



3. Board meeting – NHF – 2025

Time and date: April 8th, 13:00–14:15 Norwegian time

Location - Digital on Teams

Participants:

DENMARK: Sofie G. W. van't Veen (board member)

ESTONIA: Elve Lode (board member)

FINLAND: Anna-Kaisa Ronkanen (board member) and Eliisa Lotsari (deputy)

ICELAND: Tinna Þórarinsdóttir (board member)

LATVIA: Jolanta Jekabsone (board member) and Liga Klints (deputy)

LITHUANIA: -

NORWAY: Torill Engen Skaugen (board member)

SWEDEN: Fainaz Inamdeen (deputy)

Treasurer – Martin Bergstrand (Sweden)

Secretary – Heidi Lee (Norway)

Minutes

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1	Welcome Torill opened the meeting. The meeting was found to have a quorum since more than half of the board members (or a deputy in the absence of the board member) were represented in the meeting.
2	Vice chair of the board Elve Lode from Estonia was elected as Vice Chair of the Board.
3	Minutes from the last board meetings: 19 February and 7 March 2025 Minutes were approved.
4	NHC 2025 Tinna gave an update on the coming NHC 2025 in Reykjavik. Everything is on track with the planning of the conference: Keynote speakers, sponsors and budget. They have approved 164 abstracts and are expecting 100 presentations and 60 posters. Early bird registration closes on 15 th April.



	Tinna presented budget with three different number of participants (variable costs). The budget is approved, and the most likely number of participants is 150. The final program is due on 1st May. Bjørn Kløve is asked to give a presentation on Hydrology Research during the gala dinner (on Wednesday). Torill will introduce Bjørn. Torill will also thank the previous NHF board and hand a present to the previous chair, Linus Zhang, at the gala dinner.
5	NHC 2026 in Finland Anna-Kaisa presented the proposal from Finland on the NHC 2026 • Preliminary topic and themes (that also highlight some of the Digital Waters Flagship themes) • Time late August 2026 • Place Mariehamn, Åland, Island • The expected number of participants is 200 (different types of participants than in NHC 2025, the NHCs won't "compete") • Deadlines in accordance with the NHC guidelines • The first draft on budget The proposal was approved, and Finland can proceed with planning of the conference. The board will discuss and decide on the final title for this conference at the next board meeting, 2nd June. The NHC 2026 is included with a NHF General Assembly 2026 (the committee reserves a timeslot of 1,5–2 hours on the program). <i>The NHC 2026 will be announced at the closing session of the NHC 2025.</i>
6	Application for funding from the Norwegian Hydrological Council, 8. Lillehammer conference NHF has received an application for funding from the Norwegian Hydrological Council (Norsk Hydrologiråd NHR). NHR arranges the 8th Conference on Modelling Hydrology, Climate and Land Surface Processes, 2–4 September 2025, in Lillehammer. <i>The NHF board granted NOK 50 000 for the Lillehammer conference.</i> It was noted that NHF does not usually grant funding to other conferences during the same year with NHC. Nevertheless, the year 2025



	is an exception since the NHC was postponed from 2024 to 2025.
7	Finances The annual closing of 2024 has not been finalized yet. The Secretary issues and sends the invoices the institutional members (SEK 5000 Nordic, SEK 2000 Baltic) before summer holidays. The individual membership is free of charge.
8	Agenda for the next meeting, responsibilities The next meeting will be held 2 nd June, at 17:00–19:00 in Reykjavik • Tinna books a meeting room at the University or IMO and a table for dinner (NHF takes the cost) • The board plans how to select the best student presentation and best student paper, both to be announced in the closing session • Bjørn informs about the best paper in HR during the last three years, to be announced during the gala dinner • Best paper, presentation and poster will get the prize (=money SEK 15 000/ SEK 1000/SEK 1000) after the conference • Tinna books a meeting room for the board prior to the closing session, maybe already on Wednesday, if there aren't any student presentations on Thursday
	Torill sends a Doodle for a board meeting that will be held in late June.

Torill Engen Skaugen
Chair

Heidi Lee
Secretary