Minutes from the General Meeting of NOCIES  
Lund University March 25, 2011

1. The President opened the meeting and welcomed all members present.

2. The minutes from the General Meeting taken place at Lund University June 12, 2009, were approved.

3. The President reported on the work that has taken place since the last General meeting. Since last meeting a book on initiative on NOCIES executive committee has been published titled NORDIC VOICES: Teaching and Researching Comparative and International Education in the Nordic Countries. Halla B. Holmarsdottir and Mina O’Dowd (Eds.)

4. The President’s report concludes on a positive note and with an optimistic view of the future of NOCIES.

5. The Secretary-Treasurer’s report was positive with a total sum of 20000 DKr on the account.

   The membership fee for the period 2011 – 2013 was decided to be the same as the previous period 200 DKr. Membership fees should be connected to access to publications. A proposal has to be worked out during the next period.

6. After a proposal from the election committee based on the nominations made by the members the following executive committee for the period of 2011 – 2013 was elected:

   Lennart Wikander, president (se); Marcella Milana, vice president (dk); Johanna Kallo (fi); Jon Lauglo (no); Stavros Moutsios (dk) and Mina O’Dowd (se)

7. Chair Mina O'Dowd handed over the role as the chair of the meeting to the new president Lennart Wikander.

8. A discussion concerning future activities took place. They can be summarised as the following:

   a) Membership fees. 1) Individual membership fees need to be connected to some advantages as access to publications etc. 2) Institutional membership fees has to be discussed. What will institutional membership fees give the institution? How many shall institutional fee include? This has to be discussed during the next period.

   b) Who is working within the field of comparative education in the Nordic countries. During the next period this should be investigated.

   c) A symposia shall be organised spring 2012.

   d) After a proposal from Johanna Määrtä Kallo it was decided the next general meeting shall take place in March 2013 in Turku, Finland in combination with a conference.
9. The new president gave on behalf of the members of NOCIES most thanks to past president Mina O’Dowd for her strong engagement during her period as president and to have restarted NOCIES and created a good start for the development of NOCIES.

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