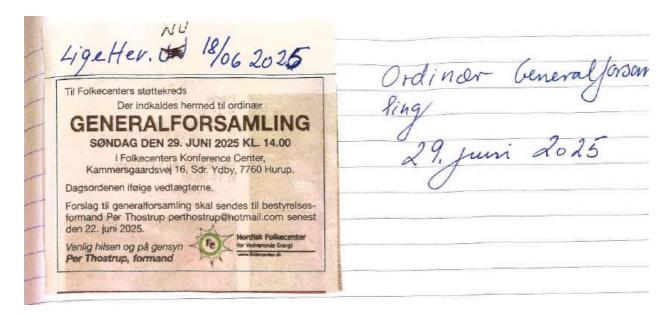
Minutes of Folkecenter's Support Group's General Assembly

29.06.2025



General Assembly at the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy

June 29, 2025 at 2 p.m.

1. Election of chairperson and rapporteur

Lise Nielson elected as conductor and chairperson. Everyone present is also a member of the support group, 23 members present.

2. The board of directors shall submit a report. This shall be attached in writing.

Chairman Per Thostrup says that the message is that the Folkecenter still exists .

We have had a turbulent 2024, and it has cost money, but it has also led to a sharper focus on core values and core operations. We should be able to get through 2025 well, and 2026 looks bright too .

Vice-chairman Henning Bo Madsen adds that there are several continuing activities, especially it is good that there was money to continue the employment of Gitte Davidsen.

There are currently 5 active projects running, funded by CISU, EU (2), Nordic Energy Research, and a commercial project on ESG. Several of the projects will continue into 2026. There are also new applications out, awaiting for evaluation . We have learned that it is dangerous to rely on the Finance Act as the main source of revenue.

Per could further report that the audited accounts for FC have been signed by the auditors without comments, however, with a reservation regarding the finances for continued operations in 2026.

The Director Jane Kruse has worked with several other sources of income, including car sales and rental income.

Jane also says that in the spring of 2025, work is underway to update the website with the employees and active volunteers who provide professional work for the center.

These are Gitte Davidsen, Daniele Pagani, Dorthe Worm, Jane Kruse, Anker Mardal, Anja Krenz, Lene Høeg, Helle Søvsø and Michael Lærum.

The audited accounts of the support group are submitted for approval and the center's annual report and annual accounts are presented for information.

Treasurer Ian Jordan reviewed the annual accounts for 2024. There are 104 paying members as of 31-12-24, including some individual companies. There are more paying members and more company memberships in 2025 already.

Referring to FC's annual budget for 2025, Per said that all income and any profits must remain in the independent institution, which also applies to debt and other liabilities. There are a few unfortunate numbers in the accounts. There is a negative equity of 2.5 million. DKK. raised over a few years in the form of co-financing for projects that could not be covered by other income. In 2024, the negative equity has decreased by DKK 230,000, in the form of own generated income, which is positive and bodes well for the future.

It is difficult to see a better mortgage for the property because the public property value is somewhat greater than the value estimated by the bank.

Donations are very welcome. Everyone is encouraged to put a little extra in the pot and to help find new members for the support group. Donations are not currently tax deductible. It should be possible to obtain 150 individual payers who register with their CPR number, and the other requirements that must be met must also be clarified. It is a call from the general assembly to the board of directors to work on obtaining the right to tax deductions for donations.

Lars Grøn points out that it is not sustainable in the long term to have a persistent negative equity of DKK 2.5 million. The center's focus must be to get rid of the burden that negative equity poses to the operating economy.

lan Jordan points out that the association is not allowed to accumulate profits, according to the rules for this type of organization.

Head of Projects Gitte Davidsen reviewed both the projects that have been completed and the

last money has been paid out in 2025, and the active projects that are in operation in 2025. (See page 96 of the Danish version)

3. Suggestions received

The board proposes to increase the membership fee from the current 100 DKK per person to 200 DKK per person and that family membership fees are discontinued.

The company quota will continue at 1000 DKK as now.

It is proposed that the board work on collecting social security numbers and a higher quota amount this year, in order to be deductible in 2026, and apply for this with SKAT.

It is also proposed to continue to encourage members to donate additional amounts.

4. Election of the members of the support group to the board, cf. §9.

A new board member has to be elected, so that there are 5 members.

Up for election are Nanna Hvelplund and Annette Helm Petersen. Annette Helm Petersen has been re- elected for a 3-year term.

5. Election of alternates

The substitutes need to be elected

Up for election are Judit Szoleczky, Jane Bonnerup, Anna Krenz, Niels. Anna Krenz cannot be elected because she has a contract with FC.

Elected substitutes are Judit Szoleczky, Jane Bonnerup and Niels . Ansø

The substitutes constitute themselves as 1st, 2nd and 3rd substitutes in connection with the next board meeting.

6. Determination of membership fees based on recommendation from the board of directors

The board recommends a fee for private individuals of DKK 200, while companies, educational institutions, associations and organizations pay DKK 1,000.

8. Election of the treasurer of the Support Group

Ian Jordan is elected as treasurer

9. Election of the auditor of the Support group

Jørgen Møller is elected as auditor

10. Orientation of new members of the Support Group

Jane informs about the new members. There are 8 new members in 2025 and there's nothing to talk about from 2024

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11. Other issues

Jane says that SkibstedFjord is now called SkibstedFjord Conference Center. When renting the center for private events, a half-hour briefing for guests about FC's work and renewable energy is included. So far, this has been very limited, and only members of the support group have been able to rent the room. This will continue, and if interest in renting increases, the board must consider whether the scope requires a change in operation.

Jane thanks all the volunteers and all those who support Folkecenter on a daily basis.

There are many positive initiatives taking place in the local area, and there are many visitors, including college students who come to visit.

lan Jordan reminds us of the oil crisis in the 1970s. It led to a lot of inventors, who centered around Folkecenter and its establishment in 1983. 20 different types of windmills, and 20 different solar collectors were invented and tested. Biogas plants were also developed here. Maybe we should invest more in inventors today.

Lene Høgh, civil society expert, held a presentation on Folkecenter's work in Uganda: "Focus on capacity building within climate action – a CISU project".