

SIEF Working group Cultural Perspectives on Education and Learning

March 1st 2024, 10-11 pm.

Present: Maria Zackariasson, Elisabeth Wollin, Göran Nygren, Julia Wester, Anna Söderström, Erika Lundell, Nadine Wagener Böck, Audhild L. Kennedy, Maija Mäki, Matilda Marshall.

- **Decision: Election of chair and secretary for the meeting**

Maria Zackariasson was elected as chair for the meeting, and Julia Wester as secretary for the meeting.

- **Decision: Constituting the working group**

We decided on constituting the SIEF Working group “Cultural Perspectives on Education and Learning”. To be a member you need to pay the annual SIEF membership fee.

- **Decision: Election of the working group board.**

We elected the following board members and positions:

- Co-chair 1: Maria Zackariasson (Södertörn University, Sweden)
- Co-chair 2: Erika Lundell (Malmö University, Sweden)
- Secretary: Nadine Wagener Böck (Kiel University, Germany)

- **Discussion: Organization issues (e-mail lists, comments from SIEF board etc) and recruitment of more members**

Based on comments from the SIEF board about our proposal and abstract we talked about:

- Recruitment of possible new members, with a specific focus on researchers from other countries than the Nordic. We will ask colleagues that we think could be interested and spread info about the group in social media and other platforms. We email the board of the group when we find new members to recruit.
- We talked about museums as an important arena for education and that this is a focus we want to strengthen more in the group.

- We said that we will mainly have digital meetings during the time between conferences.
- **Discussion: Activities during spring and autumn 2024 – ideas and discussion**
SIEF can contribute with money for activities for the working group. We can apply for this at first in November 2025.

We decided that we will have one meeting per semester.

We talked about different suggestions on that we want to do in our meetings:

- Use the group as a platform to find researchers to collaborate with
- Speed dating (talk in groups about our research)
- Talk about being an ethnologist/anthropologist in a teacher program
- Invite guests to talk about relevant topics
- Different perspectives on education and museums in different parts of the world
- Develop arguments on why the ethnological/anthropological perspective is needed
- Find central issues of the field, overview of the field, note what perspectives that are missing, research gaps, find themes for panels and research.

Out of this we decided on three strands to work with, in the following order:

1. Central issues of the field
2. Being an ethnologist/anthropologist in a teacher program
3. Share perspectives on education in Europe

Arrangement for meetings:

The next meeting will be held in the end of the spring term, and the one after that in the autumn. The meetings will approximately be two hours and will be held digitally.

The main meeting ended at 11 am. The new board continued with a meeting after that.