



# Minutes for Ilisimatusarfiks Board Meeting

December 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 12am (Greenland time)

Rektors Conference Room, Ilimmarfik and Teams

Present: Suzanne Møller, Lars Demant-Poort, Svend Hardenberg, Rikke Østergaard, Ross Virginia, Randi Vestergaard Evaldsen, Jens Erik Kirkegaard, Silke Reeploeg, Johanne B. Tobiassen, Gitte Adler Reimer, Henriette Rosing, Clement S. Sonne-Schmidt (taking minutes).

Not present: Malan Marnirsdóttir, Karsten Høy

Agenda point	Agenda	Minutes
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## Recurring points

1	<u>Approval of the agenda</u>	<i>The order of items 7-9 is changed. Point 8 is discussed first, then point 9, then point 7. Point 11 is discussed after the economy.</i>  <i>Approved</i>
2	<u>Disqualification form</u> According to the boards' rules of procedure the board members have a duty to inform the board on any issues that might disqualify them from participating on certain issues on the agenda.	<i>None</i>
3	<u>Approval of the minutes from the last meeting</u>  All previous minutes can be found here <a href="https://da.uni.gl/om-os/bestyrelse/referater.aspx">https://da.uni.gl/om-os/bestyrelse/referater.aspx</a>	<i>Approved</i> <i>The minutes are collected and signed for the next physical meeting.</i>
4	<u>Messages from the chairman</u>	<i>For the working group's meeting with Carl on the development contract, there was agreement on the goals, but not on the finances. - Carl offered to prepare a more concrete draft contract. Taken up at the point. - A 2-day physical board meeting is aimed for April 2021.</i>
5	<u>Messages from the rector</u> The board can always follow the university's work through the minutes	<i>Gitte reviews a PowerPoint with messages. - There has been writing in the press from students from economy about the desire for a master's degree.</i>



	<p>from the various councils, committees and bodies available here when they are ready:</p> <p>Intranet→Personale→Referater, høringsvar etc.  <a href="https://intranet.uni.gl/personale/referater-hoeringsvar-etc.aspx">https://intranet.uni.gl/personale/referater-hoeringsvar-etc.aspx</a></p>	<p>- It is very positive that there are students who want further education, however, it is currently not likely that we can financially offer master degrees for all our educations.</p> <p>- However, other options are being explored, for example by offering year after year according to where the need is greatest.</p> <p>- In addition, the greatest need for a masters is seen as being for the teacher education.</p> <p>Gitte sits on a working group at the department working with positions, continuing education and competence requirements for higher education.</p> <p>We are working with Carl (IKIN) on a career contract to ensure that master's students complete their education if they are hired while studying.</p> <p>Ilisimatusarfik sees many positive intentions in the new national research strategy that is being prepared.</p> <p>- Among other things. ethical guidelines for research and support for the campus expansion.</p> <p>The board has been asked about the use of guest teachers from the community.</p> <p>- Many teachers from the community are used in all departments.</p> <p>- Sometimes, however, some are deliberately not used in order to use them as censors instead.</p> <p>There have also been inquiries about local anchoring of PhD students.</p> <p>- This is something that the Research Council has increased focus on.</p> <p>- It is also a focus for Ilisimatusarfik's own adjuncts in PhD courses.</p> <p>There is a greater focus than before on disseminating research to society through Ilisimatusaat and podcasts.</p> <p>- However, there is still a problem with the media only wanting to interview Greenlandic-speaking researchers, so many researchers are interviewed about areas that are not their main research area.</p> <p>Henriette briefly reviews the status of buildings.</p> <p>- Overall, the challenges are at Ilinniarfissuaq, and to a relatively low degree at Ilimmarfik.</p>
6	<p><u>Economy</u>                  Attached are follow up on budgets for each institute.</p>	<p>At the request of a more detailed account, Johanne informs that for this meeting there have been challenges in accessing information about the finances from management information.</p> <p>- Therefore, the information for this meeting has not been as detailed as usual.</p> <p>Gitte wants the 1% pool not to be offered this year, but that PhD students can instead apply for research funding.</p> <p>- This is approved.</p>



