Resolution of the Academic Senate of the Faculty of Social Sciences Extraordinary Meeting

Date: 14th October 2019 from 2:30 PM

Venue: Hollar building, no. 212

Attending

For the Pedagogical Chamber

Emil Aslan, Jan Hornát, Hana Kubátová, Jiří Kukačka, Filip Láb, Václav Moravec, Jaromír Soukup, Martin Štoll

For the Student Chamber

Jakub Iran, Petr Kobylka, Jan Křovák, Lucie Lemonová, Veronika Macková, Nick Ojo Omorodion, Kateřina Turková

Excused

Šimon Appelt, Martin Bláha, Denisa Hejlová, Petr Soukup, Ondřej Šveda

Guests

Alice Němcová Tejkalová, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences; Ondřej Blažek, Faculty Secretary; Ladislav Krištoufek, Vice-Dean for Student Affairs; Petr Bednařík, Vice-Dean for Concept and Quality of Studies; Jaroslav Kučera, Vice-Dean for Science and Research; Malvína Krausz Hladká, Member of the Dean's College for International and Foreign Language Studies; Miloš Balabán, Head of the Security Policy Center; Martin Gregor, director of IES FSV UK; Tomáš Nigrin, director of IMS FSV UK and member of AS UK; Jakub Končelík, director of IKSŽ FSV UK; Mirka Kortusová; Ota Konrád; Eliška Černovská and Kristýna Švárová, members of AS UK; Michal Červinka; Jakub Říman, FSV UK spokesperson; Martin Mejstřík

Resolutions

Resolution No. 1: Academic Senate of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University (AS FSV UK) approves the agenda of its extraordinary meeting on 14th October 2019.

Resolution No. 2: AS FSV UK disagrees with the conclusion of a framework agreement between the Charles University and Home Credit International, the text of which may imply a restriction of academic freedoms, especially freedom of research. The conclusion of the contract damaged the reputation and prestige of the Charles University.

Resolution No. 3: AS FSV UK asks the Rector of the Charles University to reflect on his errors with respect to his conduct and communication in connection with the conclusion and termination of the contract with Home Credit International.

Resolution No. 4: Before accepting donations from private entities, AS FSV UK asks the Charles University Management to take into account the moral integrity – taking into account also level of social responsibility.

Resolution No. 5: AS FSV UK asks the Charles University Management to establish clear and transparent rules for selecting commercial entities with which partnership or donation contracts are concluded, including the amount of money that should be adequate given the standing and prestige of the University.

Resolution No. 6: AS FSV UK calls on FSV UK representatives in AS UK to take steps at the next AS UK meeting that would avoid the repetition of situations similar to those with Home Credit International. At the same time, the AS FSV UK asks representatives of the FSV UK in the AS UK to acquaint the AS CU with resolutions 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Resolution No. 7: AS FSV UK takes note of information from FSV UK Management about the whole case in relation to FSV UK. When accepting donations from private entities, the AS FSV UK asks the individual institutes of the faculty to take into account the moral integrity of these entities, taking into account also level of social responsibility. Acceptance of donations and financial support must in no way jeopardize academic freedoms or create a space that can lead to threats to academic freedoms. The AS FSV UK supports the efforts of the AS FSV UK Chairman to adopt internal faculty rules for the selection of cooperating commercial entities that will prevent excesses similar to the conclusion of a framework agreement between UK and Home Credit.

Resolution No. 8: AS FSV UK asks the Faculty Management to review contracts and partnerships of individual departments of FSV UK with private entities and submit the results to the relevant commissions, especially the Economic Committee of AS FSV UK. The results of the audit will serve as a basis for discussion on possible termination of problematic contracts and adoption of internal rules of FSV UK (see Resolution No. 7).

Resolution No. 9: AS FSV UK considers the activities of the Security Policy Center held under the auspices of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China to be problematic due to low transparency, possible threat to academic freedoms and the Charles University's Code of Ethics.

Resolution No. 10: AS FSV UK asks the FSV UK management to submit a list of specific activities of the Council of the Czech-Chinese Center at Charles University since its establishment, including sources of their funding.