Protokoll – styrelsemöte för Svenska Havsforskningsföreningen

Svenska Havsforskningsföreningen (SHF)	
Organisationsnummer:	802518-4592
Datum:	13th February 2025
Tid:	09.00 – 10:00
Plats:	Zoom link https://gu-se.zoom.us/j/8161167420

Närvarande: Volkert Brüchert (VB), Carina Bunse (CB), Heidi Burdett (HB), Malin Olofsson (MO), Jakob Walve (JW)

Frånvarande:

Dagordning/Agenda

- 1) Meeting is opened by CB
- 2) Election of adviser (justeringsperson): Malin Olofsson
- 3) Ekonomisk uppdatering
 - a. SHF received support from the Centre of Sea and Society (GU) in form of 30 000 kr to organize the Swedish Marine Science Conference 2025. An offer from Wallenberg Centre for Europe Hall including offers for beverages, etc has been received. However, the actual costs remain unclear at present, since this depends whether invoicing will be possible through the Centre for Sea and Society or the University of Gothenburg, which receive discounted prices and are VAT-free. Actual costs, however, will also depend on overhead. It was also discussed to request a financial contribution from Ecochange, since the SMF days are also used as the annual meeting by Ecochange. The financial questions raised above shall be discussed shortly in a meeting with representatives from the Centre for Sea and Society and Carina Bunse.
- 4) Follow-up on Marine Research Days and SHF Annual Meeting 2024
 - a. Close the books for 2024 communication with LNU. The final cost overview for the conference has been difficult to reconstruct. Linnemöten has not been able to provide an exact cost overview for their services, as well as the amount of payments from Ecochange towards the Kalmar conference. Clarifying these issues will be critical for our budgeting for the 2025 meeting, in particular regarding issue of VAT payments.

5) 2025 Marine Research Days in Gothenburg

a. A possible theme for the 2025 conference:

The board has agreed on the theme: "Connecting marine research between disciplines and stakeholders" for the upcoming 2025 conference in Göteborg.

c. Wallenberg Centre is booked for 18-20th November 2025

d. Save the Date emails about the 2025 conference venue, theme, and date of conference will be sent out shortly.

e. Invited speakers.

A preliminary list of invited speakers exists from the Sea and Society application. Ecochange will also be consulted to suggest additional potential candidates. The board will provide further suggestions for the next meeting;

6) Schedule & book conference rooms for the upcoming international 2026 conference. The suggested date for the 2026 Swedish Marine Days in cooperation with the marine research societies of Norway, Finland, Denmark, and Greenland is planned for 24-26th November 2026 in Stockholm. SMF wants to communicate these dates as early as possible to our international partner societies. A potential location is the Stockholm University campus with the use of Aula Magna (1000 people) or half of Aula Magna (500 people). There are alternative smaller lecture halls available in the Geoscience building, which depends on the actual expected number of participants. VB will inquire whether the Aula Magna is available for these dates and at what cost. It was put forward that the meeting may be possibly be supported through co-organization with the Bolin Centre for Climate Research and the Baltic Sea Centre. VB will inquire about the possibility of co-organization and co-funding. CB presented the option to apply for conference support from Carl Tryggers specialanslag. The conference should take place for three full days with at least one invited speaker from each participating country. VB hope to provide information on venue 2nd March.

7) Other questions: None.

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