

Minutes for Subject Area Team Games meeting

23 November 2021 at 14.15-15.15

Participants

- Martin Pichlmair
- Paolo Burelli
- Hanna Wirman
- Lani Alayne Feldstedt
- Annamaya Halskov-Jensen
- Hajo Backe
- Eva Hauerslev
- Trine Møller (absent)

Agenda

1. Approval of agenda

Agenda approved.

2. Approval of minutes from meeting 5 October 2021

Minutes approved.

3. Information

Study Board

Meeting took place yesterday. Talked about online thesis exams, academic quarter (not an official point), and student satisfaction.

Health and Safety Board

The Board has addressed the issue of rising corona incidents and the upcoming written exams on premises. The board is asking ITU Management for a clear policy of handling these kind of exams.

SAT agreed that Games have no big issues regarding exams this winter.

Events

Winter Games will happen. Hajo is planning it right now and it will take place in January.

Students

Nothing new.

Study Career and Guidance

Trine will soon start to plan the Career workshops for Games that will take place in spring. Trine will contact Martin and Hanna in this regard but if any student rep would like to give feedback too and/or have ideas for the workshops you are more than welcome to get in touch with Trine.

4. Academic Quarter

SAT Business would like to throw out a feeler for the following item:

At ITU there is currently a tradition (not a rule, but a practice) of finishing classes ten minutes before the scheduled end time, but a teacher has suggested changing this practice and instead apply the academic quarter to ITU. The academic quarter is a tradition widely known at other Danish universities and consist of a fifteen minute “buffer” in the beginning of a schedule lecture. In practice this means that lectures are scheduled for 8.00 or 10.00, but does not begin until fifteen minutes past.

Note that this is not a decision item, and it is so far not on a Study Board agenda.

Comments

- Students here are very punctual compared to what I’m used to. Will it change the culture to be sloppier?
- The issue is bigger in the main building – for us, in EHK, it does not make a difference as we basically have the rooms to ourselves.
- Does it make a difference? It still takes time away from my teaching.
- But it is a solution that everybody knows so it might be easier to communicate and act on
- In my old university, classes where scheduled in 45 minutes and not 60 minutes – then you would always have a buffer to get to the new place.
- It could make a difference psychologically – it is easier to have people come in later and start later but it is difficult to end a class in the middle of a discussion/slide because of a non-rule.
- It is one of those quirks that ITU does that nobody else does – it is actually kind of nice but this is the only good argument I can find.

SAT Games decided to support an official discussion of the academic quarter.

5. DADIU

How can we make the DADIU experience better for our students? This year, it is again not a great experience for our students.

SAT discussed the issues with DADIU, how DADIU has handled them, and how to go about them on our side. Martin will bring the feedback to the next coordination group meeting, and he will also collect feedback from all the ITU students on DADIU this year when exams are done.

SAT decided to discuss the item again in January.

6. AOB

Election for ITU boards is happening now. Five candidates are running for the SAT Games.