

UID School Meeting – January 2015

Participants: 8 BFA, 1 APD, 4 IxD, 0 TD, 2 IDI, 3 PhD students, 0 SSC, 15 staff

Birgitta Nordholm's last day

Birgitta Nordholm will work her last day on Monday January 12 before she retires.

Order & Neatness

UID toilets

You might have noticed that waste paper baskets, towel holders and soap dispensers are not yet up in the toilets after the painting that was done earlier. We will install electrical hand dryers, as soon as it's done the rest of the equipment will be up again.

Cleaning as part of the schedule

This term, workshop cleaning duty will be scheduled on Fridays at 15.00 as part of the regular education. Workshop staff are there to help instruct on cleaning routines and where things go. This is to get better work flows (and to spend less time searching missing equipment) for all in the workshop, which makes a better environment for all of us.

Jon Sommarström (BFA 3) and Jenny Holmsten (BFA 3) from the EHS group work environment have a few suggestions on how to create a better environment in the studios.

- Don't bring blue jackets in the studios, we want to avoid dust in the studios.
- Don't bring yellow foam until the surface is sealed (painted).

Be aware that people may have allergies.

Photo studio

Peter Lundholm and Anders Hellström are cleaning the photo studio and preparing it for the spring term. The ventilation is changed, among other things. Peter would like to get input on the equipment and specifically the backdrops since the old ones had to be thrown away due to mishandling. Any suggestions of usage and how to take care of our photo studio please mail them to Peter.

If you want to book the photo studio contact Peder Fällfors. You can also borrow photo equipment like flashes etc. through him. Anders will grant you access but it's administrated through Peder. When you plan to use the photo studio make sure you book it at least a day ahead. More information to come on this.

And as always, when you use the photo studio you are responsible to leave it nice and tidy.

Student kitchen

Ställverket talked about the student kitchen at the latest meeting, and how to improve "order and neatness". They will propose a better layout for the kitchen – more to follow on this.

UID Auditorium

The Auditorium is from the 1 January 2015 no longer “owned” and administrated by UID. Bookings will, from now on, be made through Umeå University, and the University is also in charge of the equipment in the Auditorium.

Global Game Jam in Umeå, January 23-25

Justyna Fryczak (IDI) presented an upcoming event called Global Game Jam. It's a 48-hour event that takes place all over the world where you create video games together. The theme will be announced the day before the event. Storytellers, programmers, anyone who would like to contribute is welcome. Location will be HUMLab-X. Register through the website: <https://ggjumea.wordpress.com/>

How we share information at UID

Ställverket have sent a letter to the UID leadership before Christmas, addressing several things that could be improved at UID. Head of Department Maria Göransdotter brought up one issue at today's school meeting: *Information overload or lack of information?*

At the school meeting we talked about how we best use the school meetings. Here is a summary of what we said:

- The school meetings are one of the channels where students and staff can bring up important issues and discuss them together. They could be used for critical discussions and “what if –discussions”.
- Lately fewer students have attended the meetings. The school meetings have to be so interesting that you feel you want to be there!
- The meetings should be kept to the time limit.
- Less generic information and a better balance. External persons are not always necessary - UID staff could present a shorter version instead or invited guests could talk at the end of the school meeting, in case someone would like to leave.
- We should make the school meetings shorter.
- The last page of Wozzop could be used for information and announcements.
- The welcome screens in the foyer could show what's happening right now in the school.
- We should encourage people to inspire each other and bring up something they need help with at the school meetings. It should be exciting and refreshing!

Next School Meeting: February 4 at 13.00 in the Auditorium