

## Extra Board Meeting, nr 43

September 29, 2006  
KVL

### Agenda

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#### Items

- 43.1**      **Opening of meeting and agenda**
- 43.2**      **Discussion about new strategy - vision, mission, main goals, members etc.**  
(Introduction by Lars Moe)
- Lunch
- Cont. of discussion about new strategy - general conclusions**  
(Led by Lars Moe)
- 43.3**      **NOVA organisation from 2007**  
(Paul Jensen and Knut Wålstedt)
- Pause
- 43.4**      **Next board meeting**  
(Paul Jensen)
- 43.5**      **Other items**
- 43.6**      **End of meeting**

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Present:	Lars Moe	NVH, chairman
	Knut Hove	UMB
	Per Holten Andersen	KVL
	Jukka Kola	HU-AF
	Torbjörn Fagerström	SLU
	Agust Sigurdsson	LBHI, (from 12.15)
	Marlene Areskog	NSF, SLU
Others:	Paul Jensén	NOVA rektor
	Knut Wålstedt	NOVA koord, sekr
	Christina Hove Odgaard	KVL, local coordinator
Absent:	Hannu Saloniemi	HU-V
	Flemming Frandsen	KVL, KUF chairman

#### 43.1 Opening of meeting and agenda

The meeting was opened and the agenda was discussed. It was agreed to reverse order between item 43.2 and 43.3, starting with the NOVA organisation.

#### 43.3 NOVA organisation from 2007

Item: To discuss the new organisation of the NOVA secretariat, board and KUF, from 2007.

Material: Enclosure 43.3, An organisation for the NOVA secretariat

Chairman and NOVA rector presented the discussion that has taken part between chairman and the NOVA secretariat. The current situation in the secretariat was also presented. There is a need for a new chairman in KUF. A new position as assistance to NOVA board chairman was suggested. It was discussed and agreed that it is OK to have chairman from both the board and KUF coming from the same country, even the same institution. This would allow the new assistant to be available for both chairman positions. It was discussed and agreed that it is OK to have part of the secretariat stay at Alnarp.

The board decided:

To: approve that chairman of the board and KUF may come from the same institution

To: ask rector Lars Moe from NVH to stay on one more year as chairman of the board (to the end of 2007)

That: a position as Secretary General will be established at Alnarp, as a part of the new NOVA secretariat,

That: a position as assistant Secretary General will be established at NVH, acting as assistant for chairman of both board and of KUF,

That: chairman and rector of UMB will discuss and suggest the new chairman of KUF from 2007, to the next board meeting. Chairman of the board is responsible.

#### **43.2 Discussion about new strategy – vision, mission, main goals, members etc.**

Item: Discussion about a new NOVA strategy, including vision, mission, main goals, new members and activities during 2007.

Material: Enclosure 43.2a Letter from chairman  
Enclosure 43.2b A new strategy for NOVA UN: NOVA beyond the horizon – draft  
Enclosure 43.2c Letter from BOVA  
Enclosure 43.2d Letter from Joensuu, faculty of forestry

The matter of new membership and NOVA-BOVA cooperation was discussed and decided.

It was agreed that the focus in the discussion about NOVA strategy and plan must be on the following items:

- Working plan and priorities for 2007
- Organisation and tasks of the secretariat (see item 43.3)
- Chairmanship in the board and in KUF
- Organisation of national (local) teams

It was agreed that the current revised strategy will continue to hold as long as there is no new strategy decided.

Dates and interpretation of suggested windows for intensive courses were discussed. It was agreed that the decision by KUF, to suggest weeks 33 and 34 in August and 2 and 3 in January as joint windows, shall immediately be sent to each institution, with the information that the board will take a decision on this matter at the next meeting, on the 7th of November. Each institution is asked to consider this suggestion before the board meeting.

NOVA secretariat and the local NOVA coordinators are asked to make a list of items/questions that must be solved before a new strategy and organisation can be launched.

The board decided:

That: The forest faculty of Joensuu University will be invited as observers in KUF from the 1st of January 2007, and as full member from the 1st of January 2008. Participation in relevant projects and in PhD courses is welcomed on the basis of own funding during 2007, and they are welcome to send applications for PhD course funding 2008. Negotiations for full membership will take part during 2007.

That: NOVA welcomes cooperation with BOVA, based on the same status as other equal partners. A principal fee for BOVA students taking part in NOVA PhD courses will be introduced.

That: the current revised strategy will hold, as long as no new strategy is launched.

That: information about the KUF suggestion on fixed weeks for joint windows for intensive courses will be sent immediately to each member institution.

That: the NOVA secretariat and the local coordinators shall put together a list of items and questions that needs to be settled/solved before a new strategy and organisation can be fully implemented.

### **43.3 Next board meeting**

Time for the next board meeting was discussed. It was suggested and agreed that we look at the possibilities to meet in Helsinki the night before (6<sup>th</sup> of Nov) the meeting for a late dinner, and that the meeting can start early, for instance at 9.00 and end 16.00, the 7<sup>th</sup> of Nov.

### **43.5 Other items**

No other items were discussed.

### **43.6 End of meeting**

The meeting was closed.

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Lars Moe  
NVH, ordförande

Paul Jensén  
NOVA rektor

Knut Wålstedt  
Central NOVA koordinator

