

Föreningen FSCONS

Ordinarie årsmöte, 2016-04-09

1. **Meeting opening:** The meeting was opened by Stian Rødven Eide.
2. **Other meeting formalities**
 1. **Election of meeting officials**
 - **Chair:** Stian was elected to chair the meeting
 - **Secretary:** Andreas Skyman was elected as meeting secretary
 - **Approval, who also counts the votes:** Leif-Jöran Olsson was elected to be approval for the meeting.
 2. **Decision on agenda:** The meeting approved the agenda.
 3. **Is there quorum, and was the meeting properly announced?** The meeting has quorum. The meeting decides that the meeting was properly announced.
 4. **Adjustment and approval of electoral register:** The electoral register (appendix 1) was approved.
3. **Annual report:** The main activity for the association in 2015 was the annual conference, which was held successfully. See <https://fscons.org/2015/schedule/> The board has summarised the activities of 2015 in an annual report (appendix 2), which can be found at <https://wiki.fscons.org/File:Verksamhets2015.pdf> The meeting approved of the report.
4. **Economical report:** The treasurer presented the economical report (appendix 3) and suggested that the sponsorship money owed us from Göteborg&Co is written off. The meeting approved of the report and the suggestion.
5. **Auditor's report:** Gustav presented his report (appendix 4), in which the meeting was recommended to release the board of responsibility for the year 2015. The meeting formally thanks Gustav for his thorough report.
6. **Discharge of the board:** The board of 2015 was discharged and released from responsibility. The board did not participate in the voting.
7. **New elections**
 1. **Board election:** The board should consist of at least three regular members. The meeting elected Stian Rødven Eide, Thomas Gramstad, Inari Listenmaa, Leif-Jöran Olsson and Andreas Skyman. Oliver Propst was elected as alternate board member.
 2. **Election of auditor:** The meeting elected Gustav Eek as auditor for 2016, and Fransisco Blas Izquierdo Riera as alternate auditor.
8. **Membership fee:** The meeting decided to keep 50 kr per year as membership fee.
9. **The Association FSCONS's plan for operation during the coming year:**
 1. **FSCONS 2017:** The meeting asked the Norwegian contingent whether they thought that organising FSCONS in Oslo 2017 might be feasible, the idea being to hold the conference in Gothenburg every second year, and somewhere else every other year. Thomas Gramstad thinks that there would be interest for this within the Oslo community, and that it would be possible to get funding from the Norwegian Unix User Group for this and other FSCONS related activities. The meeting asks Thomas

to work on this and report back to the board before midsummer.

2. The board presented three suggestions for FSCONS 2016:

1. Use the same format and venue as previous years. This is the option that would need the most work, at least fifteen persons willing to work continuously with the conference from now until the conference.
2. Take the conference to a new venue with accommodation and meals, such as Marstrands Havshotell or Nordiska Folkhögskolan. This would mean that the size of the conference would be made smaller, perhaps 100 participants and 12 to 20 talks. It would mean less work for the organisers, but a higher cost, at least for local participants since the price would include accommodation.
3. Host a ten year anniversary party instead of a conference. In essence, rent a place and invite everyone who is interested to come without any rigid schedule. Invite self-organised talks such as lightning talks rather than predefined tracks, maybe in an unconference format.

As an alternative to number 1, it was suggested to make the conference smaller, but other than that go with the usual format and venue. The presentation was followed by a discussion of the merits of the different proposals. After a vote of 6 in favour and 4 against the second option, as proposed by the board, the discussion continued. After the discussion 6 votes were in favour of option two and 2 votes were against it (it should be noted that the votes in favour were not the same 6 as in the first vote). A guiding vote was taken to ascertain which of the two current options for a venue was preferred by the meeting. The meeting favoured Marstrand before Nordiska folkhögskolan, with the size of the venue and the number of beds being the main points making it preferable.

3. **Satellite events:**

1. Thomas suggested several satellite events that may be interesting for FSCONS. In particular he suggested organising an FSCONS track one of the days of the Gran Canaria Business Week in January 2017.
2. Oliver brought up the idea of inviting GNU, FreeBSD and/or Mozilla Rust to have events concurrent with FSCONS, though he does not think it is very feasible within the format proposed for 2016.

The meeting entrusts the board to seek cooperation with these or any other organisations that share the mission and values of FSCONS, as long as doing so does not violate the sustainability of the association's work.

4. **Plan of operations:**

- The board will work for organising the yearly conference in November (preferably on the weekend of 12–13 Nov) at a conference centre in the vicinity of Gothenburg with room for as many participants as possible.
- We will make an effort to reach out to non-local organisers – much of the work does not need to be carried out by people in Gothenburg.
- There will be no concrete sponsorship goals, except to get as many as possible in order to lower the cost of participation.
- The board will compose an email as a followup to the call sent before the

annual meeting, inform the participants of the plans for moving forward.

5. Budget:

The budget is essentially to use half of the organisation's buffer (approximately 20 kkr) to cover the cost of getting the speakers to Gothenburg, with regular participants paying cost price and business tickets selling for more. Any extra income from sponsors will primarily be used to lower the cost of participation.

6. The Meeting approved the plan and the budget.

10. Received motions: No motions have arrived.

11. Other Questions: No further questions.

12. Meeting closure: The meeting was closed.

Signed,

Andreas Skyman, meeting secretary

Leif-Jöran Olsson, approval
