
MINUTES
MEETING COMMITTEE COMMUNITY,
RESEARCH AND EDUCATION (CRE)
On the 7th of April 2020

Location:	Microsoft Teams
Time:	15:00
Present:	Zohra Hayat (chair), Ferry Blom, Hans van den Berg, Jasper Klasen, Sebastiaan Kamp, Teun van den Akker, Younes Assou
Absent:	Bianca Jadoenath, Ellora Sen, Helen Gubby, Olaf Hornes, Yogi Hendlin
Guests:	Elmer Smaling (Erasmus Magazine)
Registry:	Machteld Harmsen (clergy), Christiane Hofman (minutes)

1. **Focal action points**
2. **Meeting preparation**

3. **Opening**

- 3.01 **Opening & setting of the agenda**

The meeting was opened at 15:01.

- 3.02 **Setting of the minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes were set.

- 3.03 **Announcements**

There were no announcements.

4. **Agenda items**

- 4.01 **EUR-wide policy on digitization of course materials + MOOCs & SPOCs**

The portfolio holders are going to reach out to the people responsible for MOOCs at TU Delft. They are also in contact with someone at the Community for Learning and Innovation. The portfolio holders will discuss this information and come up with a plan to implement this at Erasmus University together. A survey done by one of the portfolio holders pointed out that 96% of the respondents was interested in online lectures.

- 4.02 **Toilet use during first hour of exams**

The chair forwarded the questions to the persons responsible. The first response was shared with the committee. The committee raised an issue with the answers. It is a logistics problem. The answers now state that it is not allowed, instead of looking at opportunities to change. A proposal will be written that students will be allowed to go to the bathroom within half an hour and more than once during the exams. The chair is thinking about inviting the people responsible to the next meeting.

Going to the toilet multiple times during an exam is not allowed because of disturbance, but the student members of the committee agree that this is not necessarily an issue. The committee suggested that it might be an idea to conduct a survey to find out what the main disturbances during an exam are.

Because of the corona crisis, this point will not have priority right now. It will be moved to two cycles from now. The chair will draft a proposal which will be sent in later when there will be physical examinations again.

4.03 White Week

Marleen Hans will put her proposal to the Executive Board. It will then come back as a decision from the Executive Board under right of information.

5. List of the agenda

6. Any other business

The email on work pressure was discussed from the perspective of different faculties. Overall, people were quite positive about the Board being supportive to the teaching staff and about measures for working from home. Faculties have regular meetings. In general, faculty council put forward information, which makes it difficult to put a number on the reports. The Executive Board will also conduct a survey. The Faculty Councils on their own will also ask around for opinions. Many people who have problems and increased work pressure due to the corona virus don't need messages and surveys but need help. This is important to take into consideration. It is also difficult to get students to understand the work pressure of the programme management right now.

Further it was mentioned that for many students there is a lot of uncertainty. For example, EMC students still have to pay the tuition fees, but education has been halted. Issues with for example new programmes and internships that are starting in September, public transport cards, student loans and tuition fees should be discussed, and students need clear information on that.

7. Debriefing

8. Closing

The meeting was closed at 15:58.

Action points

- Zohra: send an email to Brenda with the message that the topic of toilet use during first hour of exams will be postponed
- Machteld: move the topic of toilet use during first hour of exams to two cycles from now