

# Approved minutes CSC- EB meeting January 24, 2024

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1. **Opening and approval of the agenda**

10 Rob Mudde welcomes everyone and opens the meeting. The agenda is approved.  
Pravesha en Tessa zijn vandaag als gastsprekers aanwezig.

2. **Approval of minutes December 20, 2023**

A number of textual comments were made and, subject to these comments, the minutes were then adopted.

15 3. **Announcements and incoming documents**

- General announcements

Rob Mudde referred to the heroic act of a TU student who jumped into the icy waters of the canal to rescue a drowning person from a car that had fallen into the water. Rob Mudde and Tim van der Hagen received him and thanked him for his intervention.

20 *Midterm ITK* – the report has been very positive, the conclusions were no surprises. The committee pinpointed the things that TU Delft knew were up for improvement. It was a very valuable meeting, compliments on all colleagues involved, says Rob Mudde.

25 *LOVUM and the request from the minister of Education 'internationalisering in balans'*

The CSC would like to know what the opinion of the EB is m.b.t. 'internationalisering in balans'. Rob Mudde understands the problems that the influx creates, this is a point to be addressed. He is not happy if TU Delft is forced to start teaching BSc in Dutch/bilingual. We still need to have a fair share of internationals in our international classroom. We are concerned about the message this sends. International students are an integral part of our society. It is a balance, not necessarily the arena we want to be in.

30 Jelle Stap understands the need to contain the influx, he stresses to find it important that the CSC is involved. According to Rob Mudde, the measures will be discussed if necessary. He also understands the call from politics when we have to send away Dutch students. There is a discussion about whether or not to accept students, as this is currently not allowed. What resources would be needed, because those resources are not available now anyway?

35 Rob Mudde emphasises that TU Delft is trying to use its influence through UNL and its contacts with the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science. It is looking at whether there is anything we can do in terms of admissions and whether, for example, a pilot project could help us.

*CSC public appearances*

40 Jelle Stap informs Rob Mudde about the CSC's commitment to an effective and diverse representation of the student population in the participatory councils in an article in the Volkskrant and interview on Radio 1.

Lastly, Jelle Stap mentions Education Day.

45 4. **Student World Update**

Koos Meesters highlights three issues that have stood out over the past period of time.

50 **EOM** - a part of the CSC together with four study associations and YesDelft! students organised an Extracurricular Orientation Market for all students of the TU Delft. There were almost thirty different parties present ranging from volunteering, to consulting, dreamteams and the CSC. The goal was to show students what the possibilities are outside of their studies, to develop themselves and maybe get them involved in partaking in these parties next academic year.

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**Opening Exhale** - Exhale had an opening party last Friday. With drinks and even a DJ the event was attended by many students and also some council members. We are looking forward to the events of Exhale and to how students will receive the many activities that will be hosted here.

**LKvV**- Student associations affiliated with the National Chamber of Associations (LKvV) raised over 1 million euros for various charities in the year 2023. The student associations dedicated themselves to a wide range of charitable causes, including KWF Cancer Research, Grandma's Soup, the Salvation Army, Amnesty International, and many others. In addition to financial contributions, the student associations also demonstrated their social commitment in inspiring ways. For instance, students from L.V.V.S. Augustinus in Leiden collected toys for less privileged children, and students from different cities donated blood to Sanquin or became stem cell donors with Matchis.

## 5. Raising Central Student Council Effectiveness

- *Evaluation Mobile office*

Albaraa Khalil recalls the evaluation done of the mobile office. There should be banners, free coffee and more snacks next time. The next mobile office sessions are scheduled for 19 and 26 February next. The evaluation will also be sent to Tim Vermeulen (staff CREFM) Rob Mudde thinks the banners should be spread more across campus, make it known.

There will be a CSC- BSA Lunch Lecture on 20 February. Rob Mudde suggests that the meeting be called a 'conversation' rather than a 'lecture'. There is a request for a guest speaker, Rob Mudde will look into it.

On 6 June, the topic of the lunch lecture will be 'Internationalisation'. The CSC is thinking of inviting speakers from the world of politics. It is good to have at least a common understanding.

- *Open invite to apply to CSC*

Albaraa Khalil would like to know how things are going, an email would be sent to every student in Rob Mudde's name. Danko Roozmond says there was some discussion about the text. The department of Communication is reluctant to send too many emails, 1<sup>st</sup> student news in February. Rob Mudde thinks it's important to pay attention.

## 6. First Generation Student Support

Marlou Boerkamp gives a presentation on first-generation students. TU Delft and the government do not know who these potential students are. Marlou Boerkamp conducted 5 interviews, the main topics of discussion are reviewed. Best practices are exchanged with UU and Leiden. We are not allowed to know what first-generation students are for privacy reasons, you are not allowed to ask about this. David Keyson also runs into this. It is difficult to find the needs of these students. It is interesting to ask Utrecht and Leiden what to do to prevent stigmatisation. They must already have experience of this. Loci - says Alex. Marlou says she has already spoken to the staff of the introduction programme. Alex Lokhorst says that people are very interested in the 20 percent of students who do not participate in the OWEE. The quiet programme was a success. Danko Roozmond says it is very difficult to approach these types of students. He suspects the CSC could do better, and is very interested in what the CSC will experience. Best practices are shared: mentorship, workshops, and funds ( first generation funds UTWente ) (Empowerment Funds LU).

