

Minutes for the Annual Meeting of NERA Network Conveners Thursday 16th of March, from 11.45 to 12.45, room Athene 2 (PA110), in Pilestredet 46, OsloMet.

1. Election of chairperson for the meeting.

Gry Paulgaard was unanimously elected.

2. Election of secretary for the meeting.

Christian Ydesen was unanimously elected.

3. Election of two members to check the minutes.

Camilla Andersen and Eva Staffans were unanimously elected.

4. Approval of the meeting agenda.

The agenda was approved.

5. Approval of the minutes for 2022

The minutes were approved.

6. Short presentation of conveners

The convenors from the following networks presented themselves:

2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25

7. Status networks & network activities

Almost 600 abstracts have been received by the networks and a great work has been done in reviewing them.

8. Information from the NERA board

Gry and Michael presented information from the NERA board.

There will be a new webpage for NERA and every network will get its own website which will also work as a portal for administrative tasks.

It was emphasized that networks must submit a network report in order to be able to get support for network activities from NERA. The report template can be downloaded from the website.

Deadline for network reports is 15th of April.

Gry specified the guidelines for NERA network support:

- *The NERA board will in accordance with available economic means support network activities. Support will only be given to network activities between the congress, such as activities for PhD-students or symposia in connection with pre- or post-NERA network congress. The activities should be open to the whole network and encourage collaboration between all members in the network.*
- *Support may be given for travel and diet costs for invited lecturer/s and coffee /snacks to the network participants. Support may also be given to a dinner for a limited organizing group together with the invited lecturer/s.*
- *Support is not given for travel or diet costs to the network participants. Neither is salary/honorarium to invited lecturer/s an accepted expense.*
- *Documentation for all expenditures must be sent to the treasurer of NERA no later than one month after the NERA congress has taken place.*
- *A short report of the supported activities shall be sent to the network coordinator no later than one month after the NERA Congress has taken place.*

Deadline for application for support to network activities 8th of September 2023.

Gry presented the NERA activities and NERA supported activities:

- *Annual Nordic Education Conversations October 2023, information on NERA web pages*
- *The journal Nordic Studies in Education*
- *Call for applications for the NERA-slot at the AERA's Annual Meeting*
- *NB: Deadline will be announced at the NERA website and email*
- *SERA – Scottish research association conference, November each year*
- *ESAI – Educational Studies Association of Ireland, Belfast, 30-31 March, 1st of April 2023*
- *ECER – European Conference on Educational Research, Glasgow, 22-25 August 2023*

9. Comments concerning the conference and arrangements so far

There have been issues with handling food allergies.

Two-hour sessions might be a long time – or a different organisation of the time could be made.

Convenors must be informed about withdrawals of proposals

Keynote speeches are placed relatively far from the main conference venue.

A need for more specific guidelines for reviewing abstract submissions (the point system).

A balance between length of abstracts (needed for making a proper review) and the time spent on reviews. A standard would be good.

10. Any other business

No other business was reported.



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Controller

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Link to the Policy Paper about networks and the main responsibilities for the network conveners at NERAs web site http://www.nfpf.net/?page_id=72