

Notice of SAPU meeting – 23.09.2021

Meeting time (CET): 17:30

Place: Auditorium 6, Eilert Sund building A

Attending: Malene Melbye, Stine Myrah, Jake Ference, Loraine Vlasblom, Hannah Sofie Fransson, Anna Pauline Forsmark, Tatjana Marie Werdal Lavoutas, Magnus Olav Nyaas Ravnå, Elias Strand

Agenda

1. Approval of notice and minute of meetings

Approved

2. Report from all positions

2.1 Financial responsible

Not here, but have sorted the issues from last time. We are applying for funds, and have made a plan and added money

2.2 Communication responsible

MA: Will discuss issues later in meeting

BA: Same as MA

2.3 Communication Responsible for International Students

Nothing to report

2.4 Program Council representatives

Still waiting to meet

2.5 Department Board representatives

Discussed issues especially relevant in terms of further questions.

2.6 SVSU representative

Representative chosen: Tatjana Marie Werdal Lavoutas

2.7 Study activity responsible

Reading groups have done well- half of the people responding showing up, which is good.

Pizza nights would be good, possibility of full-time, so both morning and evening certain days - but will need someone to help Jake with that.

SAPU member social needs to happen still.

Second year MAs presenting research as an idea - putting ideas together in relation to MA work nights.

Watch-parties and seminars later in the semester - we should be there to support.

2.8 SoMe

Many things have been posted - Instagram is not that active, but still doing ok. If anyone has suggestions as to what to post - contact Elias. Would like to do another SAPU highlight of the current board on Instagram.

2.9 SAF

Next meeting

3. 17th of May/18th - no exam dates

- Loraine will take it further

4. SVSU - any updates?

- Chosen at this meeting

5. Class presentations

- Stine has made presentation - people can use it in their anthroclasses to get people involved
- Translate into Norwegian for bachelor level
- Goal to do it before november

6. Student cases - Kristoffer

6.1. Lecturer in SOSANT1000 not wanting questions/emails etc.

- Send out email to explain why, give context as this will help the students understanding the situation at hand
- Email department to make clear the reasoning so that we don't misinform
- Create a discussion forum so that people can get answers?
- Kristoffer sent points on Sosant2510: powerpoint being used difficult to follow - needs someone to look over?
- All points to be discussed with Kenneth on Friday 1st of October

7. Academic activity wanted by Kenneth - inviting academic/anthropologist to discuss their fieldwork

Øivind Jaer - anthropologist that has done research in a village in India - wanting to get students to continue his project, build on research that already exists. Brought in by Fredrik Barth. Supervisor for Thomas Hylland Eriksen. Both for MA and BA - discussion on when and where this will be presented.

SAPU will be representing this: Approved

8. Needing representative for meeting 24.september 14:15-15:30

8.1. In regards to proper reading space during construction at Eilert Sund - at

Harriet Holters Hus, 101, 14:15 - 15:30: Tatjana will go

9. Needing a representative for debate

- Which is the best discipline?
- Stine Myrah will represent if in english

10. Case concerning new laws on the number of sensorer and funds related to this

- Relating to funds surrounding sensorer
- Wanting a general meeting with students - what do you want

- Pass/Fail instead of A-F in certain subjects?
- Talk to Kenneth about this: meeting on friday the 1st of October.

- Find solution for long term - fall 2022 being deadline
- UIO is framing it as being a big issue, but this is something we question, as we have heard of other universities already using it (Nord, Bergen being examples of already having it implemented).
- We can join on deciding where the funds should come from when we meet with Kenneth

11. Any other matters

11.1. ANTH4030, 4020:

- We know what is happening behind the scenes, but this does still not excuse what has been happening.
- Course pages badly designed - told to check canvas, but often contradictory or missing. Details are often missing or wrong.

There is little to no information about things. Being told "It is clearly stated" when it is not does not help. Examples of not very polite and passive aggressive language being used when

questions have been asked in class - this can be found on

recordings from these lectures.

- Monograph group not making sense. We don't know what we are presenting, contradictory statements. When looking at the difference between 4030/20 and 4010 one can clearly see the issue.
- Has to be solved in a polite way. Delegate. Give proper information.
- 4030: Mini-fieldwork not on UIO page, but still mandatory.
- Recording of lectures: take it up with Kenneth. Jake has emailed professors, but we still need to sort it on a higher level.
- All in favour of sorting a meeting with Kenneth.

11.2. Anthropology breakfast

- Jake will make this work, but still in planning stage

11.3. ASA:

Board of students and anthropologists from different institutions talking about their studies, institutes, etc.

Contact Elias if you want to join? Biggest anthropologist of Norway in the group. Does not function properly yet - but could be developed.

11.4. T -shirts

- Making a contest on Instagram, winner gets a t-shirt with the chosen quote "Anyone who is not a complete idiot can do fieldwork" - Evans Pritchard. Malene and Vanja (and generally anyone on SAPU) gets t-shirts as they came up with the idea.

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Deputy Chairman/Secretary

Malene Melbye