

Minutes of the NFU Annual Meeting-2004

Date: 30 September 2004-12-09

Time: 18.30-20.00

Present: About 20 members

The meeting was chaired by Desmond Mc Neill.

Håkon Fottland, the Chairperson of NFU presented the Annual Report 2004, and it was approved by the members present.

The Board was congratulated for its achievements in recruiting more members to the NFU.

It was decided to establish a NFU Chapter in Bergen.

The meeting congratulated Olav Stokke, the editor of *Forum for Development Studies* for undertaking quality improvements and bringing the journal to a high standard.

It was decided that next year's NFU Award should be announced widely and e-mails should be sent to all members regarding the announcement.

The EADI Report was approved.

The accounts were approved contingent on Auditor's Report.

Suggestions for revised membership rate for families and retired persons were approved. It was decided that the institutional membership fees has to be checked with the Constitution of NFU.

The Budget for 2005 was presented. The meeting agreed with the Activity fund that was proposed in the budget, but suggested that it should be used for covering expenses for small meetings/or workshops, travelling to participate in workshops and so on.

The acronym for the Research Council of Norway should be RCN.

Expenses for annual conference: It was decided that the Conference organisers should be invited to present the expenditure details of the Conference. It should be included in the NFU Nytt.

Eirin Hongslo of NORAGRIC was appointed as the main-responsible for the Annual Conference 2005 to be held at NORAGRIC, Ås on June 20-21.

It was decided to close the NFU accounts just before the Annual Meeting.

The Budget for 2005 was approved on the basis that it is for a period of 9 months.

NFU Archives: It was decided that the Board will enter into an agreement with Chr. Michelsen Institute regarding this.

The election of new members to the Board was approved. It was commented that the new Board has a desirable gender balance.

Håkon was specially commended on for his commitment to NFU activities.

The meeting came to a close by 20.00.

Darley Jose Kjosavik and Olav Stokke
9.12.04

Election

Board members:

Håkon Fottland (UiTø leder), leder
Tor Arve Benjaminsen (Noragric/NLH)
Ketil Fred Hansen (Idegruppen Nord-Sør, Stavanger)
Morten Bøås (FAFO)
Guro Aandal (SUM/UiO)
Darley Jose Kjosavik (Noragric/NLH)
Tina Søreide (CMI/Bergen)
Elisabeth Sandersen (UiTø)
Tale Baadshaug (NTNU)

Deputies:

Trond Vedeld (NIBR)
Asuncion St Clair (Institutt for Sosiologi, UiB)
Kjetil Tronvoll (Senter for Menneskerettigheter, UiO)
Atle Solberg (Institutt for sammenlignende politikk, UiB)

Auditor:

Hans-Jørgen Oppi Christiansen (SUM/UiO)

Election committee

Siri Gloppen (CMI), Ruth Haug (Noragric) og Einar Braathen