



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Hosted by the University of Bristol Saturday 10th October 2020, 2:30pm

Present

Twelve people participated in a video conference hosted by the University of Bristol. Names were entered in the Attendees Book in lieu of signing in. No apologies for attendance were received. The AGM was held by video conference this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Welcome

Ellen O’Gorman, Director of the Institute for Greece, Rome and the Classical Tradition at the University of Bristol welcomed participants to the conference and the seventh annual John Addington Symonds lecture in collaboration with OutStories Bristol. 5th October 2020 was the 180th anniversary of Symonds’ birth in 1840. He died on 19th April 1893, aged 52.

Appointment of chair and note-taker for the meeting

Cheryl Morgan and Charlie Beaton were appointed respectively chair and note-taker.

Approval of the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the annual general meeting held 5th October 2019 were approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous AGM.

Annual Report

The annual report, including the financial report, was adopted.

Election of the board of trustees

Five members were nominated for appointment to the board of trustees: Charlie Beaton, Cheryl Morgan, Chris Leigh, Jenny James and Marek Barden. As the number of nominations did not exceed the maximum of twelve trustees allowed by the constitution and no objections were raised, the nominees were approved with the consent of those present.

In memory of Dale Wakefield, a stalwart of the Bristol gay movement, who died on 5th September 2020 aged 78,

Any other business – there was no other business

Dates of future meetings – trustees’ meeting is planned for Tuesday, 17th November 2020 and the next annual general meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 9th October 2021

Seventh John Addington Symonds Lecture

Cheryl Morgan introduced the speaker, Dr Alan Greaves, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Archaeology, Classics and Egyptology at the University of Liverpool, who gave a talk on the long history of statue desecration.

Thanks

Cheryl Morgan thanked Dr Greaves for his talk, attendees, contributors and the University of Bristol’s Institute of Greece, Rome and the Classical Tradition for hosting the event, which marks the anniversary of Symonds’ birth.

The meeting closed at 4pm.