

Board meeting

Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at 13.00

ICT building, Joukahaisenkatu 3-5 B, 6th floor, TUCS conferens room

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Present:

Jan Westerholm, Prof
Johan Lilius, Prof.
Christer Carlsson, Prof., Chair
Jouni Isoaho, Prof.
Juhani Karhumäki, Prof.
Timo Knuutila, Prof.
Reima Suomi, Prof., Vice-Chair
Teijo Lehtonen, Ph.D. Student
Tuukka Simonen, M.Sc. Student (left after item 5)

TUCS staff:

Hannu Tenhunen, Prof., Director, Presenting Officer
Tapio Salakoski, Prof., Vice-director, Presenting Officer
Christel Donner, Administrative Officer, Presenting Officer, Secretary of the meeting
Ulrika Gustafsson, Administrative Officer, Presenting Officer

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 May 11, 2007.

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: No additional items were presented.

3. Application to TUCS Graduate School (Salakoski, Tenhunen)

We got 36 applications, 24 from Finland and 12 from abroad. TUCS GS Committee has evaluated the applicants. Based on these evaluations, and further taking into account the matching funding principle, the interest shown by TUCS supervisors, balance

between the participating universities and departments, genus perspective, and certain strategic investments, the following proposal is put forward.

Appendices: [1/04/07](#) Ranking list by GSC
[2/04/07](#) Scanned applications
[3/04/07](#) Salary position 2007
[4/04/07](#) Financing statistics 2002-2006
[5/04/07](#) The proposal
[5a/04/07](#) New proposal

Proposal: According to appendix 5/04/07.

New proposal: According to the new appendix 5a/04/07 (distributed in the beginning of the meeting).

Decision: The following students were approved to TUCS Graduate School. The graduate school position presumes that the student receives the right to pursue doctoral studies at one of the universities. TUCS also requires that the department guarantees full funding for up to 4 years of the total study time of the student. The detailed decisions can be found in appendix [5b/04/07](#).

AIROLA, Antti	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Tapio Salakoski
DAHLIN, Andreas	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Johan Lilius
FAN, Xin	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Hannu Tenhunen
HALLANORO, Mikko	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Hannu Salmela
HIMMANEN, Heidi	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Jouni Isoaho
HÄLLFAST, Nina	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Barbro Back
JUNNILA, Ville	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Iiro Honkala
LAINÉ, Markku	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Juhani Karhumäki
LIU, Yong	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Christer Carlsson
LUKKARILA, Ville	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Jarkko Kari
MARKU, Joonas	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Ari Paasio
MIZERA, Andrzej	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Ion Petre
MÄNTYMÄKI, Matti	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Jussi Puhakainen
NEOVIUS, Mats	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Kaisa Sere
PAGANUS, Annu	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Tapio Salakoski
RÖNKKÖ, Mikko	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Markus Mäkelä
TYYSTJÄRVI, Joonas	salary supported by TUCS, supervisor Juha Plosila

In addition, the following students will be granted TUCS full-time or part-time status if financing can be arranged and a supervisor can be appointed:

GAO, Song
HAKALA, Piritta
HOLMBOM, Annika
KORVELA, Henri
LAINE, Mikael
METSÄLÄ, Tomi
NA, Bian
RAJANEN, Mikko
VADDINA, Kameswar

The Board also made a decision that a financial follow-up for planned and used TUCS salary months should be reported twice a year (e.g. in March and in September). The granted and used salary months will be presented per student, department and university.

4. The outside representatives of the Board (Tenhunen)

Anne-Mari Virolainen has resigned from her position as the ordinary outside representative of the Board in March 2007. The deputy member, Jaakko Kuosmanen, has informed that he is willing to act as the ordinary member, despite the fact that he will leave ICT Turku Oy. If Jaakko Kuosmanen is appointed as the ordinary member a new deputy member should be appointed. Olli Mertanen, the vice rector of Turku Polytechnic has agreed to become a deputy.

Proposal: Jaakko Kuosmanen is appointed as the ordinary outside representative and Olli Mertanen as the deputy representative of the TUCS Board.

Decision: According to proposal.

5. Study Report by Anna Sell (Gustafsson)

Anna Sell returned from her maternity leave in the beginning of April 2007. She has now filled in her study report (as agreed) and her supervisor has written the supervisor's statement.

Appendix: 6/04/07 Anna Sell's study report

Proposal: Anna Sell has TUCS guarantee until the end of October 2007 and will thereafter receive TUCS full-time status until 30.4.2008 or until she graduates if she graduates earlier.

Decision: According to proposal.

6. Discussion item: TUCS Graduate School strategy

- Guidelines for student selection, Delegation decisions, and GS Committee line-up

At the previous meeting the Board approved the new structure and organization of TUCS. In the future, Board will only decide on general guidelines and budget for GS, and thus additional delegation decisions need to be made and the Committee membership line-up needs to be rethought. According to the TUCS statutes, the duties of the Board are among others to decide about the guidelines concerning the allocations of the centre or its operational units. The Board is also responsible for the Ph.D. education and to accept Ph.D. students providing that one of the universities participating in TUCS gives the student the formal right to pursue doctoral studies.

Instruktion för Åbo datatekniska forsknings- och utbildningscentrum

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Direktionens uppgift är att:

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5. besluta om de allmänna riktlinjerna för användningen av anslag som tilldelats centret eller dess verksamhetsenheter ospecificerade;

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7. svara för forskarskolans verksamhet och godkänna studerande till den under förutsättning att universitetet antar dessa som forskarstuderande;

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Turun tietotekniikan tutkimus- ja koulutuskeskuksen johtosääntö

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Johtokunnan tehtävänä on:

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5. päättää keskukselle tai sen toimintayksiköille erittelemättöminä myönnettyjen määrärahojen jakamisen yleisistä suuntaviivoista;

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7. vastata tutkijakoulun toiminnasta ja hyväksyä sen opiskelijat edellyttäen, että yliopistot hyväksyvät heidät jatko-opiskelijoiksi;

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Conclusion: The delegations decisions will be made at the next meeting and well-defined guidelines for the student selection later this year.

7. Discussion item: TUCS Research focus

Preliminary interest for EU 7th framework research challenges has been collected among TUCS research centres and processed in order to find critical mass and joint research focus. The current status of preparation was discussed at the meeting and the Board approved the next steps of the preparations to be taken; a draft of the TUCS Research Focus will be prepared for the next Board meeting.

8. Announcements

8.1 Minutes of TUCS Board meeting of April 23, 2007

http://www.tucs.fi/downloads/minutes/board/board_20070423.pdf

8.2 TUCS status granted

Tero Säntti was granted TUCS Part-time Status on April 23rd, 2007

Turku, May 16, 2007

Christer Carlsson
Chair of the Board

Hannu Tenhunen
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Tapio Salakoski
Vice Director

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