

AGENDA

The Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition Governing Board meeting

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Hour: 16.00 (i.e. 17.00 Finnish time)

Place: on Skype

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2. Appointment of chair for the meeting
3. Appointment of keeper of the minutes
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Appointment of two members to check the minutes
6. Progress with SALC 6 Conference
7. Student scholarships for SALC 6
8. Update of SALC website
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Minutes

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Present: Tiina Onikki-Rantajääskö (TOR), Marlene Johansson Falck (MJF), Line Burholt Kristensen (LBK), Kristian Tylén (KT), Tore Nasset (TN), Esa Penttilä (EP) and Jordan Zlatev (JZ)

1. The meeting is opened by SALC's President

In the absence of the president, vice-president KT opened the meeting

2. Appointment of chair for the meeting

Vice-president KT was appointed chair of the meeting

3. Appointment of keeper of the minutes

Secretary LBK was appointed keeper of the minutes.

4. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved

5. Appointment of two members to check the minutes

MJF & JZ were appointed to check the minutes.

6. Progress with SALC 6 Conference

- **Plenary speakers:** The organizers have received the titles from the plenary speakers and arranged transportation and hotel reservations.
- **Presentations:** The organizers have accepted 94 oral presentations and 14 posters, but not all poster presenters have confirmed that they will participate. For one of the theme sessions only 4 talks were accepted, so the duration of this session will be reduced.
- **Program:** The preliminary program will be sent out soon. The plan is to have appr. 36 talks on day 1, 36 talks on day 2 and 22 talks on day 3. Day 1 and day 2 will start with a plenary talk from 9 am to 10 am and end with a plenary talk from 5 pm to 6 pm. On day 3 there will also be a plenary at the start and end – times are being determined. Registration opens on the 19th in the evening.
- **Chairing of sessions:** SALC board members and other members of the Scientific Committee will be asked to chair sessions.
- **Business meeting:** The business meeting will take one hour. It was suggested to place the business meeting before the plenary talk on day 2 to attract participants. At the business meeting we should also decide the venue for next meeting. It could be in Denmark, e.g. Aarhus. KT will make inquiries at Aarhus University.

- **Candidates for SALC board:** KT will ask Mila Vulchanova (MV) to contact the nominating committee. It was suggested that MV sends out a SALC newsletter to ask members to nominate themselves. The deadline for nominations is 4 weeks before the conference, so the newsletter should be sent out soon. LBK will not continue as secretary, and MJF may not continue as treasurer either, so it is important that one of the Swedish candidates is interested in taking over as treasurer, and that one of the other candidates (possibly a Finnish candidate) could take over as secretary. It has become a tradition that the president is elected among the local conference organizers for the sake of rotation – but is not a general rule.

7. Student scholarships for SALC 6

MV and LBK have only received one application, from Sofia Stroustrup (Aarhus, Denmark). MJF has contacted Sofia and will transfer the money to her. It was discussed how to attract more applications for the next conference, and it was suggested to communicate broader and earlier on.

8. Update of SALC website

The website has a new layout. All board members are encouraged to send photos from previous SALC conferences and to send news.

LBK will change the text on the membership page, so that the membership fee is shown in Swedish kronor (300 SEK/200 SEK) and with the correct year.

9. Any other business

- **Membership fee:** MJF reminded the board members to pay the membership fee.
- **SALC prize for best student paper:** Six students have already signed up. Carita Lundmark will be the head of the committee. EP, TOR, TN and KT will join the committee. KT is co-authoring one of the papers, so he will not be assigned to evaluate that paper. Since we only awarded one student scholarship, SALC will give 2000 SEK to the prize winner.
- **Routledge partnership agreement:** EP will ask Routledge to renew the partnership agreement.
- **Newsletter:** EP suggested that MV sends out a newsletter at least 4 weeks before the conference to inform about the conference and to encourage members to nominate themselves for the SALC board.
- **Extending SALC to other countries:** It was discussed if the board should make a proposal at the business meeting to change the SALC constitution to include more countries. Very few members from the relevant countries will attend this year's conference, so it was decided that we do not propose to change the constitution, but to propose a procedure for how to extend SALC in the future. EP, JZ and MV will make draft for a proposal to discuss at the next board meeting.
- **Honorary member:** MJF and JZ suggested making Ulf Magnusson an honorary member of SALC. The board supported the suggestion. The local organizers will arrange a ceremony.

10. Next board meeting

The next board meeting will be held late March or at the beginning of April. LBK will send out a doodle.

11. The meeting is closed by the chair of the meeting

Meeting closed by KT.

Minutes taken by

Line Burholt (24/2-2017)

Line Burholt Kristensen
Secretary of SALC

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Member of the Governing Board of SALC

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