

<p>ISU Local Branch Report</p> <p>ISU UiB</p>	<p>Prepared by: Christina Ziegler, Communication officer</p> <p>Date: 14.04.1008</p> <p>Prepared for: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NAi08 - Trondheim</p>
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A) ISU Local Branch Members

<i>Period Autumn 2007</i>		<i>Period Spring 2008</i>	
NAME	POSITION	NAME	POSITION
Narottam Aryal	President	Narottam Aryal	President
Dipak Sapkota	Treasurer	Dipak Sapkota	Treasurer
Christina Ziegler	Communication officer	Christina Ziegler	Communication officer
Bishnu Regmi	Political Officer	Bishnu Regmi	Member
Imtiaz Badshah	Social officer	Hiroki Soejima	Member
		Zoltan Szinyei	Member
		Rokas Kubilius	Member
		Hemanta Prasad Dangal	Member
		Frederic Marty	Social officer
		Anne LeManach	Member
		Bea Kanguro	Member

B) Summery of Activities during Academic Year 2007 - 2008

A great success was the Bergen Student hike in September 2008, where around 100 Students participated for a competitive hiking tour and common dinner at the end. The Language café was intended to approach students with a basic knowledge of Norwegian to start talking in a relaxed atmosphere having a Norwegian Student as “teacher”. Among various parties (Halloween party etc.), the major big event were the International student days. Here we arranged a food competition where students from various countries prepared and served their traditional food. Great time for everybody!

C) General Assemblies

We are having GA once every semester with an approximate number of attendees of around 40-50. Last time we tried to attract students with free hot dogs and juice which worked very well. A representative of NSU was attending the last GA. Major outcomes were the election of new members and the discussion on the ISU UiB constitution.

D) Social Activities

Major social activities were the Student hike and the language café. Former one was a great success, because Bergen is well suited for hiking trips and it was arranged as competition, with prizes for the winner and a common dinner at the end. The language café was not a bi success, because it was conducted downtown in the afternoon on a regular basis. Most students seemed either not to have time or interest. Thus, the next café will be carried out at the dormitory.

E) Cases, Campaigns and Student Politics

A great success was the campaign against the phone cut. All rooms at the dormitory (Fantoft) are connected by phones which were supposed to be cut because of financial reasons. We started a petition against it and with a list of more than 100 signatures, SIB agreed to postpone the decision until autumn 2008.

F) Comments, Evaluation and Future Improvements

We focused more on the political and academic issues than on the parties during this period. There are several other student organizations which very often organize parties. Yet, we organize the parties jointly with other organizations such as ESN, Club Fantoft, and others.

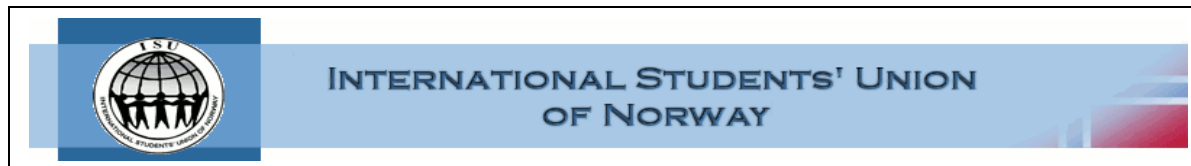
The teamwork is good. However, the major challenge is the lack of interest in the students in joining ISU. Similarly, the lack of motivation among the executive members has been another hurdle.

The suggestions for the improvement:

- ISU should be made known among more and more students.
- The webpage should be updated.
- Organize more programs

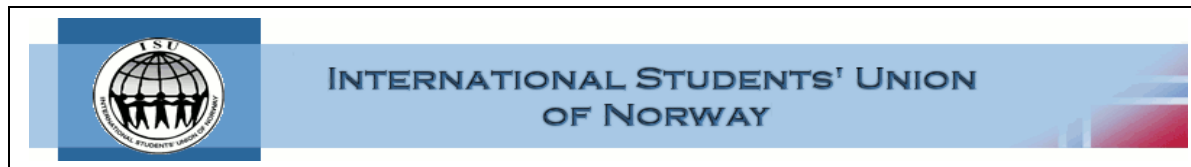
SUCCESS STORY

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Title of Activity	Petition against phone cut-off in dormitory
Objectives	Revoke decision to cut off phones by SIB
For Who	All students living at dormitory (Fantoft)
Reasons for (need)	Social and communicative
Time Frame	Two weeks
Means and Tools Used	Petition (collection of signatures from students who are against the phone cut-off)
Comments from Others	Wonderful job
Self Evaluation	Great success because decision was revoked by SIB
Suggested Improvements	Be earlier involved in decisions of SIB and clarify needs of international students.
Picture Number 1 (if any)	
Picture Number 2 (if any)	



ISU expenses: Autumn 2007

Activities/Programmes	Expenses	Month	Income
ISU national assembly	2712	Oct	23635 (handed over money in account)
International cultural night	4180	Oct	4180 (from Ut. I Bergen)
Money paid to club Fantoft (pub quiz+cultural food night+Halloween party+bhangra party+julebord+goodbye party+table soccer tournament+institutional support)	11700	Oct/Nov/Dec	1373 (handed over money-cash)
ISU Bergen general meeting	304	Oct	
Signature collection programme	290	Dec	
Farewell party contribution at Studentent	1500	Dec	
Total	19186		29188
Currently in account	8629		
Currently cash in hand	1373		
Total	29188		29188



Tentative expenses for the 2008 Spring and Autumn

Activities	Amount
Welcome parties (spring & autumn)	10000
Goodbye parties (spring & autumn)	5000
Boat trip	10000
International cultural night	5000
Support to club Fantoft	5000
ISU national assembly	5000
Parties and pub quiz	15000
Webmaster hiring	6000
Total	61000