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**Approved minutes of meeting 6/2017 in the Study Board of Languages and International Studies, December 13, 2017, 9.30-12.00**

**Study Board of Languages and International Studies**  
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**Present:** Ben Dorfman (BD), Inga Ernst Andersen (IEA), Kirsten Jæger (KJ), Student counselor Louise Brahms Vinther (LBV), Theresa Hansen (TH)

**Not present:** Robert Chr. Thomsen (RCT), Susanne Hald (SH), Laura Høvring Møller (LHM), Ana Maria Macias (AMM), Thomas Bavnsgaard Jensen (TBJ), Bent Boel (BB), Frederikke Bruhn Johnsen (FBJ), Oscar Garcia (OG)

**Referent:** Theresa Hansen

**Agenda:**

1. Approval of agenda
2. Approval of minutes 5/2017 (attached)
3. Orientation, Spring Teaching Schedule (note about need to coordinate curricular-extensive activities [guests lectures; discussion and documentary evenings, etc.]
4. News from students
5. News from student counselors
6. Orientation towards new members, Spring 2018
7. Addenda

1. **Agenda** for the meeting approved.

2. **Minutes 5/2017** approved with no changes.

3. **Orientation, Spring Teaching Schedule (note about need to coordinate curricular-extensive activities [guests lectures; discussion and documentary evenings, etc.]**  
Attention was drawn the fact that we need to be doubly-sure that the Spanish minor field is taken into account in the context of making the Spanish semester schedule.

Also, solutions will need to be found in the spring to special educational events – documentary film evenings and the like. The hours banks of certain full-time staff may be overly-strained through such activities.

Finally, LISE is noted as having a wider range of instructors available for supervision activity than initially thought. LISE looks forward to engaging a wider range of instructors on its roster.

4. **News from students**

No specific news from the students was noted. BD noted that 1<sup>st</sup> semester went well in many ways. However, the project period seems to have been rough for many students. BD wonders if a project is the best solution for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Also, LISE continues to struggle with the issue of several students claiming to be active in the education when it appears that they in fact are not. BD will raise the issue with the Faculty office.

5. **News from student counselors**

LVB noted regarding SIS that students seemed to have a good sense of the semester. She also noted that students on 3<sup>rd</sup> semester need more information about study abroad in 4<sup>th</sup> semester, especially regarding approval procedures for courses, etc. It was asked that the SIS coordinator check-up on procedure in this area.

6. **Orientation towards new members, Spring 2018**

New board members in the spring will be Bolette Halkjær Skov Sørensen and Lise Van Biesen from the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester LISE and Karina Freimanis Sørensen from SIS Spanish.

7. **Addenda**

BD suggested that, as a study board, we should have a diversity statement addressing the studies' proactive attitudes towards diversity and inclusion in their student body. The board was fully supportive of this idea.