Minutes - The General Assembly 2016

The General Assembly of the Association was held at the University of Helsinki on August 12th 2016 (17.30-18.30).

Case 1. Meeting of assembly and recording of attendance.

The General Assembly was constituted and participants were enrolled in a separate annex. There were 26 participants and all five national associations were present with at least one representative.

Case 2. Election of chairman, secretary and two scrutiniser of the minutes

Resolution:
Inger Marie Hagen was elected as chairman for the meeting and Lars-Erik Becken as secretary for the minutes. Olli Pyyhtinen and Mari Toivanen (cases 1-9, Mikko Lagerspetz for cases 10-11) were appointed to sign the minutes.

Case 3. Approval of the notice and agenda

Information about the general assembly and supporting documents were posted on the website of the Association a month before the meeting (as required by the Statutes).

Resolution:
The notice and agenda for the general assembly were approved.


Chairman Sirpa Wrede was on sick leave and could not attend The General Assembly. The former Vice Chairman Pelle K. Sorensen (now the new chairman) presented the activity report for August 2014 - August 2016

Resolution:
The General assembly approves the report from the board. The general assembly thanks Sirpa Wrede for her excellent leadership of the association.
Case 5. Approval Accounts for 2014-15, incl. Auditor’s confirmation

Secretary and treasurer Lars-Erik Becken presented the accounting report for 2014-2015 and documented that an external auditor has audited it.

Resolution:


The Board's proposes the following activity plan for the next period:
1. Finalize a new publishing agreement for ACTA Sociologica by the end of 2016
2. Support the editors of ACTA Sociologica
3. Maintain the discussion about the position of Acta among the international journals
4. Support the efforts to strengthen the cooperation between Nordic journal editors
5. Provide funds or specific activities to support the sociology in the Nordic countries
6. Support the efforts to arrange the next Nordic sociologist congress in Aalborg in 2018

Resolution:
The General assembly supports the proposed Activity Plan for the next congress period.

Case 7 and 8. Budget forthcoming period (2016-2018), as well as approval of the membership fee

Secretary and treasurer Lars-Erik Becken presented the budget for the forthcoming period (2016-2018),

Resolution:
The membership fee is unchanged
The Board is authorized to take the final priorities in the budgets for 2016-2018.

Case 9. ACTA

The Editors provided a presentation on the journal’s current situation.

Résolution:
The General assembly approves the Acta editors’ report. The journal appears to be well taken care of.
Case 10. Election of auditor

Resolution:

The Board is authorized to select an external auditor.

Case 11. Other matters

No other affairs have been presented for the General Assembly.

Referent Lars-Erik Becken

11.10.2016 Olli Pyyhtinen

9.10.2016 (justerar punktet 1-9 av protokollet)
Mari Toivanen

Justierar punkt 10 och
11 av protokollet.
6.10.2016
Mikko Lagerspetz