

# EXECUTIVE MEETING

## INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH 18 December 2014

Participants: Jesper Bo Nielsen, Kim Brøsen, Kaare Christensen, Lotte Huniche, Arja R. Aro, Jan Sørensen, Philippe Grandjean

Absent: Jens Søndergaard, Jørgen Jespersen

### **News about teaching by Bernard Jeune**

The GRASPH's summer school programme takes place at Comwell Klarskovgaard on 26-27 May 2015. Bernard encourages PhD supervisors to attend the summer school as well, if not for the entire programme then just for the sessions where PhD students present their PhD projects.

### **News from the Department of Public Health**

A number of Danish research institutions have been denied access to Statistics Denmark – due to violation of the regulations. If illegal data has been repatriated from Statistics Denmark, you shall immediately delete it. Then, contact Karin Orum Elwert +45 3917 3485 (Statistics Denmark) and explain what has happened informing that the illegal data has been deleted. Subsequently the Head of Department Jesper Bo Nielsen has to be informed as well.

Collection of data to DAMD (Danish General Practice Database) has been stopped. All data has been deleted, except for four registered disorders: depression, COPD, heart disease and diabetes. Clarification of possible transfer of comorbidity data and data drawn from Danish Data Protection Agency and Serum Institute and already published data is still missing. In case of ongoing projects, it has been considered to imply data from other registers or to change the research question.

Head of Department Jesper Bo Nielsen has participated in a meeting about the new campus strategy in Esbjerg. Characteristics of the new campus will be prepared similar to the other camps.

### **News about finances**

The budget 2015 will be as in 2013. Centrally at the Department, it will imply budget cutbacks. The Heads of research units discussed different possibilities of cost reductions.

### **News about staff**

All employees are offered a performance and development review. The reviews are currently taking place at the different research units. The head of research unit is responsible for the review. A list of names responsible for the reviews has been given to the Faculty's liaison committee for approval. Future changes must be reported to the liaison committee.

In order to qualify the teaching, the Faculty has decided that all scientific staff has to present a public teaching portfolio (in PU:RE). Structure and content of the portfolio is available here:

[http://www.sdu.dk/en/Om\\_SDU/Fakulteterne/Sundhedsvidenskab/jobs/Portfolio](http://www.sdu.dk/en/Om_SDU/Fakulteterne/Sundhedsvidenskab/jobs/Portfolio)

### *Employees / extensions*

Thrombosis Research, associate professor Yaseelan Palarasah, research funds, 01.01.2015-31.12.2014,  
Clinical Pharmacology, nurse (temp) Pernille Sonnenborg Pedersen, research funds, 01.01.2015-31.12.2015  
General Practice, associate professor Eva E. E Wæhrens, ordinary funds, 01.12.2014-30.11.2017  
Health Promotion, research assistant Christina Mathilde Radl, research funds, 01.01.2015-31.12.2015  
General Practice, research assistant Marc Sampedro Pilegaard, research funds, 01.12.2014-28.02.2014  
CMSS: postdoc Lulu Hjarnø, research funds, 15.01.2015-14.01.2016

CMSS, postdoc Hanna Barbara Rasmussen, research funds, 01.01.2015-31.12.2015  
EBB, postdoc Sören Möller, ordinary funds, 01.01.2015-31.05.2015  
EBB, associate professor Karen Andersen-Ranberg, research funds, 01.01.2015-31.03.2015  
Clinical Pharmacology, research assistant, Maja Simonsen, research funds, 01.03.2015-31.5 2015  
EBB, postdoc Marianne Nygaard, research funds, 01.01.2015-15.07.2017

### **Vacancy announcements**

Associate Professor (5%), General Practice – interview in January  
Associate Professor (50%) General Practice – advertised – deadline 11 December 2014  
Assistant professor in biostatistics – undergoing assessment  
Associate Professor (20%) – General Practice – advertised – deadline 14 January 2015

### **Work environment / Contingency Plan / Cooperation**

On 9 December, a noticed evacuation exercise took place in Winsløwparken. Everything went according to plan.

A workplace assessment will take place at the end of this year.

At a meeting held by the Faculty's liaison committee, the number of parking spaces and the prerequisite for obtaining an annual parking permit were discussed. The intention is to establish more parking spaces on the area that has been covered by steel plates at the WP9 in 2014. The parking permits from 2014 will be valid until a new parking registration system is ready for use.

The Central Liaison Committee at the University has decided to ban smoking indoor as well outdoor – smoking is only allowed at suitable areas and at a distance of 5 meters to doors and windows.

### **News from the management team at the Faculty of Health Sciences**

PhD funding in 2015 will not be increased. In 2014, The Department of Public Health has been graded 12 PhD students, and the same number is expected to be enrolled in 2015. The Department has set up a plan of distribution as to the envisaged enrolment. Due to the PhD School's cash problems the scholarship is now expected to be the second year of enrolment.

The University Board is expected to adopt the construction of the new campus in Esbjerg today. Where the Faculty of Health Sciences is involved, a number of user groups are expected to be formed.

NytSUND is expected to postpone the relocation until 2021-2022, in order to relocate simultaneously with the University Hospital.

### **News from Academic Council by Kaare Christensen**

The council has been discussing the criteria for appointing professorships, including clinical professorships. According to the University Act, a professor is to perform research at a high international level. But when looking at the H-Index and number of citations, some of the professors often show limited research experience. In order to fulfil the University Act, the committee has discussed various alternatives a.o. appointing him/her as research associate professor – and then later on appoint them as professor.