



British Association of Film,
Television and Screen Studies

Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday 12th July 2018, 1-3pm

Kings College University of London, The Boardroom (KO.16)

- 1. Present:** Andy Moor (Chair), Sue Harris (Secretary), MaoHui Deng, Liz Watkins, Elena Caoduro, Alex Marlow-Mann, Kate Ince, Charlotte Crofts, Ana Maria Sapountzi, Sorcha Ni Fhlainn, Marta Fernandez Suarez

Apologies: Agnieszka Piotrowska, Rajinder Dudrah, James Leggott, Chris Pallant, Anita Biressi (MeCSSA)

The Chair welcomed new EC members Liz Watkins and Ana-Maria Sapountzi to the Executive Committee. He also extended a welcome to Kate Ince (Birmingham conference organiser) and expressed his thanks to BAFTSS member Lawrence Napper for facilitating the use of the room at KCL for this meeting.

- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the last EC held on 11 April 2018, University of Kent**

The Secretary thanked Elena Caoduro for taking minutes at the Kent meeting in her absence.

Corrections:

Spelling of Charlotte Croft to be changes to Charlotte Crofts

Point 11.2: The call has not gone out yet but will do soon.

- 3. Update on Action Points (ALL)**

All done except:

AP 2: outstanding

AP4: recorded on AGM minutes

AP6: ongoing

AP7: ongoing

AP8: Clarify: £500 to SIG Psychoanalysis

- 4. Chair's Report (AM)**

AM reported on a sensitive matter that had been brought to the attention of the office holders of the EC. It involved a complaint relating to a private social media exchange between two BAFTSS members where a serious accusation was made by one member against another. An open discussion about social media protocols followed. This maintained the confidentiality of all parties. The Chair expressed his appreciation and thanks for the respectful input of EC members to the discussion. It was decided that:

- a) We will work on developing Association guidelines for social media protocols and devise a statement of best practice for academic and PG communication on social media.



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- b) We will be conscious of the need to ensure that EQD issues are fully taken on board with specific reference to power relations between members at different stages in their careers and will develop internal protocols that reflect EQD principles.
- c) We will consider what sanction should apply in the event that published protocols are breached and look to embed this formally in the constitution.

5. Membership Report (AMM)

Current membership figures:

151 full members

99 concessionary members

1319 discussion list subscribers

2136 Twitter followers

6. Conference Report (AMM)

We were delighted to record that the conference had been a great success, with everything running smoothly and to time. A lot of positive feedback was received, and much of this related to the high quality of papers presented. The pre-conference PG event on publishing was welcomed and appreciated, and the PG Poster Showcase was deemed to be a great success. It was generally felt that the conference is now firmly on the disciplinary annual calendar. The Chair expressed thanks to Alex-Marlow-Mann and his team for their excellent work.

7. Conference planning (Birmingham 2019) (KI)

Kate Ince reported that rooms have been booked at the University of Birmingham in Muirhead Tower for 25/26/27 April 2019. It was agreed that the theme will be 'Intersecting Identities'.

The following names were proposed in the following categories:

Outstanding achievement: Pam Cook

Industry: Andrea Arnold, Gurinda Chadha, Meera Syal

Academic keynotes: Rosalind Galt, David Martin Jones, Will Higbee

8. Treasurer's Report (EC)

There are ongoing issues which mean that the necessary EC members still do not have signatory privileges but we hope this will be resolved soon. AM is dealing with internet banking and will authorize and process immediate expenses from his personal account and seek reimbursement from the BAFTSS account when this is possible.

Balance on 7 July 2018: £14,763.91

Anticipated balance when pending transaction have been settled: £12,755.21



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9. SIGS Funding (EC)

The Treasurer reported that applications had been received and approved for the following:

Animation SIG: £250

Practice Research SIG: £500

She noted that the initial SIGs are due for review in January 2019 and that GDPR legislation requires that LL SIGs members on the database are active members of BAFTSS.

10. Website update (AMM)

This will be revisited in November 2018

11. *Open Screens* (AM)

Andy spoke as *Open Screens* editor and commended the speed and efficiency of the editorial process. He referred the EC to his email of 19th June 2018 and his proposal for reviewing the constitution of editorial board (decoupled from the EC) of the journal now that it has been successfully launched. He announced that Liz Watkins has been invited and agreed to join Andy, Sorcha and Chris on the editorial board. Sorcha indicated that she welcomed suggestions of books for review. It was confirmed that Marta will act as Editor for commentaries and undertake the appropriate training.

The following were discussed as ways of encouraging future submissions:

- i) making a link between Board and SIGS to ensure breadth and availability of expertise.
- ii) inviting previous winners of best monograph to submit material

12. AOB

There was no other business

13. Schedule of meetings 2018-19 (SH)

The following schedule was agreed:

November 2018 LONDON

January 2019 BIRMINGHAM

April 2019 (at conference with AGM) BIRMINGHAM

July 2019 LONDON