

MINUTES of the Board Meeting of Orbis – International Students of the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Theology

- Time and location: Wednesday 03/02/2021, online on Zoom, 18:00-19:20
- Attending: 13 board members
- Participants:
 - Joonas Åkerblom
 - Julie Ricarova
 - Miina Noroila
 - Sara Hietala
 - Fanni Linnala
 - Leah Martin
 - Laurel Wheeler
 - Akseli Taimi
 - Valentine Hagata
 - Emilia Hietavirta
 - Eveline Van de Walle
 - Bella Felix
 - Ann Dänner
- Head of the Meeting: Joonas Åkerblom
- Secretary of the meeting: Julie Ricarova

Agenda

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Establishing Legality and Quorum
3. Electing the Scrutinizers of the Minutes
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Overalls and Patches
6. Future Events
7. Sectors
8. Comments, Announcements and Other Business
9. Closing of the Meeting

1. Opening the meeting

The meeting started at 18:01

2. Establishing Legality and Quorum

The meeting was declared legal and has a quorum.

3. Electing the Scrutinizers of the Minutes

Miina Noroila and Sara Hietala. They will also count votes.

4. Approval of the Agenda

We approved of the agenda.

5. Overalls and Patches

We haven't ordered them yet, but should do it soon, in a few days (Saturday, Sunday?), latest next week.

Patches - we got those ones that Leah set up. We will order 100 of them.

We will vote on that. We approved of ordering 100 of patches.

6. Future Events

Trade Union coming.

Emilia and Eveline have an idea about crafts event for Valentine's day (Bob Ross style).

Online Zoom excursion with SUB.

(One or two events per month would be ideal)

Any nice Zoom hangouts just to catch up and meet.

7. Sectors

This will be part of every meeting - to get to know what each sector has in plan and what's going on →

Chair - in touch with Cissi, SUB and other organisations. Finishing up some bureaucracy stuff.

Vice chair - in contact with people about our website, it might take a while.

Secretary - mailing list + overalls form.

Treasurer - Emma is not present this time. Working on Tahlo.

Communication team - mailing list and Alumni group for us on Facebook, so we can keep in touch with former members.

Events managers - Valentine thing and then we'll see.

Leah - Trade Union (Unions in Finland, what are our rights, Union for Social Sciences).

Representation - Laurel - not any news. Emailing about accessibility issues but haven't had a meeting yet.

Social media - introduction of our new members on social media. Will try to make the visual identity of Orbis more colourful and maybe update it a bit.

8. Comments, Announcements and Other Business

Electing Fanni Linnala as an Orbis Official. We approved of having Fanni Linnala as an Orbis Official.

Miina has one overall so it can be for later use.

We will have a closet at the student house.

Songbook for international (English speaking) students for sitsit. (No need to do that now.)

Mailing list - Bella is working on Mailchimp and has a template already.

Songbook committee in cooperation with Cissi. We just created it and Joonas is in charge.

Keys for the closet will be later. There will be some Zoom training for people having keys from the student house.

How to get international students to go to events? It is a bit different now as the situation is what it is, so we should also be patient and people will probably get involved later. Not many international students are actually here atm, especially from exchange programmes.

Meetings and workshops only in Finnish, even though they should be in English. On the other hand, not so many English speakers are coming. However, it would be nice to arrange more English friendly events.

General meeting in the beginning of March, will be held online but will officially be at Joonas place (required by law).

Every member has a vote, not just the board members.

Humanisticum general meeting (in two weeks probs) - we have a right to sign as Orbis. We will vote on Joonas signing up Orbis. We approved of that.

9. Closing of the Meeting

The meeting was closed at 19:20.

Chair of the meeting _____ / Joonas Åkerblom

Secretary of the meeting _____ / Julie Ricarova

Minute checkers of the meeting

_____ / Miina Noroila

_____ / Sara Hietala