## Agenda for Activist Meeting at 7 p.m. 26. October 2016

- 1. Choosing the Secretary and Moderator
- 2. Approval of the agenda
- 3. Present

### **Recent activities:**

- 4. 12.-18. Sep.: Mini-Actions for the refugee campaign
- 5. 30. Sep.: Frivillig Fredag from Torvet in Nørresundby
- 6. 6. Oct.: Social gathering by the AIAAU group targeted international students
- 7. 12. Oct.: The New to North Denmark Fair at Nordkraft
- 8. 13. Oct.: Inspiration- and Workshop Event about the refugee campaign at Amnesty
- 9. 19. Oct.: Human Rights Café at Amnesty
- 10. Other recent activities?

## Upcoming events / ideas:

- 11. 5. Nov.: Campaignseminar in Odense
- 12. 15. Nov.-Dec.: Write for Rights marathon
- 13. 16. Nov., 7 p.m.: Human Rights Café at Amnesty
- 14. 10. Dec.: Unknown global event related to the refugee campaign
- 15. 10. Dec.: Walk for Friendliness in Aalborg
- 16. Dec.: Organize a public potluck Christmas dinner
- 17. Nov. 2016 July 2017: DGI Sport event in Aalborg
- 18. Other upcoming events / ideas?
- organize meeting/workshop/lecture about how to contact people on behalf of Amnesty?
- get Amnesty Aalborg on Instagram?
- 19. Any other business?
- Face<sub>2</sub>Face temporarily leaving Aalborg
- Movie on refugees in Biffen, by DFUNK
- Sending postcards to other Amnesty groups worldwide.
- 20. Date and time of next meeting?

ad 1: Secretary: Edgar Moderator: Emma

#### ad 2: Approved

#### ad 3: Present: Emma, Mirela, Liza, Edgar

**ad 4:** After the last Activist Meeting on 13. Sep. we had a small "#I Welcome" action to kick start the Refugee campaign. The activities continued all week.

We did #IWelcome week of action around town with spreading stickers and writing the hashtag with chalk. We also made a lot of photos and small publicity online.

**ad 5:** 30. Sep. there was "Frivillig Fredag" (Voluntary Friday) with a walk over Limfjordsbroen followed by musical entertainment as well as awards for the volunteers of the year in Aalborg Municipality at Folkekirkens Hus. Lars, Giedre and Peter took part with Amnesty clothing, badges and banners.

Ad 6: No comments.

ad 7: Oct. 12. we were present at the New To North Fair at Nordkraft.

For the fair next year we ought to have business cards as well as more material in English - including info about the Amnesty Aalborg group. We should also have tempting features like cake and other kinds of "bait".

# ad 8: 13. Oct.: Inspiration- and Workshop Event about the refugee campaign at Amnesty

13. Oct. 13. we had an inspirational meeting and workshop at our office on Danmarksgade about the Refugee campaign.

KEYWORDS for the Refugee campaign:

- The Refugee campaign will last for 3 years until 2019.

- In the next few months, the campaign will be focused on the refugees in <u>neighboring</u> areas to their countries of origin (86% of the world's refugees are in neighboring areas).

- In Denmark, we are working with <u>refugees</u>. Not e.g. immigrants.

- The overall theme of the campaign in Denmark right now is "<u>the right to security</u>" (right to escape to safe areas, to seek asylum, to be secure from war and persecution etc.). That means we work with rights – not e.g. integration.

- Overall we want to keep the campaign <u>positive</u>. E.g. we do not want so much focus on images of jam-packed boats with refugees, but instead the good stories about specific people.

- <u>Syria</u> and <u>Eritrea</u> is among the countries we focus on.

Planned PEAKS for the campaign so far:

- 10. Dec. 2016: We will receive suggestions for activities from the Secretariat, but we are free to chose other activities. So we expect to be able to make another "Walk for Friendliness" in Aalborg.

- March 8, 2017 on International Women's Day.

- 2017: Folkemødet on Bornholm.

- Sep. 2017: Ungdommens Folkemøde.

