



# CIRCOLO SCANDINAVO

Skandinaviska Föreningens Konstnärshus i Rom

## MINUTES

Circolo Scandinavo's General Assembly 2019

on the 26th of March 2019 at 18:00, in Via della Lungara 231, Rome

### **1. Opening of the General Assembly**

The assembly was opened at 18.13. The meeting was considered legal as it was convened in accordance with Circolo Scandinavo's statutes.

### **2. Election of chairperson, secretary and two reviewers for the minutes of the Annual meeting**

Janne Giese proposed Richard Lydiker as chair for the GA and Oona Haapamäki as secretary. Both nominees were elected. The GA approved Janne Giese and Juha Ruusuvuori as reviewers of the minutes.

### **3. Approval of the Agenda**

The GA approved the agenda.

### **4. Approval of two Election officials**

The GA approved Janne Giese and Juha Ruusuvuori as election officials.

### **5. Approval of the Board's Annual Report 2018**

Vice-chair Kolbrún Halldórsdóttir presented the Annual written report for 2018, she conveyed chair Tarja Cronberg's greetings. The GA approved the Annual report 2018

### **6. Approval of the accounts for 2018**

Ingo Arnason presented the accounts for 2018. The director's apartment being turned into a studio and rented out caused a small deficit but created more activity. The increase in overhead expenses comes from raised heating and gas costs. The GA approved the accounts for 2018.

### **7. Approval of the budget for 2019**

Director Ingo Arnason presented the budget for 2019. Rent contributions will increase with the adding of the new studio and additional room and by raising the monthly rent of the rooms with 50 €. Circolo Scandinavo is very grateful for the support from Finland, the intern program and grants from Svenska Kulturfonden. The rental cost for Via della Lungara 231 remains the same as last year. Madeleine Wulffson raised the question of the rent and the possibility to lower it.

Arnason said that according to Italian law it's not possible to change it. A question was raised whether it would be possible for the Academy to terminate the contract. According to Arnason, the contract can't be altered during the 6 first years of the 12-year-contract and the Academy seems happy with the collaboration. Wulffson raised the question of enlarging the premises. Arnason pointed out that the house is operating at full capacity. The GA approved the budget for 2019.

#### **8. Election of five members of the Executive Board and two substitute members**

The candidates that were present at the GA introduced themselves. Some of the candidates not present were introduced by other members. The GA elected the following as board members for 2019-2021:

- Kolbrún Halldórsdóttir (Iceland)
- Lars Strandh (Sweden/Norway)
- Sanna Tahvanainen (Finland)
- Björn Ross (Sweden/Denmark)
- Lone Falster (Denmark)

The remaining three members represent the Nordic embassies in Rome, the Nordic institutes in Rome and the Nordic artist organizations. These are:

- Hilla Okkonen (Finland) (Nordic embassies in Rome)
- Christopher Prescott (Norway) (Nordic institutes in Rome)
- Mia Törnqvist (Sweden) (Nordic artist organizations)

Two substitute members were chosen:

First substitute member:

- Kari Steihaug (Norway)

Second substitute member:

- Hanne Herrman (Norway)

#### **9. Proposals received**

No proposals were received before the deadline.

#### **10. Any other business**

No other business.

The meeting closed at 19.57



Richard Lydiker, chairman



Oona Haapamäki, secretary