

The Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition Governing Board meeting

Call

The members of the board are invited to the winter 2015 board meeting.

Date: January 29, 2015

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

Place: on Skype

Agenda

1. The meeting is opened by SALC's President
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. The President's report
7. The Treasurer's report
8. Preparations for the next SALC V conference in NTNU – Trondheim, Norway
9. Student grants for SALC V
10. Preparations for SALC VI
11. Preparations for nominating the next SALC Governing Board
12. Next SALC newsletter to the membership list
13. Any other business
14. Next board meeting
15. The meeting is closed by the chair of the meeting

The Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition
Governing Board meeting

Minutes from Governing Board meeting January 29th 2015 16.00 on Skype

Present: Carita Lundmark (CL), Esa Penttilä (EP), Jóhanna Barðdal (JB), Kristian Tylén (KT), Line Burholt Kristensen (LBK), Marlene Johansson Falck (MJF), Mila Vulchanova (MV) and Tiina Onikki-Rantajääskö (TOR). Only point 8-10: Jordan Zlatev (JZ). Only from point 8: Carita Paradis (CP).

1. The meeting is opened by SALC's President

The meeting was opened by SALC's President EP.

2. Appointment of chair for the meeting

EP was appointed chair of the meeting.

3. Appointment of keeper of the minutes

LBK was appointed keeper of the minutes.

4. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved without changes.

5. Appointment of two members to check the minutes

KT and JB were appointed to check the minutes

6. The President's report

EP gave his report, and it was discussed.

- In 2014, the SALC governing board has held two meetings: one in February and one in June.
- The board had plans for a SALC workshop in Umeå on 3–4 June 2014 with participation by the members of the Governing Board. Marlene Johansson Falck made preparations, but eventually the workshop was cancelled (because of time tabling issues).
- SALC V will take place at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, August 19-21 2015. MV has chaired the organizing committee and the board offered help and discussed various issues related to the conference, e.g. decided to invite CP as the one plenary speaker whose expenses will be paid by SALC.
- SALC joined a partnership programme with Routledge: Routledge offers a 20% discount to SALC members provided that SALC shows the Routledge logo on the SALC website. However, there is currently no logo on the website. LBK will ask the webmaster to put up the logo. EP will ask Routledge if they want to continue the partnership.
- A SALC newsletter was sent out to the membership list on 20 March 2014.
- A Dropbox folder with files for the governing board has been established. MJF will update the files and send out a link to the board members.

7. The Treasurer's report

MJF gave her report, and it was discussed.

- SALC currently has 38 members. 3 current members renewed their membership in 2014, and 1 new member joined SALC in 2014. The balance of the SALC account is 26.000 Swedish kronor (2800 EURO). This amount includes the content of the former Paypal account and the former Euro account. The treasurer has paid for the web account in January 2014 (350 Swedish kronor) and in January 2015 (393 Swedish kronor).
- NORDEA charges a bank fee of 1300 kronor in 2014 and 850 kronor in 2015. It was discussed whether the account should be moved to a different bank. Moving the account would be a lot of administrative work, so it was decided to continue with NORDEA.
- MV asked if the organizers of SALC V should differentiate between SALC members who have paid the fee in 2014, on the one hand and members who need to renew their 2-year membership on the other hand. When paying the SALC V conference fee, membership of

SALC V is included in the price, so if a person joins the SALC association before registering for SALC V, that person will pay twice for 2015. It was decided that everybody who register for SALC V will be charged for the membership – including those who paid the membership fee in 2014. However, MJF will make sure that she (or the next treasurer) will reimburse an amount worth of 1 year of membership to the one person who joined SALC in 2014 (assuming that this particular person also joins SALC V).

8. Preparations for the next SALC V conference in NTNU – Trondheim, Norway

- MV has received 90 submissions for SALC V. The abstracts are very diverse and international. MV did not extend the deadline as the number of abstracts was overwhelming. MV will establish the thematic areas of the abstracts and send out the abstracts for review per email. All SALC committee members will be part of the scientific reviewing committee. It was decided to have two reviewers per abstract and to use a 5-level rating system
- The conference lasts 2.5 days. There will be 1 main session and 3 thematic sessions. MV will consult the board later in the process, e.g. regarding the need for more parallel sessions.
- The organizers will make use of a university conference service. Some small fees will be charged for this service.
- MV asked the board about preferences for the conference venue. One option is to use the Dragvoll campus in the hills. This location is 6 km from downtown but there is a bus service. Another option is to book a university conference location in town close to hotels. MV expects that a conference at the Dragvoll campus will attract more local researchers to the conference, but also that this location is less convenient for those staying in hotels. The board agreed that MV should make the final decision between the two suggested locations.
- MV will give the participants hotel suggestions, but participants must book hotels on their own (except for the keynote speakers). MV does not expect hotels in Trondheim to be overbooked during the period.

9. Student grants for SALC V

- MV will send out an email to everyone who has submitted an abstract to SALC stating that there are 3 junior scholar grants each worth 500 EUR. In order to apply, the applicant's abstract should be accepted for SALC V.
- The board appointed a committee consisting of EP, JB and MV responsible for writing and sending out a call for student grant applications and for making assessments of the incoming grant applications. To apply for a grant, the applicants must send an email with information about their research project and why they need the grant).

10. Preparations for SALC VI

JZ suggested Umeå as a possible conference location for SALC VI, and MJF suggested a cooperation between Umeå and Lund. Marlene will ask around in Umeå to check whether it is possible to have the conference there. The final decision on the location will be made in Trondheim.

11. Preparations for nominating the next SALC Governing Board

EP will contact the chair of the nominating committee (Elisabeth Engberg-Pedersen) to ask her for nominations. EP will also give her a deadline so the nominations can be made in due time.

12. Next SALC newsletter to the membership list

EP will send out a newsletter in February. Everybody can send suggestions for the newsletter to EP by 15th of February, and EP will post a draft on dropbox.

13. Any other business

No points were raised

14. Next board meeting

MV will contact the board when she needs input for SALC V.

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

The meeting was closed by EP.

Minutes taken by

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