

Board meeting

Wednesday, August 24, 2005, at 15.00
DataCity A, 2nd floor, TY Neuvotteluhuone 3

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Members present:

Ralph-Johan Back, Prof., Chair
Pirkko Walden, Prof.
Jouni Isoaho, Prof.
Juhani Karhumäki, Prof.
Reima Suomi, Prof., Vice-Chair
Paula Steinby, Ph.D. Student
Hannu-Pekka Kulta, M.Sc. Student

TUCS staff:

Timo Järvi, Prof., Director, Presenting Officer
Venja Lehtikari, Administrative Officer, Secretary of the meeting

1. Validity of the meeting and presence of a quorum

The notice of a board meeting has to be sent three weekdays before the meeting takes place. The meeting must be valid and the members present have to constitute a quorum. The meeting constitutes a quorum when the chairman and at least five members of the board are present.

The notice of this board meeting was sent on August 18, 2005.

Proposal: The validity of the meeting and presence of a quorum will be recorded.

Decision: According to proposal.

2. Additional items

The agenda of possible additional items will be handed out in the beginning of the meeting.

Proposal: Possible additional items will be presented.

Decision: Items 6 and 7 were added to the agenda.

3. Resignation of the vice-director (Järvi)

Prof. Jan Westerholm has submitted a letter of resignation concerning his position as TUCS vice-director.

Appendix: 1/06/05 Jan Westerlund, letter of resignation

Proposal: The Board accepts the resignation of Prof. Jan Westerholm starting September 1st, 2005.

Decision: According to proposal.

4. Resignation of the coordinator (Järvi)

Lecturer Mats Aspnäs has submitted a letter of resignation concerning his position as TUCS coordinator.

Appendix: 2/06/05 Mats Aspnäs, letter of resignation

Proposal: The Board accepts the resignation of Mats Aspnäs starting September 1st, 2005.

Decision: According to proposal.

5. The new TUCS vice director (Järvi)

TUCS board has in its meeting on August 8, 2005 proposed to Åbo Akademi University that professor Hannu Tenhunen will be appointed as the part-time director of TUCS for a 5-year-period starting September 1st 2005.

In that proposition I stated:

The hiring of a part-time director raises a need for a part-time coordinator as stated in the announcement. However, the present coordinator Mats Aspnäs has communicated to me that he shall not continue in the autumn because of a research project. The AG meeting discussed the situation and decided that the coordinator's part-time vacancy will not be continued and instead we shall search for a part-time vice director. This arrangement has been used in TUCS during the years 2000-2001. The search for a vice director shall be started immediately and the new director should be involved in it. The board will confirm the distribution of the duties of the director and the vice director.

The vice director selection was also discussed in an unofficial meeting of the Administrative Group (the directors of the departments within TUCS) on July 21st 2005. Those present (Christer Carlsson, Juhani Karhumäki, Ari Paasio, Ralph Back and Timo Järvi) also discussed the vice director position. It was noted that only Professor Tapio Salakoski among the applicants had expressed his interest in vice directors post. Some younger persons were brought out. In later unofficial discussions Salakoski has become the foremost candidate. As this is a part time (50 %) for a limited time, no official announcement for open position is needed.

Professor Tapio Salakoski's application is stored as appendix 3 in TUCS intranet and his merits are summarised in the appendix 4. His special merits for this position are:

- Vice director of TUCS 2000 – 2001
- Director of the Department of Information Technology 2002 – 2003
- Member of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences 1998 – 2000 and 2004 – 2006
- Member of TUCS board 2003 -2005

In this situation where the new director comes more or less from outside the University, I think that it is important that the vice director has a thorough knowledge of TUCS and its departments.

TUCS has paid to the department 50 % of the vice director's (coordinator's) salary. In some cases reward has been paid. This has varied in different situations. In negotiations with the chairman of the board we have come to an understanding that TUCS will pay an additional salary class as a vice director's reward.

The period for vice director should be long enough to give stability. On the other hand, the situations in the TUCS environment change rapidly so committing to 5 years period might be too long. As a compromise a three years period is proposed.

Appendices: 3/06/05 Tapio Salakoski's application
 4/06/05 Tapio Salakoski's merits

Proposal: The board will appoint Professor Tapio Salakoski to the (part-time) vice director of TUCS for a 3-year-period starting September 1st 2005. TUCS will pay 50 % of his ordinary salary to the Department of Information Technology. TUCS will also pay an additional salary class (the difference between salary classes A29 and A28) to the new vice director.

Decision: According to proposal.

6. Change of date for the next board meeting (Lehtikari)

Change of the date of the next board meeting.

Proposal: The date for the next meeting will be 19th of September instead of 26th of September at 13.00.

Decision: According to proposal.

7. Resignation of a member of the board (Järvi)

Prof. Tapio Salakoski has submitted a letter of resignation concerning his position as TUCS board member.

Appendix: 5/06/05 Tapio Salakoski, letter of resignation.

Proposal: The board supports the resignation to the University of Turku.

Decision: According to proposal.

8. Announcements

8.1 [Minutes of TUCS board meeting of August 8, 2005](#)

Turku, August 24, 2005

Timo Järvi
Director

Ralph-Johan Back
Chairman

Venja Lehtikari
Secretary of the meeting