

## Monday meeting

26 September 2022

held by Magnus Mörth

- At the last board meeting the new master's program in Geochemistry was approved. It is planned that it will start in the autumn of 2023. We will then have one more master program, and my guess is that we will soon have another one when the marine geovetenskap master will be created.
- On Saturday night, there was a total power cut on the central campus. The entire central campus was shut down approx. 16.30–18.30. The last houses; Geo, Picnic and Nobel house got electricity until about 22.00.

It is not yet located the cause of power cut, but the fault is probably Geo. It is most likely a damage to one of the cables that brings electricity to Geo. There are now contractors on site who are troubleshooting, and we hope that they will find what has happened and what needs to be fixed and if this in any way affects the operations in the building.

We can only hope that our instruments are still working well. The vacuum pumps in our mass specs tend to fail if they are a little worn out.

Electricity shortages and power cuts can become a fact during the autumn / winter. Our lab engineers will investigate the situation at IGV and what measures we need to take.

- The internal audit, so far, they have gone through:
  - a. Economy, accounting, and budget
  - b. secondary employment
  - c. procurement and our apparatus/computer register
  - d. IT and security.

Upcoming are:

- e. Disciplinary matters (students that cheat).

We also will receive the report in November and be able to comment on it.

- A reminder, book 7th of December for the house party. We moved in 25 years ago in June 1997 and this will be celebrated.  
Please keep the afternoon and evening of December 7 free from other activities.

- **IGV and SU economy**

In the project 'Economy in balance' at SU, the goal is now achieved, individual institutions have problems.

There are threats to further deterioration of the economy, and they are:

1. rent increase due to increased operating costs, right now an increased cost of at least 6%
2. a large deficit exists in the real estate department (FA) because during the COVID time premises were not rented out. Our faculty monitors that the cost ends up where it belongs, humsam faculty (humsum faculty has a surplus because those funds were not used to rent the premises).

We report now and then to the faculty about our economy. IGV has deviations compared to budget when it comes to grants which also affect our costs, personnel costs are also slightly lower than our budget. The forecast now is a zero result to a small surplus not considering the result from our education.

The commitment in education was 170/50 HÅP, regular courses/orientation courses, i.e., a sum of 220 HÅP. The forecast now according to Otto is that we will reach 147/68, i.e., a deficit of 23 HÅP on regular courses and an overachievement of 18 HÅP on orientation courses. If we don't get paid for our overachievement, we will run a deficit of about 3.4 million. If we get paid, we will make a deficit of about 1 million. This means that, in the worst-case scenario, our buffer in our budget is completely gone. The prognosis is that the faculty will not reach the amount of HÅPs requested for 2022 which will mean that all departments have to cover the deficit (and most likely we will get paid for our overachievement in orientation courses).

- There is a lecture the coming Monday about 'Blue Carbon in Canada; its pros and cons as a nature-based climate solution' by Professor Karen Kohfeld. She will also be honourable doctor at Stockholm university this week with a ceremony in the city hall.

Date: Monday, October 3, 2022

Time: 14.00–15.00

Place: William-Olssonsalen, Geohuset

- A reminder, there will be a safety round on October 6 where Mikael Corell will come to the house and inspect our premises. I hope that everybody will have a look in the laboratories/storage rooms and tidy up if necessary.
- The Magna Charta Universitatum (MCU) was first signed in 1988 and recently there was an amendment that declares the necessary responsibility and response of universities to contribute to the development of the society – a mission that can only be fulfilled through autonomy and academic freedom.

The MCU is a document that establishes the fundamental values of higher education institutions, including autonomy, independence, dissemination of knowledge and the important relationship between education and research.

- Everyone who is to work in laboratories at IGV must read and sign the safety regulations. This also applies to students, visitors and short-term employees and it is the supervisor's responsibility that this is done.
- Next Monday meeting is October 3.

## **Head of Economy and personnel administrator**