

## **Minutes from the SALC board meeting, March 29th, 2017, 15.00 CET,**

Where: on Skype, Participating: Mila Vulchanova, Marlene Johansson Falck, Esa Penttilä, Jordan Zlatev, Tore Nasset, Tiina Onikki, and Kristian Tylén

### **1. The meeting is opened by SALC's President**

### **2. Appointment of chair for the meeting**

Mila was appointed chair of the meeting

### **3. Appointment of keeper of the minutes**

Kristian was appointed keeper of the minutes

### **4. Approval of the agenda**

Approved

### **5. Appointment of two members to check the minutes**

Jordan and Eppu was elected to check the minutes

### **6. Nominations for SALC Board**

Mila has been in contact with Elisabeth Engberg Petersen (chair of the nominating committee). She passed on some of the nominations for the board elections, but not for all countries (Norway, Sweden and Finland are missing). It seems that nominating committee members have been in contact with potential nominees in some countries but there is currently no compiled list. Mila will take contact to the nominating committee members from Sweden, Norway and Finland to inquire about nominations. We need in all (at least) 9 board member nominees and (at least) one nominee for president.

The board agrees to make a change to the constitution to change the process for nominations. Kristian will draft a change that imply that in the future there will be no nominating committee, rather it will be possible to nominate members for the board up until the election itself (directly "from the floor"). The plan is to have a vote for the change and if it is approved by the general assembly we will welcome nominations immediately for the current round of board member elections.

### **7. How to organize the members' meeting**

President and treasurer should prepare reports for the meeting.

### **8. In preparation for a motion to include new member countries to be discussed at General meeting**

Mila present her and Eppu's suggestion for a procedure for inclusion of new countries in SALC. One of the challenges of enrolling new country

members is that it could come with a change of name and constitution. Another point is that the draft seems to open for the potential inclusion of any country also geographically far from Scandinavia. It is discussed whether the text should state 'neighboring countries'. Additionally, Jordan suggests that the process should imply applicant countries to make a brief motivating 'live' presentation at the General Assembly, based on which the General Assembly can make a vote. The board decides to effectuate this already for the upcoming General Assembly and communicate this to the applicant countries. Jordan will add a section on this to the to the procedure text. If the two thirds of the General Assembly vote for inclusion of the new member then they will be de facto members of SALC. But as their full integration in SALC requires another change of the constitution the actual effectuation will only happen at the general assembly of the following SALC conference two years later, when the new member will have representatives on the board. That gives the board some time to prepare the suggestion for changes to the constitution.

#### **9. Progress with SALC 6 Conference**

The program is ready and people are being appointed to chair the sessions. Jordan asks board members to chair sessions.

#### **10. Routledge (see Eppu's e-mail)**

No SALC member has so far taken advantage of the discounted subscription. Routledge would like to continue the arrangement but suggest to make a special linked page with special relevant book titles of potential interest for SALC members. Eppu has suggested a list of titles but it has to be considerably shortened. Board members will send their suggestions by the end of the week to Eppu, who will prepare a final list.

#### **11. Any other business**

Should we have a special issue or a proceeding coming out of SALC6? Jordan reminds the board of the publication that came out of SALC1, which was a very open and general call. It will require extra work by board members. Jordan will inquire among the younger local organizers whether they would be willing to take this work upon themselves.

Next venue for SALC: Aarhus will prepare a bid to be presented at the General Assembly.

#### **12. Next board meeting**

The board will meet Friday April 21st 14:30 to complete the preparations for the Assembly.

**13. The meeting is closed by the chair of the meeting**  
Signing on behalf of the board

Keeper of the minutes



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Kristian Tylén

Checker of the minutes



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Esa Penttilä

Checker of the minutes



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Jordan Zlatev