## Old business

7	<p><u>Update on the work with the development contract</u> Attached are the minutes from the meeting between the work group and Carl Bøggild</p>	<p>There were questions about the stated 100% for bachelor students and 200% for master students. - This is meant so that master student must count more in the development contract than bachelor students.</p> <p>Concern is expressed about the quantitative focus of the contract. There should be a greater focus on the qualitative. As the ministry has worked a lot with quality assurance, this may also be appealing on their part.</p> <p>Overall, there is no change in the need to introduce a development contract. It must be the task of the board to ensure that there is the largest possible room for maneuver in the contract.</p> <p>Suzanne suggests that a concrete change may be that the contract runs from 2021-2028 instead of just until 2027. Thereby, it will be able to run over 2 board periods. - In addition, a more concrete document must be made to be considered. - In addition, there could possibly be an increased focus on obtaining external research funding. - This will also be an advantage, as the accounting department is making the existing research funds more visible. - It is also pointed out again that one must be careful when comparing Ilisimatusarfik with the much larger, Danish universities. - The Board sees the proposed percentages as high</p> <p>The working group will be mandated to continue working on the above proposals.</p>
8	<p><u>Draft of the new statute</u> Attached is a draft/suggestion for the new statute. In red are the inserts, either from the former statute or from the boards' suggestion from last meeting.</p>	<p>The question is whether the university is part of the self-government's employment circular. - Henriette confirms that this is the case.</p> <p>A question about the Magna Charter paragraph is asked. - Here, Ilisimatusarfik is in an application process, which is why this paragraph can be retained.</p> <p>An addition there is a question regarding the election of a student representative. - Rikke asks whether deputies could be appointed. - This is not provided for in the legislation. - Rikke will prepare a paper about the problem and a timeline regarding when it will be the best time for elections.</p> <p>Lars proposes that the proposed addition regarding the inclusion of a teacher / researcher in the director's recruitment committee be included.</p>



		<i>Clement rewrites the document as it looks now and will take any. unresolved issues up at the next meeting.</i>
9	<p><u>Vision, mission and values</u> Should there be any changes to Ilisimatusarfiks vision, mission or values? <a href="https://da.uni.gl/om-os/bestyrelse/vision-mission-vaerdier.aspx">https://da.uni.gl/om-os/bestyrelse/vision-mission-vaerdier.aspx</a></p>	<p><i>Jens Erik repeats points from the last meeting about being careful not to change too much on vision and values as it is a culture that takes time to build. - There is agreement on this point.</i></p> <p><i>Lars points out that there should, however, be greater visibility around the university's vision, mission and values, which is also widely agreed upon.</i></p> <p><i>Silke also refers to the fact that proposals have been received from the Student Council which must be considered, for example regarding diversity.</i></p> <p><i>It is agreed that Silke will come up with proposals for which proposals from the Student Council be included.</i></p>
10	<p><u>Draft of the new strategy</u> The board members' suggestions for the strategy can be seen here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kO8iu9idYvuwERZq85OfRBpWy5_dXP85xMLAe5mMmwM/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kO8iu9idYvuwERZq85OfRBpWy5_dXP85xMLAe5mMmwM/edit?usp=sharing</a></p>	
10.1	<p>To the strategy: Sustainable development goals See mail from Karsten 11/15/20 and mail from Randi 17/11/20</p>	<p><i>Rikke has comments that are sent to Clement</i></p> <p><i>It is agreed that a new meeting will be convened in January where only strategy is to be discussed. - For this meeting, Lars and Clement will make a document about the strategy that can be discussed where all the submitted comments are included.</i></p>
10.2	<p>To the strategy: Language politics. See mail from Malan 15/11/20 and attached document A document on the language center which Ilisimatusarfik has been working on is also attached.</p>	
10.3	<p>To the strategy: The university's role in society. See mail from Svend 16/11/20</p>	

## New business

11	<p><u>Co-publication of Island studies Journal</u> Point suggested by Svend – see attached proposal.</p>	<p><i>Gitte points out that publications and external collaboration are not usually a matter for the board. - However, the Department of SØJ is informed about the offer and views it positively.</i></p>
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## Points for your information

12	No points FYI	
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## Round-up

13	<u>Agreement on upcoming meetings</u>	<i>A Doodle will be sent out for a new meeting in January.</i>
14	Other	

### Follow-up:

#### - From this meeting:

- Clement rewrites the draft of the statute with the current comments included
- Silke proposes which proposals from the Student Council can be included in vision, mission and values.
- The working group for development contracts continues to work with the contract: time horizon, focus on quality, focus on external funds, the comparison with Danish universities and concretization of the document.
- Lars and Clement make a document about the strategy that can be discussed at the next meeting.

#### - From previous meetings:

- For a future meeting, the board must have a presentation on teacher education, including the EVA report, new curriculum and the building challenges
- For an upcoming meeting, the board must have a presentation on the Arctic research environment.
- The university has a number of external funds for research, which do not appear in the accounts. The board would like to have better insight into this in the future.
- Ross will investigate whether individual access to Dartmouth's library can be given to Ilisimatusarfik's researchers.