

Agenda: Board of the Student Union

Date: 2024-07-23

Place: Kansliet

Time: 18:04 - 20:16

1. Meetings opening

The meeting opened at 18:04

2. Vote for meeting chairman

The board chose Melissa Ferm as meeting chairman.

3. Vote for secretary

The board chose David Bengtsson as secretary.

4. Vote for adjuster

The board chose Mie Unenge as adjuster.

5. Attendance and voting rights.

The board confirms the attendance list with the following attendance:

Role	Name	Replacement
Chairman	Melissa Ferm	
Vice chairman	Mie Unenge	
Treasurer	David Bengtsson	
Intro general	Caroline Wibjörk	
Labour market officer	Vacant	
Event officer	Samantha Stankounas	
Info Chairman	Paulina Sjödin	
Marketing officer	Martin Lindgren	
Chairman SköSex	Johanna Janson	
Chairman Safir	Philip Petterson	
Chairman Skills	David Bengtsson	
Chairman Vitae	Sophia Oliva	
Chairman SköSjuk	Sofia Redman	
Chairman ESS	Vacant	

7 of 12 members of the board were in attendance.

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8i. Chairman SköSex

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8j. Chairman Safir

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8k. Chairman Skills

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8l. Chairman Vitae

8m. Chairman SköSjuk

8n. Chairman ESS

9. Per Capsulam decision

No Per Capsulam decisions were taken since the last meeting.

10. Decision Points

No decision points for this meeting.

11. Discussion Points

11a. Alcohol policy

Background: We have gotten too strict with our policy, meaning that by being too strict we are instead breaking it. We need to loosen some of our rules, for example marketing of alcohol.

Discussion: Melissa has been working on some proposals that she thinks will benefit the sections and SköSex. In recent years, the sections have been very restrictive with their use of alcohol imagery in their marketing, to the degree where it's been considered completely prohibited. The proposal is to loosen this attitude. Previous discussions have hinted at this being the general consensus, as long as the union is thorough with marketing alcohol free alternatives as well.

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Simon explains that SiS currently has no proper way of handling this in our bylaws. One alternative is that HisTek as a standalone organisation is simply laid to rest, and ESS would be renamed to HisTek. This would necessitate an election of a new board.

The other alternative is to rewrite the vast majority of HisTek's bylaws to facilitate them joining. Currently they are beholden to not joining any other student organisation. Should they join, they could have their own bylaws (separate from the other sections). This could prove useful to them, as they have aspirations to reopen the Histek bar. This could however blur the lines between the sections and SköSex, which might cause some issues.

The goal is to have an agreement before the intro so that we can work towards it during the autumn, and the coming boards will be aware of the plans already in the works. It will be difficult to act as if they are already joining before a proper annual meeting decision is made, however. Either part needs to have the ability to withdraw, and this needs to be taken into account when making a potential unification plan.

Mie thinks it would be weird to write in HisTek as a section if they also want to have a bar. She thinks it would be easier to have HisTek as a standalone entity within SiS that has its own bylaws, as opposed to being categorised as either Sexmästeri or a section.

Johanna notes that SköSex and HisTek already have an agreement from back when HisTek had a bar of their own. SköSex would like to renew this agreement when it becomes relevant again, and HisTek has agreed that it would be good. She also notes that all of this (HisTek joining and getting a bar again) is some ways off in the future, and that any decision would have to pass through the annual meeting, giving ample time to prepare.

Caroline left the meeting 18.45

Philip notes that a name change isn't necessary, and wonders if it's reasonable to expect a HisTek bar in the near future. Simon notes that they have actively been looking for a location for four years, so it's difficult to say.

In the past, HisTek has expressed concerns regarding the student union bylaws being too restrictive, and would like to have everything agreed on and written into the bylaws in advance so that they don't join and can't keep up their usual business. He also responds to Mie, saying that HisTek's bylaws contain a lot of their history, and simply removing parts of their bylaws would erase a lot of what they wish to keep.

Samantha explains that HisTek has no intentions of competing with SköSex, and would primarily work with other things like preparties and after works. She also notes that HisTek intends to rewrite their bylaws to facilitate cooperation.

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Regarding the HisTek bulletin board in the G-building, everyone agrees that HisTek can keep their current one without any trouble.

The "Absolute HisTek" branding is currently visible on the bulletin board, on the board hoodies among other things. The meeting sees no issue with them keeping this branding.

Before joining HisTek, one has to be a "kulting", which involves helping out with events before actually joining officially, similar to aspirants in SköSex. Should they keep this structure after possibly joining, we'd need to rewrite the bylaws for the union (sections?) to allow it.

How do we continue working with this?

- Start writing a proposition for unification for the Grand assemblies of SiS and HisTek. All alternatives must be handled in this proposition, similar to the recent proposition about the mandate period changes.
- Make a plan for how ESS and HisTek finances should be handled during the unification period. Membership money, ovve sales and so on.
- Make a plan for how the unification should happen, regarding the election of a board/mandate period of the current board during the time of unification.

Melissa says that the most likely proposal will be that HisTek will join as a new kind of entity within the union, and that both organisations will have to rewrite their bylaws.

Simon notes that HisTek, were they to be a separate kind of entity, they would keep their capital from their time as a separate organisation. We'd have to rewrite the bylaws so that they keep their positive result, just like the current sections.

Paulina expresses concern regarding the constant mention of HisTek possibly leaving a few years after joining and wonders if this is planned to be a temporary unification. Melissa clarifies that it's merely to address concerns, and that the plan being discussed is that they are to join permanently.

David says that SiS needs to have a proper plan for how to handle the unification of finances, specifically regarding which budget year they join, and if we go off of ESS' or HisTek's memberships. Paulina doesn't think this is a pressing concern as it will need to go through two grand assemblies.

HisTek joining the union will have to be approved at two grand assemblies. Until then, the student union cannot act as if HisTek will be joining until it is already approved. The bylaws don't prevent this from being an extra grand assembly. The Student Union Board will discuss a possible time plan at a future date.

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