We will receive materials and suggestions for activities during the campaign – also outside of the intended peaks - but generally we are pretty free to choose what we want to do within the framework of the campaign.

When we are on the streets to talk to people, we ought to try to turn the conversation into something positive in accordance with the key words for the campaign.

We will try to contact the refugees in Aalborg and get them to tell "the good story". E.g. via Instagram.

We will organize a Walk for Friendliness on Human Rights Day 10. Dec.

We are considering to recreate a Walk for Friendliness on World Refugee Day 20. June 2017.

ad 9: The Human Rights Café on 19. Oct. was cancelled.

**ad 10:** The Secretariat has created a Facebook group for particularly interested Amnesty Denmark activists on https://www.facebook.com/groups/108144706320588/

ad 11: The Campaignseminar in Odense on 5. Nov. is coming up.

SIGN UP: Write to aktivservice@amnesty.dk and sign up as soon as possible.

Who is going: Emma, Edgar, Peter, anyone else.

If you are a vegetarian, need extra help because of a disability or you are in need of

interpretation from Danish into English, then please notify about this at the registration.

PRICE: Participation in the seminar is free - and all your travel expenses over 300 DKK is reimbursed - this applies to both members and non-members - (if you travel by train on standard class), and young people who are still studying can have all travel expenses reimbursed.

**ad 12:** The Write for Rights campaign is cancelled for most of us activists this year – it will only be introduced to school classes. Instead, we will focus our efforts on the Refugees campaign (see item 14 and 15 for more info).

**ad 13:** The Human Rights cafés has been temporary cancelled. For now we are focusing on other activities, but if someone wants to coordinate these activities, we can restart the café'es.

**ad 14:** Instead of the Write for Rights campaign Amnesty plans a big global event(s) on Human Rights Day 10. Dec. (see item 15 for more info).

**ad 15:** We will create a "migration for proper treatment of refugees" event on Human Rights Day 10 Dec. We must start to organize the event, inviting other organizations to planning meetings etc. The KO-group will find a date for the first planning meeting.

There will be an exhibition. We need to look into that, and discuss it in the ko-gruppe.

Send a mail to Peter at frivillig@amnesty-aalborg.dk, if you want to be part of the planning group or simply want to know more.

**ad 16:** Anyone who wants to plan our public potluck Christmas dinner? **Edgar** suggested to make a public dinner in 1000fryd with donations.

ad 17: DGI national games in Aalborg on 29. June to 2. July 2017.

DGI and Aalborg Municipality wants a diverse national games event, which allows Amnesty to be part of it. De Frivilliges Hus has specifically asked us if we would join. There are several opportunities to participate with a team – or as an individual who wants to join a team.

However, from the beginning of 2017 you will need to train at least once per week with your chosen sports/dance/motion team to be ready for the main event in June/July next year.

Can we participate with a team related to the Refugee campaign? Or do people want to participate individually? We have to sign people up at De Frivilliges Hus before 1. November, so send a mail to Peter at frivillig@amnesty-aalborg.dk, if you want to know more.

We assumed that we are late for this and we might need to skip this.

ad 18)

- When will we have a meeting/workshop/lecture about how to contact people on behalf of Amnesty?

Edgar suggests role play game event, or something alike.

- Is it time to get Amnesty Aalborg on Instagram? We will try making an Instagram account, based on positive experience from AAU group.

- The Main Board of Amnesty Denmark will have their next board meeting at our office in Aalborg 3.-4. Dec. (Saturday and Sunday). They want to meet the local activists, probably one of the two days. So mark the days in your calendar. More info will follow on the Facebook group.

#### We need to clean the office before that.

**ad 19:** For the time being Face2Face is not using our office. They expect to come back to Aalborg again in March/April 2017.

- Face2Face temporarily leaving Aalborg Peter should contact the facer group to return our badges!!!

- Movie on refugees in Biffen, by DFUNK

Edgar is gathering activists to go and watch the movie.

- Edgar asks Hans about Folkevandring and Krystallnat

ad 20:

- There is an online course from Amnesty on the refugees which starts on 12. of November.

Feedback:

We should improve our agenda structure.

Next meeting: 16th of November at 19:00