

## **SLSA Annual General Meeting 2024 Agenda**

Held at the University of Portsmouth, Richmond Building, Portland St, Portsmouth PO1 3DE, Lecture Theatre 1 and online via [Zoom](#) (Meeting ID: 873 7883 2160; Passcode: 385939).

### **In attendance**

John Harrington (JH), Philip Bremner (PB), Emma Milne, Colin Moore, Marie Selwood, Arwen Joyce, Linda Mulcahy, Rosemary Hunter, Simon Sneddon, James Hand, Alex Green, Jen Hendry, Rosie Harding, Kay Lator, Chris Ashford, Bridgette Toy-Cronin, Andra le Roux-Kemp, Raza Saeed, Salome Chapeyama, Smita Kheria, Ben Hudson, Raawiyah Rifath, Andrea Wallace, Neil Graffin, Alex Powell, Katie Hunt, Simon Flacks, Naomi Creutzfeldt, Marie Hutton, Lara Maclachlan, Mini Saxena, Mitchell Travis, Marie Burton, Sahil Mathur, Richard Craven, Beth Kamunge-Kpodo, Camilo Cornejo, Sau Wai Law, Vanessa Ho.

### **Apologies**

Matt Howard

### **1. Approval of minutes from 2023 SLSA AGM**

The minutes were approved.

### **2. Trustee's Annual Report (John Harrington)**

JH presented the Trustee Annual report. He highlighted the following:

- Thanks to the Portsmouth conference team for their excellent work.
- Thanks to the SLSA Board, noted their hard work to complete the activities set out in the Annual Report, ensuring completing tasks fairly and in line with requirements of the SLSA constitution.
- Thanks to Sabrina Germain for her work for the SLSA, standing down at this AGM.
- The SLSA has been a particularly active in the area of EDI: general survey, precarity work (unique area for the SLSA and are looking to scale up this work).
- Ongoing work on international links and impact, including sessions in these areas at the conference this year. Strengthening our international networks.
- Good financial situation – good surpluses from conferences over the last few years. Put the SLSA in a good financial situation, particularly since the difficulties created by COVID 19 and the cancelled 2020 annual conference. The surpluses will be used to:
  1. Ensure resilience of the SLSA's finances.
  2. Website and membership database upgrades.
  3. Giving back to the socio-legal communities: making our activities accessible and extending the resources available for grants and funding.

### **3. Annual Accounts (Philip Bremner)**

PB reported that the forecast for the SLSA budget has been amended to reflect actual donations from conferences in budgets. This also reflects the amount we are holding in our reserves. Spreading the reserve across instant access savings account, notice account and current account, taking advantage of interest rates. The reserve is based on one year's expenses. Noted increased income from conferences and newsletter sponsorship.

#### **4. Retirement and Elections of Trustees and Ex-Officio Trustees**

a) retiring & not standing for re-election [Sabrina Germain]

Reported to the AGM.

b) retiring & standing for re-election [Anna Bryson, Marie Burton, Beverley Clough, Richard Craven, Elisabeth Griffiths, Matthew Howard, Rebecca Moosavian, Mitchell Travis]

All were re-elected.

c) election of up to 2 new Trustees

Dr Andra le Roux-Kemp and Dr Alex Powell were elected.

#### **5. AOB**

Rosemary Hunter noted that the SLSA had a members database on the website in the past, noted it was very useful, allowing members to see who was in a particular area and could be approached for external examining, edited collection etc.

JH thanked Rosemary for the question and advised that the SLSA would take this suggestion to the Board for consideration.

#### **6. Next Meeting**

16<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at the University of Liverpool.