

Meeting Protocol

Date created: 2026-03-16

Date revised: 2026-03-18

Attendance

An "X" next to the name indicates attendance.

| | Registered members/representatives | Placement |
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| X | Stephanie Liza Johansson | Council Chair |
| X | Josefin David | - Council Vice Chair - Strategic Council for Research and Research Education |
| X | Harry Tibbets | Work Environment Council |
| X | Hiep Hong Trinh | CS Supervisor Committee |
| X | August Landerholm | Ethics Council |
| | Daniel Östberg | Faculty Board |
| | Julia Klang | IHI Research and Research Education Council |
| | Sharhzad Marashian | - ITV Research and Research Education Council - ITV Supervisor Committee |
| | Malin Elvin | IS Supervisor Committee |
| | Karin Strömqvist Bååthe | ISH Research and Research Education Council |
| | Fanny Mossberg | IUK Research and Research Education Council |
| | Fredrik Ardenlid | UM Supervisor Committee |
| | Fredrik Stormo Scheie | - IEM Research and Research Education Council - MAM Supervisor Committee |
| X | Mira Karlsson | ID Supervisor Committee |
| | Lisa Borglund | HVV Supervisor Committee |
| X | Kenneth Santos | BIE Supervisor Committee |
| X | Christopher Gustafsson | Council Member and ID representative |

| Adjuncts | | |
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| X | Patrick Blixt | Student and Doctoral Ombudsman |
| | Ann-Sofie Jonsson | Research Education Coordinator |

1. Opening the meeting

Estimated time: 2 minutes.

Draftsman: Stephanie Liza Johansson

Confirming of secretary and adjuster

Decision: Hiep as secretary and Liza as adjuster.

Previous protocol

Decision: To note the information.

Additional topics to be added to the agenda of today's meeting?

Decision: Onboarding for doctoral students.

The council declares the opening of the meeting at 13:00

2. Official Vice Chair Introduction

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

We welcome the opportunity to officially introduce our vice chair, who will say a few words about herself and what she looks forward to doing with us.

Decision:

The council decided

- To recognize the appointment of Josefin David for the vice chair position.

3. DSC representation status

Estimated time: 10 minutes.

Information:

Presenting the status of our representation in current and pending boards/committees/councils. The purpose is to also welcome our newest members/representatives.

Decision:

The council decided

- To recognize the appointment of Kenneth Santos from the faculty FFI as a representative in his intended role.
- To recognize the appointment of Julia Klang from the faculty FTH as a representative in her intended role.
- To recognize the appointment of Mira Karlsson from the faculty FTH as a representative in her intended role.

4. Evaluation of the Third-Cycle Study Subjects

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

Present the current progress on the evaluation of the research subjects Didactics and Innovation and Design. We discuss what has been done and what remains.

Decision:

The council decided

- To recognize the appointment of Carl-Mikael Teglund as responsible for the doctoral student submission in the research subject Didactics.
- To recognize the appointment of Simon Marceau and Christopher Gustafsson as responsible for the doctoral student submission in the research subject Innovation and Design.
- To recognize the appointment of Mira Karlsson to assist or share the responsibility for the doctoral student submission with Simon and Christopher.
- The DSC will continue to offer free breakfast or lunch for workshops pertaining to the doctoral student submission process.

5. Current DSC participation

Estimated time: 15 minutes.

Information:

Requests for doctoral student perspectives have been made by MDU in different projects, which are the Open Science project and risk analysis workshop. In addition, the status of our participation in MDU's quality workshops is discussed.

Decision:

The council decided

- The DSC Chair shall participate in the last quality workshop and risk analysis workshop.
- To recognize Kenneth Santos and Harry Tibbets as doctoral student representatives in the Open Science project for Open Research Methods.

6. PhD Room and Västerås Campus Plan

Estimated time: 20 minutes.

Information:

Present and discuss the results from the PhD room survey and share the progress moving forward. The plan for the Västerås Campus plan is also being presented including what happens next in terms of our participation.

Decision:

The council decided

- The DSC Chair will decide on a definition of the PhD room and share it with the council in our communication channel for feedback.

7. Doctoral Ombudsman presentation

Estimated time: 20 minutes.

Information:

The doctoral ombudsman joins us to introduce his work and provide observations from doctoral student cases from the previous year, backed up with some statistics. This is an opportunity for us to understand his previous and current workload and ask questions about any challenges he is facing as doctoral ombudsman.

Decision:

The council has decided

- To begin a departmental tour with the doctoral ombudsman starting by the end of this month or in April.
- To forward workplace security issues to the doctoral ombudsman who is in communication with the university's head of security.

8. DSC Economy and Webpage

Estimated time: 15 minutes.

Information:

The MDSU finance responsible has shared their new approach for the finance system, and this information is shared with the rest of the council. A discussion regarding how to use our current budget is included. Also, the DSC webpage project has begun and is an important ongoing work from the DSC council to create a communication network for all doctoral students at MDU regardless of their department station.

Decision:

The council decided

- To allocate some of our current budget for the DSC webpage.
- To prioritize and facilitate a supervisor of the year award for the next Akademisk Högtid chapter in 2027/2028.

9. Reports from representatives - highlights

Estimated time: 10 minutes.

Information:

Highlights from the reports by representatives in research councils and supervisor committees.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information.

10. Monitoring

Estimated time: 10 minutes.

Information:

Dissemination of information that is not part of the meeting agenda.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information.

11. Next meeting

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Motivation:

According to MDSU's by-law, the DSC meets three times per semester.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information that the next council meeting is in May 2026.

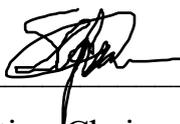
12. Closing of the meeting

Estimated time: 2 minutes.

Decision:

The council decided

- To close the meeting at 15:45.



Meeting Chairman

Stephanie Liza Johansson



Meeting Secretary

Hiep Hong Trinh



Meeting Adjuster

Stephanie Liza Johansson