

Minutes of the SWESSE General Meeting

Friday 28th April 0900, Jönköping university (Room Hb116)

Present

17 members were present and four members of the board.

Apologies received from

Jean Hudson, Lydia Kokkola, and Magnus Ullén.

1. Philip Shaw was elected to chair the meeting.
2. Philip opened the meeting.
3. Anna Swärdh was appointed to confirm the minutes of the meeting.
4. The agenda was approved.
5. President Irene Gilsean Nordin offered her president's report. Irene described her attendance at ESSE meetings on behalf of the society. Irene reminded members that the [14th ESSE Conference](#) will be held in 2018 (29 August – 2 September 2018, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic). <http://www.esse2018brno.org>

The first [ESSE Doctoral Symposium](#) will take place in Thessaloníki, Greece on 28-29 August 2017.

Irene thanked the members of the *valberedning* for their work in consulting members and identifying society members who are willing to join the board

Irene thanked the members of the SWESSE Thesis awards committees. Magnus Ullén and Jean Hudson will step down from the respective committees and new members appointed. The literature committee will be coordinated by Irene Gilsean Nordin and the linguistics committee chaired by Solveig Granath.

6. Anna Swärdh offered her report as treasurer. There are approximately 200 members at present. Anna thanked Maria Wiktorsson and Julie Skogs for their work as auditors.
7. New board members were elected. The new SWESSE president is Professor Terry Walker (Mid-Sweden university) and the new vice president Åke Persson (University West). Marie Nordlund (Luleå Technical University) was elected as a member of the board Hannah Neuser was elected as the doctoral student representative to the board.

8. Irene Gilsenan Nordin awarded the SWESSE Thesis Awards for Literature and Linguistics.
9. Monica Karlsson from *Högskolan i Halmstad* has agreed to host the National Forum in 2019.
10. There was no other business. The next SWESSE board meeting will take place in spring 2018 (time and place to be arranged).
11. The chairman Philip Shaw closed the meeting.



Terry Walker

Stuart Robertson



Anna Swärdh