

## Minutes Annual general meeting PhD Council 2018

Thursday 6 December at 1830-1900 in Spiserummet, Domus Academica

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**Present:** Nils Gunnar Skretting, Ingrid Birgitte Lund, Hanna Ahlström, Luca Tusoni, Gunnhild Storbekkrønning Solli, Henriette N. Tøssebro, Erlend Eriksen Gjein, Emma Hynes Brandon, Rosa Manzo, Nicola Claire Strain, Laura Letourneau-Tremblay, Astrid Iversen, Natalia Torres Zuniga, Maïmouna Lise Pouye Rabatel-Fernel, Daniel Arnesson, Anna Andersson, Ludovica Chiussi, Domenico Zipoli, Samson Yoseph Esayas, Runar Hilleren Lie, Jørgen Sjørgard Skjold, Birgit Hellesnes, Sjur Swensen Ellingsæter, Alf-Petter Høgberg

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- a) The Annual general meeting was officially opened by Nils Gunnar Skretting.
- b) Election of Nils Gunnar Skretting as chair and Hanna Ahlström as secretary of the annual general meeting.
- c) The year that has passed:
  - (i) The Annual report of the PhD Council was presented by Nils Gunnar Skretting.
  - (ii) The PhD Council's report for the previous financial year was presented by Hanna Ahlström.
  - (iii) Reports from the Faculty committees was presented by Gunnhild Storbekkrønning Solli (LiMU), Ingrid Birgitte Lund (PFF), Hanna Ahlström (IVA) and Nils Gunnar Skretting (Faculty Board)
- d) The matters referred to the annual general meeting by the PhD Council of 2018:

The PhD Council of 2018 have made the effort to prepare for the improvement of the constitutional process of the PhD Council. The PhD Council of 2018 proposes that the PhD council of 2019 must revise the statutes<sup>1</sup> and the reasons are the following:

- (i) There is a decreased number of PhD candidates working at the Faculty of Law meaning that it will not be possible to include representatives from every institute at the Faculty<sup>2</sup> (ref. §2.1 in the statutes).
- (ii) It is custom to elect the central positions in a board of an organization at the annual general meeting (proposed revisions of §2.2-3 in the statutes).

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<sup>1</sup> Suggested changes in the statutes can be found in the appendix attached (In Norwegian).

<sup>2</sup> It will be necessary to have a rule of flexible numbers of members of the PhD Council.



- (iii) The PhD Council of 2018 experienced unfortunate tensions during the constitutional process at the constitutional meeting and the process should be better facilitated.

The annual general meeting vote in line with the PhD Council's proposal, the decision was unanimously adopted.

Prior to the annual general meeting, the candidates that were interested in joining the PhD Council was presented in an email sent out to all PhD Candidates and Post-doctoral researchers at the Faculty of Law on 4 December 2018. The election of the PhD Council of 2019 proceeded and was structured in two steps:

- 1) The election of all members to the PhD Council of 2019. The PhD Council of 2018 had nominated the following candidates:
- Astrid Iversen, Department of Private Law
  - Nicola Clair Strain, PluriCourts
  - Johan Wibye, Department of Public and International Law
  - Runar Hilleren Lie, PluriCourts
  - Jørgen Sørgard Skjold, Department of Public and International Law
  - Birgit Hellesnes, Department of Public and International Law

The annual general meeting vote in line with the PhD Council's proposal, the decision was unanimously adopted.

- 2) The election of the central positions of chair, secretary and treasurer. The PhD Council had nominated Astrid Iversen as chair, Nicola Clair Strain as secretary and Runar Hilleren Lie as treasurer.

The annual general meeting voted in line with the PhD Council's proposal. The tentative decision was unanimously adopted.

The PhD Council of 2018 acknowledge that since the statutes are not yet revised, this election is formally only advisory. However, the PhD Council of 2018 expect that the PhD Council of 2019 will follow the result of the election.

- e) The annual general meeting suggested that the election of the committee representatives to the PhD Council of 2019 should be elected at the constitutional meeting. This may however be changed in the future and the next council could choose to include this election in the election process of the PhD Council at the annual general meeting when revising the statutes.



