



## Meeting minutes

Meeting date  
9 November 2015

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Subject  
Executive Board meeting

Present  
Amman, Van den Boom (acting president), De Jong, Schmidt (student assessor), Lange, Du Perron, Van Velzen, Von Meyenfeldt (minutes)

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### 1. Minutes of the Executive Board (CvB) meeting held on 2 November 2015

The minutes were adopted with one amendment.

### 2. Announcements

- Van den Boom went to the Amsterdam University Association (AUV) Day, which was extremely well attended.
- De Jong and Amman attended a round-table meeting at which they discussed, among other matters, ways of drawing knowledge institutions to Amsterdam, based on the knowledge institutions already established in the city. Agreements concerning the valorisation policy were also made at this meeting. The different Colleges will work together to draw up an action plan.

### 3. Reform agenda

It is hoped that the Democratisation and Decentralisation Committee will soon be established. The first Maagdenhuis debate was poorly attended, leading to a discussion among the organisers about the form of the debates.

### 4. Policy for people with a disability, a chronic illness or an occupational disability

De Jong is the portfolio holder of this dossier; he indicated that coordination on this issue has turned out to be insufficient and that he will therefore verify whether enough information has been processed so that the policy document can be placed on the agenda for the next Central Executive Council meeting and presented to the representative advisory bodies for approval. Following approval by the representative advisory bodies, the policy can be adopted definitively.

### 5. UvA-AUAS FP&C organisation plan

*(in the presence of Boels)*

Boels explained that work on this plan has been going on for a year. The best way to fulfil the objectives of the AUAS transition without these having any bearing on the UvA was carefully considered. The headcount has been updated and, following an information round, it has been decided to retain recognisable parts for the UvA and AUAS, with a focus on cooperation in the areas of services and real estate. The plan has been regularly discussed with staff members in the past year. The plan and procedure were well received by the Joint Works Council and DSD monitoring teams. The CvB also expressed its appreciation of the plan and adopted it.

**6. 2015 II periodic consultations agenda structure**

The CvB adopted the structure for an agenda.

**7. UvA's contribution to the AUC Scholarship Fund 2016-2019**

In line with the proposal, the CvB has agreed to contribute €100k per year to the AUC Scholarship Fund for the period 2016-2019.

**8. PPLE initial costs**

*(in the presence of Boels)*

Amman explained that this proposal sets out the procedure that currently applies. The programme itself is running well. Enrolments are higher than expected, which means that the pre-investments will probably be earned back faster. Van den Boom will speak with the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences about their participation in PPLE.

The CvB agrees with the proposal on covering the initial costs of PPLE, remarking that these costs are being covered by the UvA's central management by way of an exception. In subsequent cases, the standard practice of faculties bearing responsibility for the pre-financing of new study programmes will again apply. In answer to a question from Du Perron, it was emphatically confirmed that these costs will not be covered by the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science's pre-investment funds, contrary to the reporting in Folia.

**9. Establishment and participation in the Science and Business Foundation**

*(in presence of Boels)*

Amman explained that Amsterdam Science Park is running very well, and that the parties involved wish to unite in this foundation to further advance the institution. In answer to a question from De Jong, Amman answered that IXA fulfils an Amsterdam-wide role but that in some cases additional organisation per campus would be desirable. Science in Business excels in this. However, a point of attention is the clear delineation of the administrative relationships between IXA and initiatives such as these.

The board currently has a strong UvA representation: Boels (UvA), Maex (UvA), Krijnsen (UvA Holding), Arlman (municipality), Hommes (Tallgrass BV), Dekker (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research or NWO), NWO institute director (rotating). The draft articles of association suggest that in the future a UvA representative should be included by virtue of his office; this will need to be further fleshed out during negotiations with the municipality and NWO.

The CvB agrees with the draft articles of association and agrees with the management composition. Amman was authorised to further the shape plans in negotiations with the municipality and NWO.

**10. Procedural proposal for education pre-investments**

The CvB will write a letter to the deans proposing that they submit detailed plans for resources allocation, similar to the procedure with the Study Success programme. Subsequently, the University Committee on Education (UCO) was asked to assess the proposals and to issue a recommendation to the Board.

**11. Draft budget, including UvA's Accommodations Plan 2016**

*(in the presence of Boels)*

The Executive Board discussed the proposals in the enclosed memorandum for balancing the budget. Amman and Van den Boom will hold preliminary discussions with the units on the agreed proposals. In the meantime, F&C will incorporate these proposals in the figures of the draft budget.

The CvB also reviewed the state of affairs surrounding the framework letter which requires approval before the draft budget can be submitted to the academic community. Given the

standing agreements, it should be possible to obtain written approval from the joint meeting of the representative advisory bodies (GV) this week.

Consequently, the next CvB meeting will again discuss the draft budget, furnished with a communication plan, Accommodations Plan and IV projects portfolio so that it can be adopted and submitted to the GV and academic community.

Schmidt asked that attention be paid to the way we deal with responses from the community; the Framework Letter prompted a range of interpretations. The communication plan must make it clear that the responses from the community will mostly serve as input for the discussion between the CvB and the GV. Nevertheless, it is our intention to answer questions from the community, including questions from individuals.

## **12. Transfer of Bungehuis in 2016**

*(in the presence of Van Vree and Nijsten)*

The CvB and the Faculty of Humanities (FGw) discussed the state of affairs surrounding the FGw's relocation schedule and concluded that it was extremely tight. A further complication is the delay being experienced by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW), which means we cannot be sure if the Academy's renovation work will be completed by the time the FGw is ready to relocate. It was agreed to postpone the relocation by three months to 1 July in order to be certain the renovation work is completed before the relocation takes place.

## **13. Management consultations**

- a. There were no remarks concerning the discussion of the timetable of the representative advisory bodies.
- b. There were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the timetable of the Supervisory Board.
- c. Meeting round of the UvA/AUAS CvB/VU dated 12 November 2015: there is a lack of clarity concerning the institutional fees for the joint degree programmes; this will have to be resolved before the meeting.
- d. Meeting round of ACTA Administrative Support (BO) dated 12 November 2015 : there were no remarks concerning the agenda.
- e. Draft agenda for the Central Executive Council meeting on 19 November 2015: the CvB will discuss the agenda. It was concluded that it will not be feasible to discuss an initial, purely financial, outline of the allocation model already at this meeting. De Jong and Van den Boom will consider the approach of the discussion on the teacher training programme proposal.
- f. 2016 Executive Calendar (BK): the CvB adopts the 2016 BK.
- g. VSNU SI report dated 12 October 2015: there were no remarks concerning the report.
- h. VSNU SI agenda dated 12-13 November 2015, Brussels: there were no remarks concerning the agenda.

## **14. Areas of concern and actions lists**

- a. Areas of concern: there were no remarks concerning the actions list.
- b. Timetable of CvB meetings: there were no further remarks concerning the discussion of the timetable.

## **15. Any other business**

- Van den Boom announced that Brentjes will become a member of the Supervisory Board of the Amsterdam Institute for German Studies (DIA).
- Amman remarked that he spoke with Van der Wolf about the campus development progress reports for the period April through June 2015 (Q2), which were subsequently adopted and submitted to the Central Executive Council and the (Audit Committee of the) Supervisory Board for discussion.

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