Meeting minutes

Meeting date: 31 August 2015

Minutes prepared by: Ewout Crijnen

Subject: Executive Board meeting

Present: Dymph van den Boom (acting president), Hans Amman, Huib de Jong, Lianne Schmidt (student assessor), Edgar du Perron, Geke van Velzen, Ewout Crijnen (minutes)

1. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on 24 August 2015
   The minutes were adopted with several amendments to the text.

2. Announcements
   Van Velzen related that the weekly Academic Hour (Academisch Uurtje) will normally be held on Mondays from 13.30 until 14.30 (usually in the foyer of the Maagdenhuis), except on Monday, 14 September and Monday, 16 November, when the time will be moved to 12.00-13.00. The Academic Hour scheduled for Monday, 19 October has been cancelled.

3. Reform agenda
   - Van den Boom had inquired about the progress of the Finance Committee. Discussions with the truncated committee have been constructive.
   - The Executive Board reviewed the programme of the Opening of the Academic Year that would be taking place later that afternoon and in particular the situation that has arisen as regards the Central Student Council’s planned contribution to the programme. If possible, an appointment will be scheduled with the Student Council chair before the opening. The members also agreed to conduct an evaluation of the Opening of the Academic Year (and of the preparations).

4. Appointment of professor of National and International Insolvency Law
   The Executive Board approved the appointment of Dr R.J. de Weijjs as professor of National and International Insolvency Law at the Faculty of Law for a 30.4/38th portion of the full-time working hours and a period of five years.

5. Purchasing and tendering policy
   The Executive Board adopted the new purchasing and tendering policy under consideration for the UvA and AUAS with a few textual and other amendments. The policy will be definitively adopted by the Board outside a meeting after the text has been amended.
6. **Amsterdam University Association - UvA collaboration agreement**
   Given that the UvA and the Amsterdam University Association (AUV) pursue similar objectives in their alumni relations and have already been working together to this end for many years, the Executive Board approved the proposal to formalise this collaboration and signed the collaboration agreement under consideration.

7. **Duties of the Executive Board student assessor**
   The Executive Board discussed the memo before it outlining the duties of the student assessor, which are based on the responsibilities set out in the recruitment text. As outlined, the student assessor's role will be to act as an adviser to the Executive Board. Schmidt answered affirmatively to the question if the outlined duties were acceptable. She further indicated a wish to focus primarily on topics that directly concern the academic community and students at the UvA. It was agreed that Schmidt is in principle welcome to attend all board meetings.

8. **Management consultations**
   a) **Timetable of the representative advisory bodies**: There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the annual plan for 2015.
   b) **Timetable of the UvA-AUAS Supervisory Board**: There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the annual plan for 2015.
   c) **Agenda for the UvA-AUAS Supervisory Board meeting on 4 September 2015**: The Executive Board members settled who would be responsible for presenting which agenda items.
   d) **Outline of the UvA-AUAS and VU Executive Boards' working visit to the science faculties on 7 September 2015**: There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the outline of the working visit.
   e) **Draft agenda for the Central Executive Council meeting on 17 September 2015**: It was agreed to uphold the draft agenda pending another review.
   f) **Draft agenda of the UvA-AUAS and VU Executive Boards' joint meeting on 24 September 2015**: There were no further remarks or amendments concerning the discussion of the draft agenda.

9. **Lists of issues and actions**
   a. **List of issues**: There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the list of actions.
   b. **Timetable of Executive Board meetings**: There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the timetable.

10. **Additional business**
    Van Velzen announced that as from this week, the definitive agenda and minutes of the Executive Board meetings will be published on the UvA website every week.