## 7. Quality Evaluation by Student Teams Pilot

Albaraa Khalil gives a presentation. The pilot for quality evaluation by student teams will be discussed. This is an initiative developed to complement the evaluations currently used. Evasys: students are tired of surveys so they don't complete it. QUEST is already in some courses: SEC courses in AS, New courses clinical tech in ME, Pilot starting in AS in Q3. Rob Mudde states that something like Evasys is still needed, because every student is invited to participate. He doesn't worry too much that not every student is involved, you need feedback as a teacher.

College response groups, do they still exist? This was organised by the study associations. Rob Mudde thinks that even first year students should learn to give feedback, some Evasys comments are really embarrassing. It can be damaging and it's not the way to improve training. Albaraa Khalil says it will come back after Q3 when there are results to present.

## 8. Student Wellbeing at the TU Delft

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The CSC is interested in discussing the state of student well-being. A presentation will be given by Matthijs van Teeffelen and Albaraa Khalil on the findings of the aforementioned Trimbos report and on initiatives being developed within the SR to improve student wellbeing. The discussion will focus on how this presentation can be combined with Danko Roozemonnd's earlier analysis of welfare projects already underway.

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Rebeca Domingo and Alex Lokhorst are present. The effects of the Corona crisis are still being felt, with 25% of students still affected, Rob says 'the crisis is not over'. A button is being worked on in Brightspace to direct students to help pages.

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NPO funding has enabled wellbeing activities to be organised, and in the graduation phase you can also see that students are struggling.

The community-based learning programme was important. Projects from the investment fund are mentioned. Prevention should be used rather than help after the fact.

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Rob Mudde wonders how it is that stress is coming to the surface now, how can we help them to deal with it? At the same time, he believes that there will always be stress in the world, and that people need to learn how to deal with it. So prevention is very important, he agrees. The more attention you give to well-being, if you say it's not OK, how do we get it back to 'normal'? Some level of stress is 'normal'. Matthijs van Teeffelen nuances the statement. One would like the students to better understand the level of stress. Alex Lokhorst suggests taking a course in time management, which might help. Danko Roozemonnd misses the effect of so-called 'screen time' and lifestyle, etc. Rob Mudde complements him by suggesting that the stress levels of 15 years ago might be different, as online life demanded less attention. Being bored and having nothing to do has disappeared from our lives, that does something to you. Food for thought, says Rob Mudde.

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Matthijs van Teeffelen concludes that the CSC would like to be involved in further planning.

## **9. Survey Results for Expansion to Rotterdam**

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Tessa den Hartog is here today as a guest speaker to present the results of the survey carried out on 28 and 29 November 2023 with questions about the proposed plans around Campus Rotterdam. The CSC would like to discuss the results of the survey.

More than 1,600 people took part in the survey. The majority of students are unaware of the plans. Those who are aware have heard about it from their peers.

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Most of the students are unaware of the plans, while 3/4 of the students questioned would have liked to know more. The more detailed questions and their results are also part of the presentation.

For the possible new campus, it seems that quality of education, public transport and student/student associations are the most important issues for students at the moment. Therefore, the recommendation aims at an adequate communication to the students, the orientation of the fields of study by the faculties and the Delft student culture in Rotterdam.

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Rob Mudde is happy that the quality of education is at the top of the list. It should also be a complete campus, able to stand on its own two feet. The culture will be slightly different from Delft, but that is not a bad thing. But a culture for extracurricular development is important. Regarding the comments on communication, Rob Mudde thinks that the students themselves can also make an effort to inform themselves about all kinds of developments inside and outside TU Delft. There is enough communication. He thanks Tessa den Hartog for her presentation.

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Jozua Heule wonders whether an OWEE is already being considered for the Rotterdam campus. Rob Mudde thinks it is way too early for that, but yes, it will be considered. Now we need financial commitments from the government before the go-no-go decision this summer.

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## **10. D&I teams**

Pravesha Ramsundersingh is today's guest speaker, she presents an update on the D&I Teams, which will start this year at TU Delft. Rob Mudde thanks her for her contribution, it is an important topic.

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## **11. Living Campus of TU Delft**

Alexandra Schelling will give a presentation on ideas for various initiatives to make the campus a truly living campus. She will zoom in on various possibilities on campus, especially the outdoor space and the buildings, to make the TU Delft campus even more lively. Examples include a roof terrace at CiTG, gym/fitness equipment at the Mekelpark complex, a general practitioner on campus or social chill-out areas in the canteens.

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Rob Mudde agrees that TU Delft is a campus university, so he understands the desire. But every choice is also a financial decision ('necessities, nice to have, desires'). He gives the example that study places might be higher on the list than roof terraces.

- 5 Alex Lokhorst mentions an initiative on campus from the Science Centre in 2016. It is agreed that Alexandra Schelling will also take note of this, perhaps there will be inspiration from it.

## **12. Webpage for initiatives**

- 10 Albaraa Khalil had an idea to put all TU Delft initiatives in one place. He therefore presents an update on the webpage he would like to see launched this year at TU Delft, an interactive archive for initiatives that is easily accessible for everyone.

Rob Mudde sees some objections, and thinks this is too big a step, he recommends to do this in a different way. This could take a lot of manpower. It was decided to reconsider the idea.

## **15 13. Guidelines on assessment at the TU Delft**

Sam de Jong suggests for reasons of time to move this item to the next meeting. He requests that additional data be supplied. Danko Roozmond will take this on, but asks Sam de Jong to also approach the FSC's with the same question. The exact questions will be shared.

## **20 14. A.O.B and Question Round**

There are no questions.

## **15. Closing**

Rob Mudde thanks everyone for their input and closes the meeting at 10:57.