

Minutes of the Meeting of the Norslis Board, May 5-6, Vilnius

In attendance: Olle Persson (Sweden, Chair), Peter Ingwersen (Denmark), Pertti Vakkari (Finland), Ágústa Pálsdóttir (Iceland), Audrone Glosiene (Lithuania) and Nils Pharo (Norway, vara for Niels W. Lund)

The meeting opened at 14.00

1. Evaluation of the 2005 activities. The board discussed the activities of 2005, in general the attendance was good. Norslis has not yet been informed about how, when or if NORFA will do an internal evaluation of Norslis. For Norslis' own records the main representatives send in short descriptions of the activities. Unfortunately very few students fill in the evaluation form.

Also there are too few students applying for the mobility support, this should be better promoted by supervisors and on the students email lists.

The board discussed the ECTS recommendations, and decided that courses from now on should be recommended as representing 5 ECTS.

2. The 2006 plan and budget. The plans for 2006 were discussed and we agreed that things work well. There have been very few applications for mobility support, but we expect that to change when students start planning for going to conferences and doctoral workshops this autumn. The administration works ok, in order to reduce the number of invoices there was a discussion on how to implement daily allowance. The discussion ended with the decision:

„Students and lecturers may apply for daily allowance as part of the mobility support within the Norslis network“

The budget was discussed and the board found it suitable for the 2006 plans.

3. Plans for 2007 and 2008. The courses of 2007 will be the same as in 2004 (theory and research method courses), and will most probably be arranged Borås and Copenhagen. Olle will contact Diane Sonnenwald and ask her to coordinate the Borås course, and Pia Borlund for organising the Copenhagen course. The board decided that the workshops will be on Health information, in Åbo in May and on Discourse analysis, in November. The board also decided that Olle should contact Ingerborg Sølvberg to ask her to arrange a roadshow on digital libraries in 2007. There was a discussion on the visiting professor of 2007, two topics were particularly hot: „Digital preservation“ and „Archives and records management“. The visiting professor should mainly be located in the south of Sweden (Borås and/or Lund). The board decided that „Sara coordinates the work in finding the field and person“. It was strongly suggested that the visiting should be a full professor with long experience.

4. How to continue the Norslis school after 2008. The board agreed that it was important to follow up the Norslis school after 2008 even if no external funding was possible. The leader could come from the Royal School in Copenhagen. A meeting with representatives for all 15 schools should be held in 2007. It was decided that „Olle formulates a letter to the 15 schools about the plans for continuation“.

The meeting formally ended at 11.08