

**ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2017
OF
SWEA INTERNATIONAL, INC.
NEW YORK CHAPTER**

DATE: February 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Swedish Residency, 600 Park Avenue
New York, NY

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Malin Dessner
Lisa Hammarstrand
Rebecca Hedlund
Lisa Laskaridis
Ewa Rosander
Britt-Marie Swartz
Cinna Vesterlund
Iris Voltaire
Christina Xenos

CHAIRPERSON: Lisa Laskaridis

SECRETARY: Malin Dessner

1 Call to order

The President of the corporation, Lisa Laskaridis, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7.00 p.m. She noted that there were 65 SWEA NY members out of 206 present at the meeting, after which she declared that a quorum was present.

2 Approval of Agenda

The President presented the Agenda for the meeting, a copy of which was approved and ordered filed with the Minutes of the Meeting marked Exhibit 1.

3 Appointment of Chairperson for the Meeting

On motion duly made and seconded, Lisa Laskaridis was unanimously appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

4 Appointment of Secretary for the Meeting

On motion duly made and seconded, Malin Dessner was unanimously appointed Secretary for the meeting.

5 Appointments of Adjusters of the Minutes

On motion duly and seconded, Inga-Lena Bengtsson and Veronica Stolt were unanimously appointed Adjusters of the Minutes for the Meeting.

6 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on February 15, 2017

On motion duly made and seconded, the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on February 15, 2017 were approved and a copy of the same was ordered and filed with the minutes of the meeting marked Exhibit 2.

7 Presentation of Board of Directors for the Year 2018

The Chairperson welcomed Yvette Avenhall, member of the Nominating Committee, to present the result of the election of directors and officers of the Corporation for the year 2018. Ewa reported that elections had been made electronically and one via mail. 84 members voted.

Yvette read the Report of the Nominating Committee, a copy which was ordered filed with the Minutes of the Meeting, marked Exhibit 3.

She reported that all members who voted had approved the candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee and, as a result, the Directors of the Board and the Officers of the Corporation for the year 2018 are as follows:

Malin Dessner	17/01/01 - 18/12/31 (re-elected 1-year term)
Lisa Hammarstrand	18/01/01 – 18/12/31 (elected 1-year term)
Rebecca Hedlund	15/01/01 - 18/12/31 (re-elected 1-year term)
Lisa Laskaridis	17/01/01 - 18/12/31 (re-elected 1-year term)
Britt-Marie Swartz	17/01/01 - 18/12/31 (1 year left on 2-year term)
Cinna Vesterlund	18/01/01 – 18/12/31 (elected 1-year term)
Iris Voltaire	17/01/01 - 18/12/31 (Re-elected 1-year term)
Ewa Rosander	18/01/01 – 18/12/31 (elected 1-year term)
Christina Xenos	18/01/01 – 18/12/31 (elected 1-year term)

Officers for January 1, 2018 - December 31 2018

President	Rebecca Hedlund
Vice President	Malin Dessner
Secretary	Ewa Rosander
Treasurer	Cinna Vesterlund

Directors Adina Forsstrom, Kajsa Kjellander, Hanna Lindqvist, Marija Perisa and Yvette Avenhall resigned from the Board.

8 Annual Report for the Year 2017

The Chairperson presented the Annual Report for the Year 2017. She noted that the Annual Report, together with all other reports, had been available on SWEA NY's webpage for review.

She informed the members that nine Board Meetings had been held during 2017.

SWEA New York had 206 paid members in 2017, including 6 porto members. The annual membership fee was \$60 for members and \$30 for porto members. The membership fee for members under the age of 25 was \$30.

SWEA Bladet was rebranded to SWEA Magazine and one edition published electronically in PDF format in 2017. In addition, SWEA New York members received a monthly newsletter via email, excluding the months of July and August.

In total, SWEA New York organized 50 events in 2017.

Finally, the Chairperson reported that she, on behalf of the Corporation, had attended the 2015 SWEA International World Meeting in Perth, Australia, October 19-22.

After review, there being no question, a copy of the Annual Report was ordered filed with the Minutes of the Meeting, marked Exhibit 4.

9 Treasurer's Financial Report for the Year 2017

The Chairperson welcomed the Treasurer, Yvette Avenhall to present the Financial Statements for the Year ended December 31, 2017 and the Budget for the year 2018.

She noted that SWEA New York Chapter's finances were in good standing. She informed the members that the programs had been profitable and that the members' annual fees covered the dues to SWEA International and OAME in addition to SWEA New York's administrative costs.

There being no further questions regarding the Financial Report, the 2015 Financial Statements and Budget for 2016 were approved and copies of the same were ordered filed with the Minutes of the Meeting, marked Exhibit 5.

10 Auditor's Report for the Year 2017

The Chairperson reported that there had been no Financial Review Committee for the year 2017 and we had instead acquired the services of a CPA, Ann-Christine Westerlund.

11 Scholarship Committee Report for the Year 2017

Iris Voltaire, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee, on behalf such committee, presented the 2017 Scholarship Report which presented an overview of the committee's activities during the year 2017. 11 applications were received. One scholarship in the amount of 3000 USD was awarded to the Swedish Cottage Marionette Theatre for the production of a children's show 'The Story of Beppo the Clown'.

In addition, the SWEA New York Chapter also made a donation in the amount of \$300 to the Swedish Seamen's Church Inc. in New York, for its work in promoting Swedish language and culture through its various programs.

After review, there being no questions, a copy of the Scholarship Report was ordered filed with the Minutes of the Meeting, marked Exhibit 6.

13 Appointments of Nominating Committee for the Year 2018

The Chairperson informed the attendees that Malin Dessner, a director of the Board, was willing to be elected as the representative of the Board of Directors on the Nominating Committee for 2018.

14 Determination of the Annual membership dues for the next fiscal Year 2018

On motion duly made and seconded, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the members:

RESOLVED, That the membership fee for year 2016 remains at \$60 per regular member; and it is further

RESOLVED, That, the fee for a "Porto-member" remains at \$30.

15 Any other business which may be properly brought before the Meeting.

The Chairperson thanked all the former and present directors for their services and the outstanding work they have done for SWEA NY during their terms in office.

16 Adjournment

There being no further business before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 7.22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Malin Dessner, Secretary

/S/ Lisa Sarmiento, Chairperson

/S/ Veronica Stolt, Adjuster

/S/ Inga-Lena Bengtsson, Adjuster