



Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

Draft minutes

30 November 12:00 – 13:00

Present: Johanne Sundby, Bente Moen, Erik Eik Anda, Turid Austin Wæhler, Sigurd Røtnes, Frode Forland, Elin Yli Dvergsdal og Elisabeth Darj, Zlata Turkanovic, Karine Kalsås, Gunhild Koldal (ref)

64/18 Approval of agenda
Approved

65/18 Approval of minutes from board meeting October 31(Attachment 1)

53/28 (from the meeting 26/09/18 – information from the Research school

Change this sentence: Elisabeth and Johanne will start on the annual report for Globvac

to: Elisabeth and Johanne will start on the midway report for Globvac

60/18 – add Kristoff Gradmann to the committee members.

There is going to be a Rector meeting in Tromsø 18 December. It might be possible to address the quota issue at this meeting. Bente will write a support letter from UiB.

Minutes approved with comments

66/18 News from Global Health Norway board meeting 21/11/18

The main item in the board meeting was accounting and budget

The annual budget is NOK 540 000

NOK 220 000 is allocated for next year's conference

The Secretariat for Global Health Norway is meant to alternate every three years between the institutions. The board decided to allocate NOK 250 000 for salaries to the secretariat.

Today the secretariat is at University of Bergen. The next exchange will be in 2020. FHI has been suggested, but nothing has been decided.

67/18 The 2019 conference in Global Health- status

The committee was presented. Turid represents UiT, Inger Scheel will represent FHI.

Suggested title:

Competence building for impact

– time for revolution

Competence is a wide concept. Research methods and analysis methods are often a weak point for master students. How can this be addressed?

The research school has chosen "Ethics" as their main topic. They are interested in building bridges between the two conferences if possible. Perhaps use the same lecturer(s)?

If you can think of good lecturers, please let Bente know.



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There will be a possibility for PhD-candidates to submit abstracts for poster. The committee is also discussing whether to have one or two oral presentations.

68/18 Forum Membership registry

Brochure to promote the Forum registry – input regarding photos

We can use pictures from the Forum anniversary brochure. Should not use pictures of “happy children”. Try to illustrate the width of our work:

- project activities
- meetings/conferences
- students working
- people pictures rather than cities/landscapes.

If you have any pictures you think can fit, please send them to Gunhild.

69/18 Marketing of Forum –

How to best market the Forum, who should be approached?

Postponed

70/18 Information to the Board

- The Research School
- Norad
- Short news message from each participant in the meeting

Only a few comments due to time constraints

Sigurd: Hdir – a group with members from UD, NORAD, HOD has been appointed to write a report on what happens now that GLOBVAC will discontinue. Sigurd can inform us of the work in this group.

Zlata: NFR will try to engage the department, find out if there is any commitment to continued funding of global health. Global Health Norway will be contacted, to find out what is happening in global health in the institutions.

71/18 AOB

The situation for SAG and global health research in Tromsø. Erik and Turid informed the board.

SAG will move from Department to Faculty level, from January 1, 2019. Turid says that they do not know what will happen, what type of work they will do and so on. The scientific leader of SAG has handed in her notice.

There is not much scientific global health environment left. Forum wishes to show support for a continued global health environment and emphasise the importance of this type of research in Tromsø.

Erik will suggest a text or some points for a support letter. Bente writes the letter on behalf of Forum. It will be sent to the Dean at the Faculty of Health Sciences and the Rector at UiT.

Elin finds out the date for the mini-dean meeting.



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The situation in Tromsø should also be addressed at Global Health Norway level, where all the institutions are represented. A letter from them will send a signal of the importance of Global Health. Forum encourages Global Health Norway to send a letter to the UiT and to talk to the dean.

In the letter from the government regarding the quota scholarships, there is an instruction to work with global health.