

Protocol: Board meeting for NWS board, Thursday April 20, 2017.

1. The upcoming conference in Åbo

The 8th NWS Conference, What's wrong (and what's right) with Ordinary Language Philosophy?, will be held at Åbo Academy University, on May 5-6, 2017. There are four invited speakers, Avner Baz (Tufts University), Jason Bridges (University of Chicago), Niklas Forsberg (Uppsala University) and Marina Sbisà (University of Trieste). There were 47 abstracts send in in response to the call for papers, of which 21 was accepted for the conference. Most of the board will be attending the conference.

2. New editorial board for NWR - no longer the same as the NWS board.

A suggestion for the new Editorial board was presented that secures an overlap with the NWS board. The involved people are the achieves editors, the review editor and the previous and present editors: Tove Österman, Gisela Bengtsson, Simo Säätelä, Yrsa Neuman, Alois Pichler, Lars Hertzberg, Anne-Marie Christensen, Martin Gustafsson. The board accepted this suggestion.

3. Reactions on NWR's new user interface and updated platform.

The board all agreed that the new interface of NWRs homepage is a big improvement. There was some dissatisfaction with the chosen colours. This issue will be up to the decision of the new editors.

4. Reports on submissions, use of funding 2016, etc.

It would be good if NWR had more submissions, especially submission of quality papers. The board is asked to look out for good papers. A number of reviews are on the way, three or four will be published in the next issue.

There are still problems with invited papers, as it is very hard to get the papers in. The suggestion is that NWR only has invited papers if there is a one available. The board accepted this suggestion.

The general editor also orientated the board about the use of the NOS-SH funding for NWR in 2016.

5. Some organisational issues - discussion:

The board was asked about whether they think NWR should announce peer reviewers annually. The board was worried that this might jeopardise the anonymity of the review process. There were also worries about whether a public list of reviewers could influence who would make submissions.

There is a suggestion for a special issue for on Wittgenstein and Merleau-Ponty with an open call for papers. The board agreed that this was suggestion was too risky as there was no way of knowing the quality of the papers that would be submitted.

The general editor will try to find a solution for having an available print version of NWR that will not involve practical work for the editors.

The board gave their heartfelt thanks to Yrsa Neumann for her impressive work as a general editor for NWR!!!

6. Other issues.

The board had a short discussion of possibilities for next year's conference.

There was a suggestion for an intensive PhD course with Oskari Kuusela co-organised by NWS and Åbo Akademi Universitet.

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