

NACS General Assembly

Hótel Reykjavík October 1st

1. Approving the invitation and the agenda

Approved by the GA

2. Electing the Chair, Secretary and two Tellers and Inspectors for the Assembly

Chair: Tonny Bønløkke Hertz

Co-chair: Sigga Dögg

Secretary: Hanna Byström ¹

Tellers: Birgitte Schauntz Laursen & Maria Carola Bure

Inspectors: Tore H. Follestad & Satu Söderström

3. Approving the minutes of the previous General Assembly

Approved by the GA

4. Approving the last year's Accounts, Financial Statement, and an Annual Report

No accounts or financial statements to approve and an annual report hasn't been made due to not too many meetings and Corona pandemic.

5. Approving the Annual Action Plan, the Budget and membership fees for the upcoming year

No Annual Action Plan has been made, no budget as no membership fees have been payed (due to no account), and hence nothing to approve.

6. Decide on membership issues

One application has been sent in to the board from Sexpo in Finland to be a professional organization member. The board will decide in the next meeting on a provisional membership of 1 year and then it is to be approved by the General Assembly for the full membership. If the application is rejected by the board, the applicant may submit the application for revision to the General Assembly, which will decide on the provisional membership.

The membership can be terminated by the Board in case of misconduct or breach of NACS Statutes or aims and values (§2). The member may file a complaint of the Board's decision to the Ethical Committee of NACS, which examines the case. If the Ethical Committee dismisses the case, the termination of membership will prevail. If the Ethical Committee accepts the complaint, the next General Assembly will decide on the termination of the membership

7. Registration in Finland and adjusting the statutes so the registration can be fulfilled.

(There are 2 registrations in Finland)

7a) NACS board registration – Tiina & Tommi 15 min

Tiina and Tommi presenting: See attached PDF.

Q: is NACS now formally registered in Finland? A: yes.

Q: are the changes already amended in the statutes? A: Yes, they are already changed by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office due to Finnish law. If we are to make changes in the statutes they need to be brought back to the Finnish Patent and Registration Office and then the GA can decide upon new statutes. There was a discussion in Gothenburg in this matter.

¹ Silje-Håvard Bolstad was elected co-secretary if needed, but it was not necessary in the end.

Q: The new amendments to statutes §8 states that "The Executive Board of NACS consists of six persons elected by the General Assembly". Isn't there a risk that a member country can be left without a board member for several years? A: NACS must develop a document that specifies how the election and nominations are to be organized, and in this document it can be specified that the board must have one member from each of the six member countries.

Q: why are we building an organization in the Nordic countries when Tiina is no longer representing Fias, but her own person. A: NACS board did this work together and signed these papers – not a single person.

Q: person from EFS says they just have been through the same process of registering the organization. You have to choose one country to register the organization in due to legal aspects. Thank you Tiina for your work.

Q: how easy is it for us to change the statutes next year – if we want to? A: you can do it, but it may take some time. Any proposals can be sent to the NACS board and then dealt with.

7b) New NACS registration

Satu presenting: See attached PDF.

Q: which members have approved this new registration? A: only Finland.

Q: why is there another organization that has registered NACS when there already was an open registration made by NACS? Answer: Hannu is temporary president for that organization until we can choose a new board.

Q: doesn't the GA need to decide on the amendments (already) made to the statutes? Answer: the GA cannot make legal decisions that contradict Finnish law. What we can do is another amendment and then send it back to the Finnish Patent and Registration Office.

Q: how do we move forward with the two NACS-registrations? Answer: as we already have decided and signed the documents from 2018 there is, at the moment, only that NACS to consider.

8. Authorization committee /criteria

Authorization committee had a meeting yesterday and decided that all countries are to send a proposal on how to move forward and how to interpret the criteria regarding SCS and NACSES.

Q: are you changing the criteria to the authorizations and if so are you acknowledging that people are already enrolled in educations? Answer: the NACSAC are not changing criteria but rather sending a proposal on how to move forward (how each country want the SCS and NACSES to be) and how to interpret the criteria. Any concerns are to be sent to your national authorization group and of course be considered so that as many as possible can be authorized.

Q: it seems that there are different documents in the countries regarding the criteria for the authorizations. He proposes that the one document is published on the new NACS website

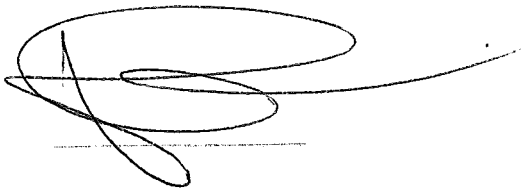
and that the NACS curriculum group is started again. Also proposes a transitional period so that people who are seeking authorizations by the old criteria will be considered due to these.

It is decided that the NACS curriculum group meet afterwards and decide on how to move forward and choose chairs of the group.

9. **Other matters**

Next conference: Paul says next conference is in Tarttu probably 30th September- 2nd of October

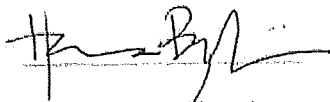
Signed by:



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