



## **Board Meeting, March 8, Online**

### **Present**

Kristy Beers Fägersten, President  
Annika Denke, Vice-president  
Anna Swärdh, Treasurer  
Tim Roberts, Secretary  
Marie Nordlund, Ordinary member  
Parvin Gheitasi, Ordinary member

#### **1. The meeting opens at 14.00**

#### **2. AI Discussion**

The board discusses the extent to which AI has become a pressing issue at various universities in Sweden. It is obvious from the discussion that the impact of AI is a topic that concerns everyone. The board decides to invite members to a discussion on AI that will take place next month online. Joe Trotta will be invited to start the discussion with a brief presentation on his work on AI and English teaching at university level.

#### **3. Committees for SWESSE best essay awards**

Denise Bergström joins the committee for education. Tim Roberts and Josep Soler join the committee for linguistics. One further member for the linguistics committee needs to be found.

#### **4. National Forum 2024**

It is decided that SWESSE can help fund travel and accommodation for a keynote speaker.

#### **5. Board changes**

Marie Nordlund is retiring so she will step down from the board from the next general assembly. A new auditor needs to be found in addition to Dusan Stamenkovic.

#### **6. Funding from SWESSE**

SWESSE nominated Roberto de Valle Alcalá and Andrea Schalley to participate in a parallel lecture series at The European Society for the Study of English (ESSE) conference in 2024, which takes place in Switzerland. The nominees can ask for support from ESSE, but as this is not a sufficient sum to fund the entire trip, SWESSE agrees to fund them 3000kr each.

A doctoral student also asked if there is funding available for them to go to ESSE. They can ask for money from ESSE also, but this would not cover all costs incurred. On the basis that SWESSE wishes to promote collaboration between SWESSE and ESSE, the board agrees that we can offer up to 2000kr to reimburse some costs.

**7. Other business**

Kristy Beers Fägersten is also likely to represent the board at the ESSE conference in Switzerland.

**8. Meeting closed 14.30.**