However, the Faculty Board election procedures implied that the annual general meeting had to elect the representative to the Faculty Board. The PhD Council proposed to nominate Astrid Iversen given her role as chair of the next Council. The proposal was unanimously approved by the annual general meeting. The substitutes were also elected in an informal process after the annual general meeting and here Jørgen Sjørgard Skjold was elected as substitute 1 and Johan Wibye as substitute 2.

- f) The election of the PhD Council of 2019 is pursuant to §2.2 of the statutes for an individual term of office of one year and affiliated Faculty committee representation.
- g) No cases had been submitted in line with §4.2 by PhD Candidates or Post-doctoral researchers to the PhD Council prior to the annual general meeting that could have been decisive. However, during the meeting it was suggested that the PhD Council of 2019 should proceed with the process of (i) making the PhD Council a formal body to the Faculty of Law<sup>3</sup> and (ii) formally include post-doctoral researchers.
- h) The annual general meeting was officially closed by Nils Gunnar Skretting.

Oslo, 10.12.2018

Nils Gunnar Skretting

Hanna Ahlström



Chair

Secretary

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<sup>3</sup> Alf-Petter Høgberg suggested that the PhD Council should send in an application to PFF.



## Appendix

### Statutter for Stipendiatrådet ved Det juridiske fakultet, Universitetet i Oslo

#### 1. Formål

Stipendiatrådet skal fungere som et talerør for stipendiatene ved Det juridiske fakultet, Universitetet i Oslo.

Rådet skal fremme synspunkter og problemstillinger som er aktuelle for stipendiatene, gjennom ulike representantposisjoner i fakultetets og instituttens organer. Rådet skal også formidle informasjon fra disse organene til stipendiatene.

Rådet skal slik fylle en tillitsvalgtfunksjon for stipendiatene på tvers av fagområder og institutter, og samtidig bidra til å forbedre kommunikasjonen mellom stipendiatene og fakultetsorganene.

#### 2. Rådets sammensetning

~~Om mulig skal rådet~~ Rådet skal bestå av fem medlemmer som representerer fakultetets institutter og senter, slik at hvert institutt og senter er representert med ett medlem.

Medlemmene velges ved ~~e-postvalg~~allmøtet i ~~desember~~ juni hvert år. Som valgt anses den som får flest stemmer. De valgte medlemmenes funksjonstid er ett år.

Rådet konstituerer seg selv på første rådsmøte etter valget ~~men de sentrale funksjonene~~. ~~Av Rådets medlemmer skal det være én leder~~lederen og én sekretær ~~skal velges under allmøtet~~. ~~Vervene som stipendiatenes representant i Programrådet for forskerutdanning og i Fakultetsstyret fordeles på leder og sekretær~~. Det er et mål at Rådet har nært samarbeid med representanter som bekler verv for midlertidig ansatte i alle fakultetets råd og utvalg. Der representanten er stipendiat, er det et mål at representanten også er medlem av Rådet.

#### 3. Rådets møter

Stipendiatrådet avholder møter etter behov. Som hovedregel avholdes møte én gang i måneden i vår- og høstsemesteret.

#### 4. Allmøtet

I ~~desember~~ juni hvert år avholdes allmøte for fakultetets stipendiater, hvor Rådets arbeid presenteres. Allmøtet etterfølges av et sosialt arrangement.

For øvrig avholdes allmøte når dette kreves av minst tre av stipendiatrådets medlemmer eller minst 2/3 av stipendiatene. I begge tilfeller skal stipendiatrådet kalle inn til allmøte som avholdes i løpet av fire uker etter at krav om allmøte er fremsatt.



Senest tre uker før allmøtet skal stipendiatrådet sende innkalling til møtet. Innkallingen sendes stipendiatene per e-post med varsel om at saker som ønskes forelagt allmøtet til vedtagelse etter pkt. 4.2, må sendes inn til stipendiatrådet senest to uker før allmøtet. Dersom stipendiatrådet mottar saker som nevnt, skal Rådet sende ut en endret saksliste senest én uke før allmøtet.

#### **5. Referat mv.**

Rådets sekretær fører referat og sender referat fra rådets møter og allmøter til stipendiatene. Representanter som også sitter i fakultetets øvrige organer, skal i rådsmøtene informere om aktuelle saker.



