Minutes of the 7th ordinary meeting of the Permanent Foreign Students’ Committee of the University of Hanover on 28th of February 2014

Meeting took place at: Welfengarten 2c, 30167 Hanover

Beginning: 4.10 pm
End: 4.51 pm

Attending: Tatia, Iryna, Ajay, Fanjie, Petjon, Andrea
Not attending: Anna, Vijay

The meeting is conducted in German and English.

Agenda for the day (AI = agenda item):

**AI 1** Opening of the meeting and approval of the orderly calling of the meeting and the voting rights of the members

**AI 2** Election of the chairman and the keeper of the minutes

**AI 3** Resolution on the agenda for the day

**AI 4** Discussion and approval of the minutes of the 6th ordinary meeting of the Foreign Students’ Committee of the University of Hanover on 16th of December 2013

**AI 5** Requests

**AI 6** Activity-reports of the Foreign Students’ Spokespersons

**AI 7** Any other businesses (AOB)
AI 1 Opening of the meeting and approval of the orderly calling of the meeting and the voting rights of the members

The Foreign Students’ Spokespersons Tatia and Iryna welcome the attending members of the Foreign Students´ Committee and open the 7th ordinary meeting of the Foreign Students´ Committee of the University of Hanover on 28th of February 2014.
They prove the orderly invitation for the meeting and prove the voting rights of the Committee.

AI 2 Election of the chairman and the keeper of the minutes

Chairman: Petjon
Keeper of the minutes: Andrea
The candidates are elected unanimously.

AI 3 Resolution on the agenda for the day

The attendees adopt the agenda for the day unanimously.

AI 4 Discussion about and approval of the minutes of the 6th ordinary meeting of the Foreign Students´ Committee of the University of Hanover on 16th of December 2013

The minutes of the 6th ordinary meeting of the Foreign Students´ Committee are discussed and approved. They will be published on the following website: http://www.wiki.astahannover.de/doku.php?id=informationen:auslaenderinnenkommission

AI 5 Requests

Before the Committee decides on the requests, Tatia provides details of the approved external financial petitions. She informs the members of the Foreign Students Committee about how much money is still available.

2,400 Euros were originally approved for external financial petitions.

- 400 Euro for IASH e.V (Indian community)
- 200 Euro for IkJA e.V (Intercultural Culture Youth Exchange)
- 200 Euro for GeMi e.V (Georgian community)
- 150 Euro for DMA e.V (Moroccan student community)
- 18 Euro for B-TAH e.V (Tunisian student community)

Totally 968 Euro

1432 Euros are available for the external financial petitions.
Two funding applications were submitted:

5.1 Financial request for aid for the organization of the sport event “Paintball”:

Results:
The Foreign Students’ Committee decided unanimously to reject the request. The event is not corresponding to the aims of the Foreign Students’ Commission due to the small number of participants of the aforementioned event (only 12 persons while 3000 foreign students are studying at the Leibniz University of Hanover).

5.1 Financial request for aid for the organization of the event “International Night III”:

Results:
The Foreign Students Committee decided unanimously to approve funding at the amount of 200,- Euro.

AI 6 Activity-reports of the Foreign Students’ Spokespersons

6.1 Daytime seminar:

Tatia reports about the organization of the day seminar. Mr. Glembek, the representative of the BAS (Bundesverband Ausländischer Studierender = Federal Association of Foreign Students) still did not contact her to inform her when the seminar would exactly take place. Although, he originally confirmed that the seminar would take place at the end of February 2014.

Summarizing the above, it should be noted that the cooperation with Mr. Glembek had been proved to be difficult. He assured to organize the seminar, but later he was not available to confirm the dates.

The Foreign Students’ Spokespersons considered resigning from the BAS (Bundesverband Ausländischer Studierender = Federal Association of Foreign Students), as fees are required for the membership, and til now the cooperation did not function properly.

6.2 International festivity

The Foreign Students’ Spokespersons planed an international festivity to which international groups should be invited. It originally should have taken place in March 2014. As many potential participants will not be in Hanover in March because of semester vacations and, additionally, there will be already organized many other parties in April, it was decided to postpone the event for May 2014.

The location for the party already had been booked (Hanomag areal). The expenses for the organization shall be partly refunded via selling drinks during the party.

The event shall help to promote the Foreign Students’ Commission and support the cooperation between the Foreign Students’ Commission and international groups.
Further details are to be discussed during the next meeting of the Foreign Students´ Committee.

6.3 Election of the new Foreign Students´ Spokespersons

Recently, the elections of the new Foreign Students´ Spokespersons took place. Anna and Mhamed won the elections and will take over an office from next April.

6.4 Overview of past expenditures

The Foreign Students´ Spokespersons prepared an overview of past expenditures including all petitions that had been approved by the Foreign Students´ Committee during their time in office. Only petitions relating to print costs had been approved by the Foreign Students´ Spokespersons. In the future, it should be handled the same way to avoid abuse of office.

6.5 Keeping of the minutes

Furthermore, a keeper of the minutes shall hold office (Advice from Tatia and Iryna to the new Foreign Spokesperson´s, Anna and Mhamed).

6.6 Certificate of activities at the Foreign Students´ Commission

To honor the activities of the members of the Foreign Students´ Commission and make it more attractive, the member of the Foreign Students Committee should be provided by the certificates describing and confirming their work at the Commission (in German and English).

AI 7 Any other businesses

The next meeting of the Foreign Students´s Committee is expected to be called by the Foreign Students´ Spokespersons in March 2014

Chairman Petjon adjournes the 7th ordinary meeting of the Foreign Students´ Committee at 6.51 pm.