

## **Meeting minutes, DS General Assembly #VT16, 2016-06-07**

**Time:** 12.00-13.00

**Place:** HA1, Hörsalsvägen 4, Johanneberg

### **Point on the agenda**

#### **§ Opening of meeting**

Oskar Thulin opens the meeting

#### **§ Election of meeting officials**

Oskar Thulin is elected chair of the meeting.

Elected secretary is Sankar Menon.

Ragnar Larusson and Linnea Qvirist are elected to adopt the meeting minutes.

#### **§ Approval of electoral register**

Oskar explains the voting system and gives out the forms.

#### **§ Approval of agenda**

General assembly (GA) approves the agenda.

#### **§ Meeting notice in due order**

GA agrees meeting notice is in due order.

#### **§ Minutes from previous meeting**

GA approves the GA meetings.

#### **§ Election DS board 2016/17**

The nomination committee representative Ragnar Larusson presents himself to GA and explains the process regarding the election.

Nominated DS Chair is Linnea Qvirist.

Nominated Vice Chair is Maria Ekström.

No competing candidates are nominated by the GA for the two above mentioned positions. The GA elects the nominated chair and vice chair for next activity year (2016 July /2017 June).

Ragnar presents nomination from all departments. No other nominees came up. The GA elects the nominated board members.

The GA also elects Amizresa Mohagvar as auditor for one additional year.

#### **§ Reports on current activities**

Oskar presents DS Board current activities. The DS board works to represent the PhD students in various committees around Chalmers. These activities are on a continuous basis and is more reactive in its nature. The DS board is also working to make use of the understanding gained from being a representative to also be more proactive in proposing new activities. Here are some that DS have been focusing on lately.

Doctoral Student Portal was proposed to Chalmers in the autumn. It is meant to serve as one IT platform and information database. Students should be able to register for courses and have their individual study plan on the platform. Personal study records and study certificate is also proposed to be included. Chalmers has now said that they will start working on the project. A smaller implementation will take place first, which the DS board hopes to be continued by a more extensive implementation covering all of the topics proposed in the proposal.

Oskar informs about the Chalmers Employee Survey and the success regarding PhD student specific

questions. The DS board was able to include questions specific to the PhD students. The aim is to make Chalmers more attentive to PhD student conditions.

Oskar presents information about the saved vacation days to clear out misconceptions that exist in the Chalmers organisation. The days left after the PhD program should be paid out as long as the collective agreement has been followed.

Oskar informs the GA that the DS board is very happy with the work of the doktorandombud, Moyra McDill, who has now been employed for 6 months. If anyone has feedback to the DS board or/and Moyra McDill about this position please talk to the board.

**§ Other issues**

No other questions were raised.

**§ Closing of the meeting**

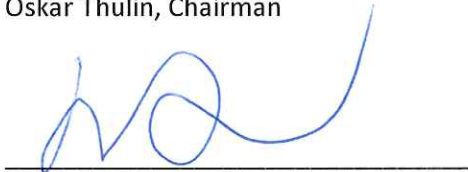
Oskar closes the meeting



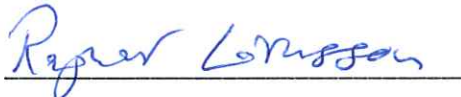
Oskar Thulin, Chairman



Sankar Menon, Secretary



Linnea Qvirist, Adopt the minutes



Ragnar Larusson, Adopt the minutes