Minutes for annual general assembly of NACS 2018

Turku, Finland

Time: Saturday 22. September 2018 16.45-18.00
Room: Aava-Meri

Approval of the agenda:
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Approval of minutes for 2017:
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Chair:
President of NACS Elsa Almås from Norway calls to order and chairs the meeting.

Secretary:
Tom S. Nybø

Adjusters for the minutes:
Osmo Kontula and Inger Bugge

1. **Welcome address from FIAS, Tiina Vilponen**

2. **Welcome address by the president of NACS, Elsa Ålmås**
   Gives a thank to all the presenters and participators. Inspired by Kristina Areskoug-Josefsson's presentation; she encourages the participators to engage in searching what is important to them and enlighten their enthusiasm in the world of sexology.

3. **Report from the national societies**

   Denmark byTonny Bønlykke Hertz
   DACS are working on a new clinic for gender identity. A recent Prep trial has gathered approximately 300 participants. Denmark is seeing an Increase in chemsex abuse. The sexual education programme "Week 6 (Uge 6)" is being more and more widespread in Danish schools. It also includes a focus on gender variations. New organization/society for sexology has started up; The Danish Society of Sexology. Project SEXUS is still running; with more than 60 000 participants.

   Estonia by Paul Korrovits
   50 members; increasing slowly. Important to recruit young people. Medical specialties. 7 counselors and 7 clinic sexologists. Collaboration with SEXPO; be inspired/learn by them. Cohabitations with medical specialist, psychotherapists and other in special cases.

   Finland by Tiina Vilponen
   FIAS has 1180 members and multiple national authorizations. FIAS is 20 years old this year. It has 11 board members. The organization has focus on seminars (2 this year so far), podcast, press releases, scientific journal and newsletters to its members.

Iceland by Sigga Dögg:
KYNIS: IPPF (planned parenthood) loose contact with them. No activity. Condomsmachine in upper secondary school, new course in sexual education. Sexdays with condom focus; instead of uke 6 (Week 6). World health sexday: made video which were shared on social medias. Has focus on sharing knowledge about PREP; amongst other things.

Norway by Tore H. Follestad:
New president, work with structure. Avoided bankruptcy. Work with local sexology groups. Reestablish groups. SRHR=much activity. Transgifted people have problems getting proper care. Several organizations are working on this. PREP is on high demand. Not able to keep up.

Sweden by Lennie Lindberg:
250 members. Working on next year's conference. New HIV preventions strategy. PREP- special terms applies. New law regarding consent: media/public debate. Midwife do abort or not? Discussion. 14 authorized supervisors at the moment.

4. **Report from NACSAC**
    a. Knut Hermstad:2 meetings in April/May + NACS conference. 2018: 39 new specialists in sexological counselling and 5 clinical sexologists. Criterias are being looked into when it comes to authorization of counselors/clinicians.
    b. Clinical sexologists: own education in Denmark and Finland. Finished in 2020
    c. 15th of October + 15th of April= New dates for applications date.
    d. Website will be update together with NACSS. Educational systems are different, so each country must update their own definitions/list of professions that can give authorization as clinical sexologist.

5. **Report from NACSES**
    a. Osmo Kontula: meeting at the congress. 4 of 5 applicants were authorized.

6. **Review of the NACS authorization procedure**
    a. Tommi Palaanen: NACS is not registered as an official organization. A process is going on about this.
    b. Complaint system with authorization. Process of updating criterias.
        Complaint: no procedure. 2nd review can be called upon from NACSAC. Ask the board of the national society if they have any comments. TP: small complaint committee?
        Osmo Kontula: 1st complain to national board, then NACSAC. Not published anywhere.
        TP: Can be written down now.

7. **NACS webpage. How is the work proceeding?**
    a. There has been some work done, but due to the need to discuss legal issues, like the registration of NACS, revision of statutes as a consequence of adding new members, the work will have to develop in relation to the general development process of NACS.

8. **Revision of the curricula for professional education in sexology. How do we proceed?**
    a. The new board will discuss this. It is an acknowledgement of the NACS that the present curriculum is already more than 30 years old and might need some modernization. Next board will continue that work. It will take time and involve a lot of work.
        TP: sex ed + basic sex ed: looked into each others curriculum. Meeting where trainers meet at a NACS conference. Next year in Sweden. Chair for this process is given to the new board.

9. Revision of the Statutes: Suggestion from FIAS

a. The board will start a process with the aim to present a proposal on the NACS 2019 meeting including new statutes, how to arrange the NACS conferences and the official NACS meetings.

b. The General Assembly must decide where to register NACS and the board suggest having NACS registered in Finland. FIAS agrees on this and will undertake the practical work making it happen. The board will start the process. TP: in order to organization official, mandate to board to make new suggestions of statues.

10. Appointment of new president from Norway for the rest of the period:

Tore Holte Follestad as new president of NACS.

11. Next NACS-meeting in Sweden 2019

a. Lennie Lindberg: https://nacs2019.org/ "The Sexual urge- crossing borders and breaking boundaries"

12. NACS/EFS-meeting in Aalborg 2020

a. The NACS board has decided at the board meeting that they support Aalborg in their bid for the EFS conference in 2020. PCO-discussion in EFS.
NACS in Aalborg anyway...

13. Any other business

a. NACS has got an application from The Danish Society of Sexology at the 28th of August 2018. They want to be member of NACS. This came after the Agenda for the meeting was sent out, and the application cannot be handled at this Annual meeting. The new board will discuss the matter at its first meeting.

b. NACS will send proposals to the national boards. Hope to finish this within 1 year.
Elsa says thanks and informs Executive secretary in EFS.
Paul: Meet live once a year+ Skype 3-4 times a year. More efficient.
Move NACS meeting general assembly in the schedule. This to get more members present.
Sweden will move it.

14. Meeting closed

Secretary

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