



## Swedish-American Chamber of Commerce - Ohio

Regional chapter of SACC-USA, [www.sacc-usa.org](http://www.sacc-usa.org).

### Minutes from SACC-Ohio Annual Meeting, January 17, 2008

In Attendance: Bengt Gerborg, Bo Carlsson, Christian Bernadotte, John Carlson, Josefine Petrie, Ken Johnson, Kenneth Palmman, Lage Jonsson, Lars Eriksson, Matias Bonnier, Michael Miller, Michael Nilsson, Niklas Gerborg, Peter Carlsson, Rolf Bergman, Richard Erickson and Lars Traner

Christian Bernadotte called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the second Annual meeting.

Christian mentioned that the Minutes from last year's Annual meeting were available to be read. Michael Miller made a motion not to read them but to approve them as is and distributed earlier. Second by Lars Eriksson.

Christian proceeded with presenting the election committee's selection for slate of board members for 2008.

They are as follows:

Christian Bernadotte, Bengt Gerborg, Bo Carlsson, Ken Johnson, Lars Eriksson, Erick Carlson, Peter Carlsson, Jessika Ferm, Matias Bonnier, Michael Miller and Lars Traner.

Michael Miller made a motion to accept and John Carlson second.

A vote was taken and all was in favor.

Congratulations to the newly elected board members!

Financial Report: Ken Johnson

Ken presented a year to date statement for 2007 and an event summary for 2007.

A motion was made by Michael Miller to accept the reports as is as there may still be some additional checks coming in from the Lucia event.

A final actual statement is to be delivered at the next business meeting.

Second by Matias Bonnier.

It was voted on and the motion carried.

John Carlson and Michael Nilsson was appointed and accepted to be internal auditors and to present their findings at a 2008 scheduled business meeting.

Michael Miller informed the membership about the upcoming strategy meeting that the board will hold on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

It is for the sole purpose of determining our direction, focus on what resources are and/or can be made available etc... and to make a plan of action going forward.

Michael Nilsson suggested a topic for a future event to be 'Global Warming' as it is a subject of discussion also in Sweden.

Peter Carlsson asked the membership to suggest ways to communicate and exchange information and ideas within the membership.

Lars Eriksson suggested that we reach out to and develop contact with US based companies in our region.

Richard Erickson informed us about the 100 anniversary of the Vasa Nobel-Monitor Lodge on April 19.

The event is to be held at the Holiday Inn in Wickliffe OH.

There is the opportunity for interested parties to advertise in the program. The cost is \$150 for a full page in color, \$100 for a full page in black and white.

\$60 for a half page in black and white and \$35 for a quarter page in black and white.

As there was no other business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Christian Bernadotte and second by Lage Jonsson.

Respectfully submitted, Lars Traner, Secretary SACC-Ohio

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