

Agenda from Subject Area Team Games meeting

27 May 2020 at 14.00 via Zoom

Participants

- Trine Møller
- Mads Kjeldgaard Caspersen
- Eva Hauerslev
- Hajo Backe
- Martin Pichlmair
- Jonathan Jung Johansen
- Alberto Giudice

Absent

- Mike Hyslop Graham
- Paolo Burelli
- Sebastian Risi

Agenda

1. Approval of agenda

Agenda approved after a round of presentations as this is his first meeting. Mads will cover for Trine, while she is on maternity leave.

2. Approval of minutes from meeting 29 April 2020

Minutes approved.

3. Information

- Study and Career Guidance
 - They hosted some online events the past couple of weeks – e.g. on exam preparation. Next week will be a career fair – see the events at itustudent. Maybe two Games companies will join. Trine will ask Carina to forward the names to Martin of the companies.
 - Supervisors can nominate thesis students for thesis talks. Mads will handle the event. Trine will send a reminder again mid-June.
 - Graduation event will be online via Zoom. The event will be June 26.
- Study Board
 - Online guidelines were approved but with suggestions for changes to the wording
 - Discussion on how and if the course evaluation results can be used this semester
 - Diversity officer: it has been acknowledged that we need a specific person for handling diversity issues.
- Events
 - Nordic Game conference does an online thing this weekend – but it costs money.
- Students
 - Nothing new from the students' side. Students are deep down into exams.
- Other
 - Access to the ITU building for students 2nd June. This is the only date. For staff on 3 June.

- Draft for guidelines for opening of the building in fall will come later this week – should we discuss it in a short meeting or do it via email?
 - We will do it over email. Students will not have time, but teachers will.
- Employers' Panel: Martin and Eva are looking at the composition of the panel at the moment.
- Question about complaint processes – are the processes longer at the moment?
 - Not necessarily – it should work as normal. Sometimes complaints must be sent to the Ministry and that takes longer – then students will be informed. Students can try to reach out to SAP front or the Study and Career Guidance.

4. Summer Games

It will be an online event on the 18th of June. It will be a four-hour event with projects and external guests, who will give feedback to the projects.

Martin will be in the ITU building on the day to have a good internet connection.

Questions

- Should the career guidance share it with alumni and companies?
 - Yes, please do so. The website is ready next week.
 - Could we know who you invite so we do not double invite?
 - Yes definitely.
- Could we include an award or reward?
 - Not sure about the competitive edge. The reward should rather be – in the best of all worlds – a nice email from your favourite company when you are done studying with a job offer.
 - It is more of a showcase event, where you can also show the weird stuff or bad but fun stuff. We could introduce it internally – e.g. a game of the year award; something we cannot do when grading. We should discuss that later but do not think it is suitable for this event.
 - Good idea to have a competition or the like internally – just focusing on the games. Would be great to be able to put in the cv too.

SAT agreed to talk about an internal competition in the fall.

5. DADIU

The following question came up when discussing the external report at the last meeting: Should we replace DADIU with something more streamlined?

DADIU should run in 2021 too – after that we do not know what will happen. We also do not know how it will go about in the fall 2020 due to the corona situation.

Comments

- We can do something more ad hoc in-house and open it up to one place – but then we could just open it up for more as it does not make a big difference; coordinating with one or more is not that much different. And then we are back to DADIU again. Our best short-term perspective would probably be to support DADIU.
- I like that we are the disruptive and they are the conservative. If we would create something it would be disruptive.

- We will not have the money to run something good as maybe AAU would have. As long as it works, we probably should support it.
- From students' perspective, it is a hyped opportunity. If we were to do something different it really would have to be promoted – the image will be difficult to regain.

SAT agreed that we structure better how to work with DADIU but continue to support it. And let us see what happens in two years.

6. Diversity + admission stuff from Mike

Thank you to Mike for the thorough look at the website. The SAT discussed the email that was sent to SAT.

Martin and the coordinator will look at the admission pages – the information should of course be the same on the two sites and better presented. Another task would be to get rid of the lists if possible.

Other diversity issues

- Martin is thinking about including more about the topic in the Making Games class. Write Martin an email for ideas.
- One of the flags in the external report is really how we collect data (in the report). When talking to people they do not feel that underinformed as they hear about it e.g. in the introduction week. Maybe it would be better to give some of the information in the middle or end of the semester, when there is less information overload. The issue might not be as drastic as the report shows.
- Next semester, the Study and Career Guidance will work on spreading the information sessions out and not include everything in the Introduction Days. Susan will get in touch with teachers in the first semester if relevant.
- An interesting thing from the report is to make diversity a part of the programmes – not something to think about. We have tried to do that but maybe not very visible and it should be more visible.

13. AOB

Nothing.