Defence of the Master Degree Thesis

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Dissertation Theme: Parental Parents’ Voice: Concerns, barriers and benefits of Parental Involvement for children with Autism in Malaysia

The Course of the defence:

1. Introduction of the dissertation theme by its author
   - Purpose and significance of the study, Interconnections with important international documents were mentioned
   - Introduction of the key theories that the author stemmed from, context of the research was introduced

2. Research methodology was introduced (research questions identification, research sample)
   - Limitations of the study were articulated, Findings, recommendations were articulated

3. Opinion of the consultant and the reviewer were put forth (Consultant’s report and Reviewer’s report are set in)
   - During the viva the student proved a good base in theoretical background, however did not manage to fulfil the time limit for presentation. Findings were presented in rather general way than connected with autism.
   - You have worked with Malaysian parents; you have studied Czech school system. What did you surprise you in compare with researches (Strnadova, I.; Hajkova, V., 2011, etc.) positively and negatively? The research sample was not too extensive. Please describe the way how you chose your informants.
   - Were you satisfied by your findings? Was there anything that you were surprised about?

4. Student’s opinion and comments were verbalized, questions were answered.

5. Final evaluation: Very good research report, (2, 68)