



Minutes of the NHF-board meeting on Skype, 10 September 2021

Present: Board members 2020–2022

DENMARK: Sofie G. M. van't Veen

ESTONIA: Elve Lode

FINLAND: Anna-Kaisa Ronkanen

ICELAND: Tinna Þórarinsdóttir

LATVIA: Līga Klints

LITHUANIA: Diana Meilutyte-Lukauskiene and Vytautas Akstinas,

NORWAY: Kolbjørn Engeland,

SWEDEN: Linus Zhang

1-3 Opening, organization, and approval of the meeting agenda

Linus Zhang opens the meeting at 15:00 (GMT+2). Linus Zhang is appointed as the Chair and Tinna Þórarinsdóttir will write up the minutes from this meeting. The minutes will be scrutinized jointly. The meeting participants are given five days to comment on the minutes, before they are published on the website. The suggested agenda was approved.

4 Minutes from previous board meeting

Minutes from the previous board meeting 07.10.2020 are published on the website: www.nhf-hydrology.org. An extra meeting was held on Skype, 22 October 2020, in order to decide on a secretary replacement for NHF.

5 Meeting costs for this meeting

None.

6 Finances and membership

Result and balance for the year 2020

This item was skipped for the time being since the Treasurer (Martin Bergstrand) could not attend the meeting.

Membership fees 2021.

The board decides that the board members are responsible for gathering information on names and addresses of the members and institutions from their country. The

Secretary of NHF will then send out the invoices. Further discussion on the membership fees can continue later, along with the discussion regarding result and balance for the year 2020.

7 Strategy

Recruitment of institutional members, presentation of institutional members

Presentation on the web page of institutional members is planned. This agenda item is discussed further within agenda item no. 10.

8 Status Nordic Hydrological Conferences

NHC 2022 in Estonia (draft budget - preliminary program- including conference fees).

Elve presents the status and the plan for the NHC 2022. The NHC 2022 is planned 15-18 August in Tallinn. The conference will focus on hydrology and water-related ecosystems. The main themes for the conference, as well as sub-themes, were already decided before it had to be postponed due to Covid-19. The organizing committee, scientific committee and experts by subjects have all been planned. A preliminary program is also ready. Different fees have been set up for different groups such as members, students etc. Important dates have been set up regarding abstract submission etc. The next step in the planning phase is to make new financial agreements with the sponsors that had agreed to support the NHC before Covid-19 hit. A decision needs to be made regarding the form of the conference; an extra board meeting is suggested for this topic along with a discussion regarding the expected status of Covid-19 restrictions in 2022. The board members agree to have a board meeting in the second part of November to discuss these issues.

Linus suggests that the 50-year anniversary of NHF should be celebrated at the conference.

Draft of schedule.

Is already available.

Iceland 2024

An organizing committee will be put together early next year. The date, venue and title should be announced at the conference in Tallinn 2022.

9 Hydrology research – special issue

Status today

Several review papers are in line. More submissions are welcome. The plan is to also write a brief history of NHF as a part of the special issue. Accepted papers with DOIs will be accessible online at IWA Hydrology Research site immediately.

10 Marketing: publishing, web pages and newsletter

The new secretary (see agenda item no. 11 regarding the NHF secretary) will carry on with the new web page and try to make it more user friendly. He will also work on publishing and the newsletter. This will help to make NHF more visible and with recruiting of new NHF members. Linus will keep everyone updated regarding next meetings.

If members have interesting projects to introduce in the newsletter or on the web page, they can send it to Linus.

11 Other items

NHF secretary

There has been a delay regarding publishing of NHF newsletters and updates of the website. The secretary that had been hired in 2020 asked to resign due to personal reasons. Linus has already recruited a new secretary (Han Yu) who is a former student of his and is now doing his post doc in Lund. Han Yu plans on staying in Sweden and will take over the secretary position immediately.

12 Next board meeting

Next meeting will be held late November (25 or 26). Linus will send out a doodle poll.

13 Closing of the meeting

Meeting is closed at 16:10.