Screenwriting Research Network Executive

Minutes of Executive meeting 14:00 (Vienna time) 25th April 2016 (by Skype)

Present: Claus Tieber (Chair), Ian Macdonald (Minutes), Adam Ganz, Kirsi Rinne, Kerstin Stutterheim, Virginia Pitts

No Apologies

1. Minutes

Minutes from the March meeting were accepted (with thanks to Claus for taking them).

1. Matters arising

Working Groups: VP had written to those interested on 14th April. No responses received.

Archive Project: IM to send jiscmail appeal. To be renamed Resources, and aim is a simple listing A-Z by country/collection name.

1. Stockholm conference

Fees: The high level was noted with dismay, and it was decided that for the next conference the fee level would need to be discussed and approved by the Executive as well as the conference organisers.

Organisation and support: KR has received 2 messages and a letter from some participants, concerned that support is perhaps not as firm as it should be at this stage. Louise Lindbom (LL) has reassured the Executive that applications for State funding have been made and preparations for the conference were advanced, with support from the Swedish Film Institute. A small discussion about SRN finances and membership fees ensued, and it was agreed to revisit this issue again, when appropriate. In the meantime, KR will respond to the enquirers with reassurances.

**Action KR**

1. Future conferences

The Milan conference organisers (2018) are to join our Skype meeting in June.

**Action: CT**

1. Jiscmail list, and other communication etiquette

There had been some complaints received via KR about the tone, style and content of some interventions of one particular SRN member, on jiscmail and via other means available to SRN discussants, including individual emails. These were alleged to have taken place since 2012 and a previous warning about conduct had been given directly to the member concerned. It was agreed to suspend access to posting via jiscmail by this member, with immediate effect.

It is possible to terminate membership of the SRN, under the constitution (4.5), but this would be done by the AGM. It was agreed that this proposal would be put to the AGM, and that the member concerned would be contacted and offered the opportunity to defend themselves. IM would draw together any information already known about this, into one document, if possible.

**Action: KR, IM**

1. Elections to Executive 2016

It was decided to invite Ronald Geerts to act as Elections Officer, with responsibility for the management of the elections this year. IM would approach him.

**Action: IM**

1. Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for May 23rd at 14:00 Vienna time, by Skype.