

**Room 151 Birkbeck Main Building
12:30 Lunch 13:00 Start**

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Present CA, RA, AB, CD, GD, MD, PE, DF, LH, RH, JM, SM, LM, VM, AN, AP-K, PR, MS, JS, HS, CS, SW	
Agenda item	Action
1. Apologies	
GD, JH, HS, NJ, JB, CH, NB, MO.	
2. Minutes of 14.01.10	
Approved.	
3.7. Newsletter *	
The following newsletter content was AGREED:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article: Response to HEFCE's REF consultation, in particular the issue of joint submissions from single institutions 	DC, JS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article: Explanation of new ESRC organisational structure. AB is now a member of an ESRC committee (congratulations) but it is a non-decision-making board. There is no socio-legal representation on the super-boards which have decision making powers (see Item 9). 	AB
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article: Sol Picciotto (Oñati) to be invited to write about the World Consortium for Law and Society. 	MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article: Sussex 2011 propose some new and invite suggestions for more themes. 	SM, CS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article: reflect on UWE 2010 themes/streams. 	PE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Idea for exploration: any developments in Nuffield training infrastructure. 	LM
3.8 Website *	
AGREED re. online membership directory update prize draw	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to be run again 	MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be publicised via Recruitment Secretary and Membership Secretary, including amendment of any forms to include mention of it. 	JH, DF,
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SW and MS to liaise on drawing a winner for this round. 	MS,

	SW
4.1.a Annual Conference UWE 2010	
<p>The success of the conference was noted and PR and MO were thanked for their work.</p> <p>264 delegates attended and gave overwhelmingly positive responses, as did publishers and the British Library.</p> <p>Final financial figures are expected by the end of July with profit expected to be about £30,000.</p> <p>Suggestions/learning points for Sussex 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The centralised submission problem proved to be a dead loss, costing about £5000 of the £7000 administration costs and adding no value. • Advice sheet for stream and theme organisers would help to highlight their responsibilities and help those with no experience. <p>AGREED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakdown of publisher (estimated £12,500) to delegate-generated income will be produced. • Further suggestions and relevant documents to be handed over by UWE to Sussex. 	PR, MO
4.1.b Sussex 2011 *	
<p>AGREED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No centralised paper submission system (see 4.1.a). Presenters to submit to named theme/stream coordinators or, in the event that they do not feel able to do this, to submit to named chaperone for unaccompanied papers who will find them a home. • Streams (constant fixtures) and themes (cross-cutting, contemporary topics) to be used again. Sussex to invite suggestions for themes from Executive, Sussex and beyond (see item 3.7). • No nominated hotels. Book your own via visitBrighton.com as proposed by Sussex. • Reception: Prizes to be given at campus reception. Note potential bottleneck problems for Museum reception. No buses for campus-reception commute. • Fees must come down to maximum £300 for members, and to cost level for postgraduates. Consider keeping non-member rate high and emphasising that it is cheaper to joining the SLSA. • Author meets reader session for Book and Article prize to be combined. <p>Outstanding issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to coordinate submission with payment of registration? Perhaps link access to campus accommodation to payment of registration. Other ideas? • Edwin Cameron and Caroline Lucas proposed as plenary (individual or panel) speakers. Format and people to be decided. 	SM, CS
4.1.c. SLSA 2012 *	
<p>Anglia pulled out. Essex failed to produce a timely bid.</p> <p>York and RGU remain. Both promise excellent facilities, but York's are not yet</p>	SW

built. AGREED	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RGU to be accepted for 2012 • York to be offered 2013 	
4.2. Post graduate conference 2011	
LSE are happy to host this event. AGREED:	LM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be held before start of term (10.01.11) to aid room bookings • LM to begin planning, with detail to be planned at 22.09.10 Executive meeting. 	
4.3.c One day conference Socio in Socio-legal	
Susan Silbey (MIT), Nicky Lacey (LSE) and John Clarke (OU) are confirmed. AGREED: Sally Munt (Sussex) would be a suitable non-socio-legal scholar to complement them.	DF
4.4 LSA Honolulu 2012 *	
AGREED: LSA to be informed that SLSA is not able to compile a list of UK leaders in what is such a diverse field; nor is it ready to construct a list of themes.	APK
5.1 Book prize *	
Discussion paper from RH gratefully noted. New requirement for e-submission only has been introduced and must be included in publicity.	MS
AGREED:	RH, DC, SW, APK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New eligibility sub-committee to identify article and book submissions clearly ineligible for lack of socio-legal focus and/or quality (RH, DC and SW with APK where required). • There will be no formal definition of what constitutes socio-legal work. 	
5.2 Article prize	
See 5.1 above.	
5.3 Small grants	
We must carefully balance our efforts to raise funds for the SLSA with our plans to disburse funds from the SLSA. An increase in funding for small grants will help researchers to propose complete and effective projects AGREED: overall budget to increase to £10,000, with up to £2000 to be available for each applicant. Publicity to be updated to reflect this.	DF, MS
5.4 Seminar Competition *	
AGREED: total budget to remain at £5000.	
6. World Consortium for Law and Society *	
There is a need for further detail on the precise aims of the WCLS, and what any	SW,

<p>financial contribution from SLSA would be used for. While it would indeed be beneficial if socio-legal organisations were better able to coordinate information and ideas more, it is not yet clear that this objective would be most effectively achieved through the introduction of the WCLS rather than, for example, simply creating reciprocal weblinks.</p> <p>AGREED: Members of the Executive will attend, and contribute constructively but cautiously to, the proposed WCLS meeting at the Chicago LSA on 29.05.10.</p>	<p>LM, APK, DC</p>
<p>7. Dates for future meetings</p>	
<p>All meetings will take place at either Birkbeck or LSE (to be confirmed) with lunch at 12:30, meeting at 13:00:</p> <p>Wednesday 22 September 2010 Thursday 20 January 2011 Thursday 19 May 2011</p>	
<p>8. REF nominating body</p>	
<p>The SLSA Executive continues to be an REF nominating body. SW will, as usual, contribute to the identification of an REF panel nominee during a biannual meeting of SLSA, SLS and ALT leadership.</p>	<p>SW</p>
<p>9. Any other business</p>	
<p>Need to highlight and question lack of socio-legal representation in relation to ESRC DTC framework.</p>	<p>SW</p>