NKF-S Annual report 2016

Board
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Auditors:
Thea Winther, Cecilia Lundin

IIC Nordic Group Representative:
Charlotta Bylund Melin

Nomination Committee:
Alissa Andersson and Jan Blåberg

Meetings and Gatherings

Board meetings and general assembly (GA)
During the fiscal year of 2016, NKF-S had eleven eleven minute meetings. The GA was held on 20th of May 2016 at the Uppsala Museum, Uppsala.

E.C.C.O. general assembly and 25th anniversary
E.C.C.O. held its GA and Presidents meeting in Berlin 5 – 6 June 2016. In conjunction with this event, E.C.C.O.’s 25th anniversary was celebrated where also all the presidents were invited. A seminar on the topic “Conservation matters! – The profession of the conservator-restorer as a strategic resource for cultural heritage” was implemented at the Bode Museum
by the German organisation. Hélène Svahn Garreau was, together with the Spanish delegate, moderators for the conclusive round table discussion. The president of NKF Sweden Charlotta Bylund Melin and the delegate of NKF Sweden Hélène Svahn Garreau were representing Sweden at the meetings and conference.

E.C.C.O.’s committee has during the year continued to work towards that the conservation profession is to be recognised in Europe. Two newsletters have been sent out by E.C.C.O. to NKF Sweden’s members.

During 2016, NKF Sweden decided to invite E.C.C.O. to Sweden for the 2017 GA. When the application to The Bothén Foundation for financial support for the event was approved, planning began during autumn 2016. The GA was decided to be held in Stockholm during May 2017 in connection with the celebration of NKF Sweden’s 65th anniversary.

NKF Professional council meeting
The 28th October 2016, president Charlotta Bylund Melin participated in NKF’s Professional council meeting in Hamar, Norway.

During the meeting, the editor for “Meddelser om Konservering” (MoK) Loa Ludvigsen was assigned to investigate the advantages and disadvantages of a printed journal and a digital journal. The presidents of each section had to bring this question to each committee and members. Decision in the matter was postponed until NKF’s professional council meeting in October 2017.

It was also decided that a new President of NKF Professional Council will be appointed at every NKF congress and that the country hosting the next congress will choose the new president of the Professional Council. The next country in turn is Sweden and NKF-Sweden will therefore choose the president for the NKF Professional Council. The proposal is to be completed in September 2017.

NKF-S as a referral body

In 2016 NKF-Sweden submitted consultative opinions for “Riksantikvarieämbetets översyn av regelverket om de kyrkliga kulturminnena” (Ku2013/1343/KA) and proposal for SOU-2015:89 “Ny museipolitik”.

Actions 2016

- To increase the collaboration and exchange of information with the Department of Conservation, University of Gothenburg, a representative from the education (Elizabeth Peacock) co-opted to the board as from February 2017.
- The popular “Pub evenings” have, like previous years, been organised in Stockholm and Gothenburg the second Thursday every month. The Pub evening in Malmo has been cancel due to low participation.
The Bothén Foundation
In 2016, 44 applications for funds from Märtha, Gunnar and Arvid Bothén were received. The sum of SEK 690,750 was granted for 29 fellows, whereof 16 fellows belonged to the prioritised group concerning Research/Communication/Arrangement.

The foundation is bound to distribute a minimum of 80% of the available founding during a 5-year period. The available founding is the revenue from investments in stocks and funds, subtracted from the cost for expenditures. In 2016 the allotment of approximately 120,000 SEK increased due to unused requisitions during the last four years. Altogether, it resulted in an allotment of SEK 690,750 this year.

Märta, Gunnar och Arvid Bothen foundation has in the last 10 years, despite the uncertain market, had a good rate of return from investments of the share portfolio advised by SEB’s Trust. Therefore the Foundation board decided to renew the agreement with SEB, with a similar investment plan as the previous period.

Web and publications
Realia
The journal Realia has in 2016 published two issues. Carl Brädde is the editor and Elise Andersson is responsible for the layout.

Meddelser om Konservering
Meddelelser om Konservering (MoK) has published one issue during the year. Thea Winther has represented NKF-S in MoK’s editorial board.

Website
During the year, NKF-S has been working actively with the website, mainly to promote the coming E.C.C.O. General Assembly, NKF-S General Assembly and the seminar on the 15 to 16 May 2017. The webmaster has also linked digital publications from the other NKF’s websites in order to increase the spread among the members. Furthermore, information on the newly established award “Priset för årets kulturvårdsgärning- Bevare mig väl”, has also been allocated its own tag on the website.

Development
The NKF-S committee has focussed on introducing the new board members the work of the board.

Separate planning meetings once every month since September 2016 were held for the NKF-S 65th Anniversary, E.C.C.O. GA and NKF-S GA at the Army Museum in Stockholm 15-16 May 2016. In addition to the board have Christina Tegnér from the Army Museum and Karin Lindahl from Acta Konserveringscentrum participated in the meetings.

The Board met one weekend during the autumn to monitor the visionary work of last year. The two, five and ten-year strategic activity plans were updated and completed activities were documented.

**Members and fees**

**Number of paying members in NKF-S in 2016:**
Individual members: 306  
Supportive institutions: 8  
Total: 314

**Member fees:**
Full members: SEK 450/year  
Associated members: SEK 350/year  
Retired: SEK 145/year  
Supportive institutions: SEK1100/year