

DION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date	October 23 th 2017, 12:00 – 15:00
Place	Old Physics building, Room 207, Gløshaugen Campus
Present	Maria Hesjedal, Ray Pritchard, Alexander Busch, Edgar Lopez, Ankit Aggarwal, Ingvild Firman Fjellså, Enrico Riccardi and Olena Meleshko.
Secretary	Nina Westerlund Støen

Welcome / Ingvild

What have happened since our previous meeting?

- Stream of Researchers night at CERN
- Orienteering in Bymarka

Ingvild, been to a meeting with Forskningsutvalget;

Thea are planning a “Post-doc lift”; There will be a 2-year study.

They also were agreeing with our concern about open office space according to the Campus-project.

Discussions related to the Board of NTNU / Nina Røkkum

Skip – Discussions relates to the Board of NTNU – because Nina Røkkum could not come.

Current issues in SiN

- Enrico – meeting in Bergen – informs about the meeting.
- Edgar – he has contact with a group at UiB who wants to start a group similar to DION.

Forskerforbundet: paneldebate/ Ingvild

DIONs leader is invited (and agreed) to participate in a panel debate in Oslo November 14th, organized by Forskerforbundet. <https://www.forskerforbundet.no/om-oss/forskningspolitisk-seminar/2017/>

- Topic of debate; Struggle for the talents.
- They saw our article in the summer.

Ingvild will get the questions in advance so she can prepare. Will share them with the other board members also, for advice and input.

Grants/ Ankit

Received 2 applications till now.

Important to try to reach more PhD's. Posters around at Campus. Sending out e-mails. Ankit & Ingvild will make an email about Grants – and send it out to members of DION.

And boost the Facebook-event about Grants.

Events

Enrico informs. The orientering-event was very good. Coffee & waffles. Good oppmøte. Time to mingle & people were interested in DION. Twice a month. At least once a months.

Maria & Ray will arrange November-event. Happy Hour at Boxer – shuffleboard and hang out.

Ankit will arrange an event (Bowling) in December.

Open Projects/ name

DION Name and logo / Ray. Did not get any suggestions. We need some input according to both logo & name.

Competition; need some guidelines to have a Logo-competition.

Alex; create a document that says something about what we won't (requirements) ex; choose a logo that's black & white. Maybe some students can be interested in participate in this contest, or come up with some suggestions.

About name; most board members agree that we can keep the name. Go with the DION-name for now.

Has to work in English.

Decides at the AGM.

Start-up guide;

Ray informs.

Concerning the startup guide procedure, would like a document to be created and maintained by some HR people. This is not the right approach, as the contents most concerned about are not faculty specific issues (immigration and NTNU IT/HSE systems etc).

Suggestion; could try to modify the Innsida pages that host relevant content for the update to more correct information.

FB-survey?

Good to have some information for/from everybody.

Main case – have to be the International students. The most important part.

Enrico – Housing. Been in a meeting with NIRS (linked directly to the NTNU-page) Make something happen there. NIRS mean they have more than enough housing. Not right.

Ray - organized to meet with NIRS in November, but they have been very slow to respond to my (multiple) emails since summer. Hopefully they can help me more with getting to talk to the right people.

Maybe have a survey, ask people how long they have been working on finding housing, what problems have occurred, etc.

Ray – got info about some “Tjenestesenter”; will help out with everything when coming to Trondheim, start-up-guide, police, housing, etc.

Authorship /Alex

Talked to NTNU library who might have some PhD publication statistics as input, but will not be available as project partner.

Will write a short summary of what has happened so far and put the project on hold because it is not feasible in terms of workload.

Sharepoint /Alex

We need to move forward on this. Move some of the old stuff (Nina). Alex will take a look at the old system and make a plan for this.

Tip; Feel free to edit documents, and the system will evolve. Activate Track-changes-system. Changes will then show. Add comments as well.

Office space / Edgar

- Open office space.
- Should write a letter about this. State our position.
- Could address it to Prorector.

- The rest of the board disagree – this has been done – and Prorector is agreeing about this topic.

To go forward with this, we have to make a statement – make a document in Sharepoint – Edgar puts down the arguments.

Social media / Lena

Admin access – Kine still have access – but decided to delete her now.

Edgar & Ray & Enrico have access for events.

The agreement was to post 1 thing a week.

Posting related to events is ok. But Olena is responsible – so ask her. Not just post.

Everyone can send to Olena – not posting by yourself without asking her.

- TV-skjerm på Stripa. (Alex) should use this as well. Especially on events & Grants.
- Maybe not call it just Social media – more Public relations - include every form, like; tv-Innsida, website, twitter, Etc..
- Alex – make a document in Sharepoint where we can put in each of the members responsibility areas.

PhD cases / Ankit

Update & Status on PhD/Postdoc cases.

Case 1: About PhD defence, as you would have seen the corresponding emails. We advised him to have a meeting with the head of the department and PhD committee. And tell us more specifically about the reason that why his supervisor is not approving his thesis. And if plan A does not work out, plan B involves participation of DION.

Case 2: About email addresses: Alex has formulated the letter about this which is available on the sharepoint.

Ingvild – has brought this topic up at Forskerutvalg-møtet– and she said she would get back to her – will hear from her. Probably in a couple a days.

Ingvild – contacted by responsible for the PhD-conference and NTNU Alumni.. Wanted DION to participate again, there was a meeting this spring (april). It will be arranged every other year – Ingvild said yes to participate in the future.

Topics for the PhD-conference; (Alumni)

- Enrico; should be coordination on the topics.
- Supervision.
- Industrial “lift” for Postdoc.

The Board suggests around April for date.

Breakfast-meeting / Alex,

- Have to talk to Nina Røkkum to find a date. Probably in November. Next NTNU board meeting is in primo December.

A.o.b

Enrico; buy some polo-shirts? To use at Dion-walks etc.

Ingvild; Problem; can't be transferred to others. Maybe buttons etc instead.

Enrico; could come with a suggestion, find some options.

Ingvild; Edgar can order the same type of poster (laminated) with name & logo on. Re-use and is fine and visible.

Suggestion for next DION board meeting:

The next board meeting is adjourned to November 28th.

Dinner after the meeting (18:00).

Ingvild Firman Fjellså

President DION

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