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School meeting December 6, 2023

Participants in the Project Studio: APD 2, TD 6, IxD 5, BFA 18, AFD 3, Staff 16

Agenda

- General updates
- Taking care of each other
- Ställverket

General updates

Head of Institute, Demian Horst, gave an update on the Brita-Stina Nordenstedt Scholarship applications. A record 18 applications were submitted by students from UID. The results will be announced in January.

Oscar Björk informed that costs are now covered for study-related printing. Students were asked to select their class account when printing (for example: 5310AFD, 5310BFA1, etc.). The misuse or printing of private materials may result in additional costs. Students were reminded that their cooperation will help UID staff maintain a sustainable and efficient work environment around printing. If you have any questions, reach out to our IT System Administrator Jens Mann

The new workshop teaching assistants hired by the school presented themselves to the participants at the meeting. They are Clara Häggström (BFA), William Bo Roskaer (BFA), Heinrich Zaunschirm (APD), Mika Sinclair (IXD), Jakub Szewczyk (TD). They talked about their individual areas of expertise and how they can help fellow students in the workshops. The workshop assistants should preferably be contacted between 15.00–18.00, on weekdays. Some general day-to-day guidelines regarding basic workshop conduct were run through by Mika Sinclair and William Roskjaer.

Demian Horst talked about initial preparations for UID24 | Design Talks & Degree Show, taking place on May 28-29, 2024. A process is already underway for the development of the theme and the event graphics. For UID24, companies are once again expected to be able to contribute in a more active way.

The architectural proposal for the new student kitchen was unveiled. The new design includes a social space, a kitchen island, stainless steel appliances and added space for storage. Personalised utensils will be introduced shortly.

Demian Horst informed about the upcoming holiday period (23/12 – 7/1). There will be normal access to the UID premises. However, the workshops will be closed and the cleaning support will be reduced.

Students interested in exchange studies were encouraged to join the 'Wednesday Lecture' with Linda Bogren, December 6, 15.00-16.00, in the Green Room.

Taking care of each other



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A quick survey was held on the current stress levels among students at UID. A majority of students felt a moderate level of stress during the past month. Quite a few students also felt a high, or very high, level of stress. Suggestions were also made on how we can help each other. In conclusion, students gave an update on what is keeping them busy at the moment.

Students were asked to make sure that the doors malfunctioning because of the cold and the snow are kept closed. Students were also urged to contact house technician Jerry Jonsson if doors are out of function.

Students were requested to switch off lights when exiting a room when they are the last ones to leave.

Ställverket

Head of Ställverket, Iver Alexey Zaitzow Mikaelsen, talked about the unsatisfactory ventilation in certain rooms and that such issues should be brought up with house technician Jerry Jonsson. The student Christmas tree is in the works and students were encouraged to get involved. A discussion was held on the booking of rooms and how to make rooms more readily available for all students in general. The link to book a meeting room is available via the Student Web. The process of preparation needed before pubs can resume at UID is continuing and a solution is getting closer. Ställverket is collaborating with the leadership at UID, and hopefully pubs will soon be able to take place again.

Next school meeting

The next school meeting on February 7 (1st Wednesday every month).