Minutes for Ilisimatusarfiks Board Meeting

June 28th, 2020 10am (Greenland time)

Microsoft Teams meeting

Participants: Minik Rosing, Karo Thomsen Fleischer, Anne Marie Pahuus, Malik Hegelund Olsen, Malan Marnersdóttir, Flemming Nielsen, Mariia Simonsen, Bolethe Olsen, Ross Virginia, Rikke Østergaard, Ane Møller, Gitte Adler Reimer, Henriette Rosing, Bo Colbe (for point 6), Johanne B. Tobiassen og Clement S. Sonne-Schmidt.

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# Recurring points

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| 1 | Approval of the agenda | *Approved* |
| 2 | Disqualification form | *No issues* |
| 3 | Approval of the minutes from the last meeting | *Approved* |
| 4 | Messages from the chairman | *The board has been mandated to function till August 1st, so the accounts can officially be approved by the current board.*  *The university is praised for how it handled the corona-situation.*  *In the boards term of office there has been much progress. Of special notice is Greenland Science Week and the PhD-students presenting their projects, which concretely shows the positive development.*  *This will be this boards last meeting. Rikke, Malan and Ross will however continue in the new board.* |
| 5 | Messages from rector  Information from the different committee and council meetings can be found here when ready:  Intranet🡪Personale🡪Referater, høringssvar etc.  <https://intranet.uni.gl/personale/referater-hoeringssvar-etc.aspx> | *Gitte presents the messages attached to the agenda.*  *- There is a great lack of Greenlandic language teachers, not only at the university but also at the high schools.*  *- It works well for rector to have two office days at Ilinniarfissuaq. It improves cooperation.*  *- The Self-Government has been asked, whether we can renegotiate our employment structure, since we with our current structure are not allowed to hire “profession teachers” (teachers with only a bachelor’s degree, but with practical experience). This has proven to be a challenge, especially for the educations that are more practical.*  *- Our latest graduation went well despite limits to the number of participants because of Covid-19. Livestreaming the event went well with many viewers watching online.*  *The budget will be sent to the board for online approval.* |
| 6 | Economy  Auditor Bo Colbe is invited to the meeting at 10:30am  For apporval by the board:  - Accounting statement  - Audit protocol  - Accounts for 2019 | *Auditor Bo Colbe presents the accounts for 2019.*  *- The Self-government has started using a new account plan which is why the accounts look different.*  *- There is in 2019 overspending in the amount of 2,1m DKK.*  *- This is not optimal, but neither is its unexpected in an institution the size of Ilisimatusarfik. With the amount the university can transfer from year to year being 7,5m you could interpret this as the amount, the Self-government can accept as fluctuation.*  *- There are no notes on the accounts, and the accounting department has done good work in identifying and adjusting any errors.*  *Malik asks whether there is better information now on the externally financed projects.*  *- It is a work in progress but with a better overview now.*  *Mariia asks whether the new account plan gives better information for example when it comes to identifying the costs of students.*  *- It should, but not when it comes to the numbers that does not change with number of users like building costs.*  *The accounts will be sent for digital approval.* |

# Old business

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| 7 | Development contract  Inputs to the contract from the board are to be sent to the Self-Government.  There is a small change to the first point, from what was sent by mail, where there was a wish for it to be more precise | *There are a few suggested changes to the contract.*  *- No changes for the first point.*  *- For point 2 is added “especially Greenlandic language teachers”.*  *- Furthermore, the next board should consider spearheading a national strategy to secure teaching in and development of Greenlandic.*  *- For point 3 should be added something on evaluating quality of new teachers so it does not just become a question of how many.*  *- For point 4 it should concern improving all the social science educations to master level.*  *- For point 5 the measure should be whether all educations are gathered at one place.*  *Clement will send out a new document for the board’s approval.* |

# New business

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| 8 | Campus expansion  Attached is a paper explaining the vision for the expansion.  The document is made by the work group for Ilimmarfik Phase II | *The sitting board will not decide on the plans for expanding campus, since it will be up to the next board to work on and for this.*  *The document is however seen as a good description of the vision of the Research Park that was the original idea for Campus Ilimmarfik.* |
| 9 | Magna Charter Universitatum  Ilisimatusarfik is in the progress of applying for being a signatory of a document called Magna Charter Universitatum.  It is a document signed by many different universities in support of institutional autonomy and freedom of research. The application is attached.  More information here:  <http://www.magna-charta.org/>  For the application there needs to be minutes from the board approving of the application. | *The board approves the application.*  *We should keep in mind, to make sure that the large European universities include Ilisimatusarfik in their cooperation.* |

# For your information

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# In closing

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| 10 | Evt. | *Malik mentions that there are minutes that needs to be signed.*  *- Clement will follow up.*  *Rikke mentions an online workshop arranged by Harvard, which Gitte also participated in. It was a great success and should be used for inspiration going forward.*  *- Gitte mentions that the different education departments have been asked to think about if they could offer similar online workshops.*  *We thank the board for their work and cooperation and wish the members who continue good luck going forward.* |