Minutes from the meeting in the International Club

Tuesday, 24 June 2008

Participants: Janne Hansen (JAHN), Margit Schacht (MSC); Ngonidzashe Chirinda (NGCH), Kirsten Østergaard (KOS), Ejner Serup (ESE) and Justyna Gorzecka (JUGO)

Agenda:
1. Announcements, including info about recent activities
2. Weekend Retreat (Janne)
3. International Evening (Kirsten)
4. Status of other ongoing activities: park bench, cosy corner, transportation, etc.
5. Prioritising future activities
6. Any other business

1: The next Welcome Day will probably be held by SAFE, since it was almost only PhD students who came to the first Welcome Day. Janne has received an invitation to attend a meeting with SAFE in order to discuss how to welcome new students in a good way.

2: There has been good interest to join the weekend retreat in September. 18 people have signed up until now. There is room for app. 25 persons. We will be waiting for more participants. Kirsten will be the one to receive the money.

3: Planning of a new International Evening event. Friday, 31 October 2008 was chosen. Kirsten will be planning this event, and we will talk about it at our next meeting.

4: Ejner wanted to discuss the need of a common house near the apartments where people who live there could meet and spend time together. It is an important thing to have such a house, to promote social contacts and help people share their time off. We thought that it would be a too big project for us in the IC. It would be out of our hands to find the money for that. But we can point out the need for a house like that to the management in DJF. We agreed that Ejner should make an investigation, by talking to the people who live in the apartments now, to get some inspiration of how such a house should function. At the beginning of October he would be finished and then Janne would write a letter to Just Jensen about it.

News about the wireless Internet in Foulum: Soon everybody in the apartments will be able to connect to this.

5: IC is not an official club or union but rather a sub-committee type of construction under the Staff Club. The IC therefore has no official rules and regulations. However, in order to be democratic and refresh membership, get new ideas and give others the possibility to be elected to the steering committee, we will hold a sort of general assembly on Wednesday, 29 October 2008 at 2:00 pm.

6: Ejner pointed out that in the future he will only offer day bus trips in the countryside and not weekend trips to Copenhagen like the last one he made. He found it too big and expensive for the people living in the apartments.
7: We didn’t find a date for the next meeting yet.