

## Monday meeting

5 December 2022

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- The internal revision is now finished with the first draft of the report we got recently. We have gone through the report and commented on all facts in the text we think were wrong and suggested changes accordingly. In all we think IGV came out quite well.
- The budget came recently from the faculty, and it states that we get about the same next incomes next year as this year when it comes to FUF and UGA. The number of HÅPs were set to 160 + 60, i.e., 220 HÅPs for 2023. We probably going to underperform this year compared to the number of HÅPs we requested for regular courses, probably around 20 HÅPs lower than we requested. What this means in money we must wait and see because we overproduced orientation courses.

The costs for our premises are increased as I reported about before, the invoice for common resources also increased. For now, we can see increased costs of about 3 million compared to 2022 but we have about the same budget so as far as we can see we will less money than this year the coming year.

- The new geochemistry master program has now been approved by the faculty. What is remaining is to recruit students and give a very good education.
- We have a board meeting the coming week which mainly will be about new course plans and changes to old course plans. There will also be one admission of a PhD student to our PhD program. The environmental plan for 2023 will also be decided. Since I sent out the whole agenda and appendices for the board meeting please have a look and if you have any comment on a agenda item please contact a board member.
- There are no plans to withdraw the extra capital that the universitas have because it can be seen as government capital in the eyes of our government. In the economically strained times we find ourselves in, this is very good news. However, unlike many other universities our extra capital is lower since Stockholm University has used up large parts of its capital on strategic investments. With that said the economy is at the university level therefore is under some pressure and necessary investments have to stand back for some more years.

- It was a section board meeting (SB) recently which is the preparatory meeting before the faculty's board meetings.

Some of the points from the meeting.

- 20 million SEK was donated to polar research at SU by Britt-Louise Theglander. Donation to mainly promote environmental and climate research in the polar regions. On 8/12, the donor comes to SU, and we will present examples from our research. The donation will go to a foundation. The money will be invested and then the returns will be distributed.
  - There were discussions to increase the number of graduate students because number of PhD students decrease. There may be a need to discuss other/additional financial incentives to departments and supervisors to make it more attractive to recruit more PhD students. This is especially important now when research funding agencies are decreasing their grants.
  - It is of great importance for the strategic development of education at the undergraduate level that we review the range of education within SU. There is too much overlap between our educations, and it needs to be coordinated to a greater extent. Within SB Geo/ environment, we have the ambition to look over the possibilities of coordinating education and recruitment of students. However, the current HÅP system is a major obstacle to this.
  - SU centrally takes too little responsibility in supporting how new students are welcomed. Housing, student life etc. are at a much lower level than other universities which has a negative impact on SUs recruitment
- Salary revisions are now complete. The new salary will be paid in December retroactively from October this year.