

## Executive Meeting Minutes 20.01.11

## Graham Wallace Room, Old Building, LSE 12:30 Lunch 13:00 Start

(\*) Paper available at http://www.slsa.ac.uk/content/view/105/269/#meet

Present	
JB, SC, DC, GD, MD, PE, DF, CH, RH, APK, MS, JS, HS, SW.	
Wendy Robbins, Sussex Conference Organiser.	
Agenda item	Action
1. Apologies	
AB, JH, PR, CA, SM, JM, VM, NB, AN, RA, NJ, MO, LM.	
2. Minutes of 22.09.10	
Approved.	
3.3 Treasurer*	
Financial situation is serious and costs must be reduced (see also Items 3.4. and 4.2).	
3.4 Membership*	
AGREED	
Membership fees are to be increased £40 for normal members and £20 for students.	
3.5. Recruitment	
3.6. Newsletter *	
AGREED	
400 newsletters to be printed for Brighton.	
The newsletter is a core feature of the SLSA. Although it is expensive, it is important that we continue to produce a hardcopy newsletter at the present rate so that the content is fresh yet durable. Particularly important is distribution at LSA where it is very well received.	

3. 7. Website *	
AGREED	MS
LERSnet pages will be merged with research pages.	
3.8. Webmaster*	
4.1.a. Sussex 2011*	
<ul> <li>Second call will go out as planned in order to ensure maximum attendance but submission deadline will be rigidly enforced.</li> </ul>	JB, SM
<ul> <li>Any ideas regarding potential sponsors are welcome.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Postgraduates will be put in touch with each other via a buddy system, especially in light of the fact that on campus accommodation is no longer being offered.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Local and national firms will be approached for sponsorship and for expression of interest in attending the plenary, perhaps in exchange for CPD points.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Vouchers for free parking to be made available to delegates.</li> </ul>	
AGREED	
<ul> <li>Bursaries to be awarded by the Sussex committee within the budget given by sponsors which is expected to be at least £2000.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Pricing for the registration will be simplified.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Annual General Meeting to be held on the middle day of the conference in the lunch hour.</li> </ul>	
4.2. Postgraduate conference	
Costs were kept to £1000 below last year but only due to personal sacrifice of LM and others. Costs must be reduced in light of the financial situation therefore for 2012:	
<ul> <li>numbers of PG students will be capped at 50 (including residential and non-residential)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>free attendance will continue to be limited to once per student</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>the main annual SLSA conference will continue to be offered to students at cost.</li> </ul>	
AGREED	
<ul> <li>Bristol or Belfast are likely locations for 2012.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>A call for volunteers to contribute sessions for the 2012 conference in will go out in due course. This will include details of any costs to be met by the volunteer.</li> </ul>	
4.3.b. One Day Conference: Socio in Socio-Legal	
The conference was well attended and negotiations for a resulting publication are underway with the Socio Legal Studies series of Palgrave Macmillan.	
More one day conference ideas are needed.	
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4.4. Honolulu 2012*	
5.1. Book prize	
A link to .pdf files of all those book entries that were not discarded as non-sociolegal and all submitted articles has been circulated. RH is to circulate instructions for the judging process.	RH
5.2. Article Prize	
See Item 5.1	
5.3. Small grants	
The sub-committee made 4 awards totalling approximately £5267. The decision was made to fund only the very high quality applications and to leave a substantial portion of the budget unspent.	
5.4. Seminar	
8. Any other business	
SW and DC resigned from their posts as Chair and Vice Chair of the SLSA. Their decision was greeted with deep regret and thanks for their service. They asked that no gifts be given to mark their departure. SW generously offered to personally fund a £500 annual prize for contributions (by a member or non-member) to the socio-legal community. She noted that it is up to the Committee to decide if it can be awarded this year.	
The AGM will be held on April 13, 2011 during the annual conference at the University of Sussex. Elections for vacant Exectutive Committee and Office Holder positions will be held at the time. Dates for future meetings will also be set.	
The next meeting of the Executive is May 19 <sup>th</sup> .	