter, including the letter from Forsker Forbundet's lawyers. Both the issues were discussed thoroughly from all perspectives possible and there was unanimous agreement on DION's stand – this was a happening that was one too many, even if it is single case.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eirik will send a supportive letter stating DION's opinion on the matter to Øyvind. • Kristin and Vishwas will form a team and enquire from Studenttinget about regulations on the matter. • Kurt sends the necessary contact info by e-mail about Sentrale Klagenemda so that Ø Eikrem can take the matter there for resolution.
2.	<p>Annual Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Torun will write the Annual Report. • Newsletter will be sent out by Eirik before the meeting to enhance participation.
3.	<p>Høringsuttalelse NTNU asked for comments from DION and the faculties on why many PhD-candidates are delayed or don't finish their PhD.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each individual member sends e-mail responses to Eirik who collates them into a draft. The DION statement will be a task for the new board after the election.

4.	Election Andreas informed about his experiences with media interviews on the topic of temporary scientific employees being invited to be a part of NTNU Board, the process of this election and that 4 names were required, 2 of each gender, for it to be a real choice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DION will continue to look for candidates and promote the election.
5.	Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Send content to Eirik who will send it out timed to enhance participation at the annual meeting.
6.	SiN's corner	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Erwin continues to work for SIN from Canada while he is away using e-mail. Silje was not interested in replacing Erwin in the SIN board.• TEKNA has agreed to give money.• Ø. Eikrem's issues to be taken further to SiN.
7.	Diverse a. Torun informed that the application of funds from NTNU for DION was rejected. b. Eirik asked if anyone have documents written by DION that are not on the internet pages.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Funds to be applied for at other appropriate places• Please contact Eirik if you have such documents.

Minutes written by Latha Nrugham on 12.04.05