

Minutes of the SWESSE board meeting (styrelse protokoll)

Thursday 21st May, Luleå

Board members present

Irene Gilsean Nordin, Jean Hudson, Stuart Robertson, Anna Swärdh, Magnus Ullén

Apologies received from

Mats Deutschman, Anna Wårnsby

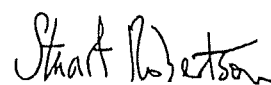
1. President Irene Gilsean Nordin opened the meeting
2. Jean Hudson agreed to confirm the minutes of the meeting
3. The minutes from the board meeting on 10th February 2015 were accepted.
4. The agenda for the meeting today was accepted.
5. President Irene Gilsean Nordin reported that since the last national forum she had attended the ESSE board meeting in Romania and was participating in a committee planning the next ESSE conference to be held in Galway, Ireland in 1916. Irene has prepared and sent to SWESSE members annual newsletters. Irene reported that she will represent SWESSE in Portugal at the next ESSE board meeting to be held in August 2015. Irene thanked Jean Hudson and Magnus Ullén for their work chairing the panels judging the SWESSE BA essay prizes (awarded for the first time 21st May 2015). Both Jean and Magnus agreed to remain chairs for the next period, though the board agreed that new members of each panel should be sought from amongst the membership.
 - 5.1. The thirteenth ESSE conference will take place in Galway, Monday 22 August — Friday 26 August 2016. SWESSE have nominated a subplenary lecturer (see item nine below).
6. Anna Wårnsby has resigned from the role of treasurer and from the board. Anna Swärdh has temporarily taken over the role of treasurer.
7. There are approximately 210 members. No change to the membership is proposed.
8. Jean Hudson suggested Maria Wiktorsson as auditor for the next period. Jean will liaise between treasurer Anna Swärdh and Maria Wiktorsson.
9. On behalf of SWESSE Irene nominated Monica Karlsson as a sub plenary lecturer for ESSE 13 (Galway August 2015) with the title "Does visualization enhance students' comprehension and retention of L2 idioms?"
10. Mats Deutschman has resigned from the board and Stuart Robertson has been nominated to take on the role of webmaster. Stuart reported that the site was live and secure. Information about conferences was being added as members submitted it and Stuart was working to include information from every Swedish university under the heading 'English Studies in Sweden'. Suggestions for the site will be sought from amongst the membership. Information about the SWESSE Essay prize and winners will be added to the site.
11. Irene will circulate details of the next meeting, likely to be held online in October 2015.
12. There was no other business.



Irene Gilsean Nordin
President



Jean Hudson
Vice president



Stuart Robertson
Secretary