Screenwriting Research Network Executive

Minutes of Executive meeting 15:00 (Vienna time) 7th December 2016 (by Skype)

Present: Claus Tieber (Chair), Ian Macdonald (Minutes), Ronald Geerts, Virginia Pitts; Carmen Sofia Brenes,

Apologies: Kerstin Stutterheim

1. Minutes

It was reported that IM had failed to produce the minutes for the previous meeting. IM apologised profusely and agreed to rectify the problem.

**Action: IM**

1. AGM minutes

These had been circulated, but corrections needed to be assimilated. EC members to respond by email to CT and corrected minutes to be circulated.

**Action: all, CT**

1. New Zealand Conference

VP reported that 97 abstracts had been accepted, a good number possibly down to the efforts put in by members of the Exec and others, in sending the Call round various lists. VP also noted that she had a good response to her call for a panel on collaborative screenwriting. It looks like the membership has responded. Thanks to all!

VP reported that the conference fee was now set at $200NZ for early bird registrations, and $300NZ after that. This fee included coffees and teas but not lunches. More information after the NZ summer break.

1. Membership form

This form will be sent to all members, as a new Survey. The intention is to repeat the exercise every two years, for up to date info.

Discussion around the new draft form resulted in agreement for its adoption, and to include a one-line statement explaining that the SRN is open to non-affiliated scholars. IM to draft suitable sentence.

**Action: IM**

1. Association of Adaptation Studies study day 2018

IM reported a suggestion from Jamie Sherry (Bangor) that we join up with the AAS for a one-day conference/study day in early 2018. The executive was interested in principle, and asked for more info. IM to respond to Jamie.

**Action: IM**

1. Executive and real meetings

The suggestion of holding a face to face one-day workshop meeting for the Exec is still welcomed. However, practicalities are more difficult. The idea of meeting in the UK, at VP’s house, is welcomed but again, may not be practical. Each member of the Exec is tasked with coming up with a practical suggestion for the next meeting. (Carmen is excused as she already came up with one, not adopted).

**Action: all except CB**

1. Jiscmail etiquette and membership

RG had contacted the members who had first raised the issue of objectionable behaviour via SRN channels, and explained the recent decisions of the Exec and the AGM. They were relieved and satisfied and this case now appears closed. However, we still need to decide on the final status of the member concerned, and then to communicate this to them.

**Action: all, RG**

1. Dates and time of next meetings

4th January 2017 16:00 Vienna time, by Skype. **NOTE change of start time.**

**Action: all**