

Minutes of the ISCH AGM, Oslo, 5 August 2011 prepared by David Smith

1. Present: 46 members signed the attendance list
2. Minutes of the AGM held in Turku 28 May 2010: approved
3. Report of the Committee for 2010: this was read by Hannu Salmi and was approved
4. Account for 2010 and update for 2011. These were presented by David Smith and were approved.
5. Report of the Editor in Chief of *Cultural History*. Marjo Kaartinen explained that the flow of submissions and quality had been good. The first acceptances would be sent in early September, but the contents for the first two numbers has yet been finalised. Anybody with an article ready for submission was urged to submit it asap. It is still possible for the journal to take a few more articles in 2012. The first number would come out in March. Marjo displayed the cover, style sheet etc on the Edinburgh University Press web site.
6. Publication series: Anu Korhonen and Birgitta Svensson reported. Chris Dixon remains a member of the editorial board but Jürgen Pieters has resigned

Two monographs have been accepted, *A Cultural History of the Radical Sixties in the San Francisco Bay Area* by Anthony Ashbolt and *Statistics, Public Debate and the State, 1800–1945: A Social, Political and Intellectual History of Numbers* by Jean-Guy Prévost and Jean Pierre Bead. See

http://www.pickeringchatto.com/series/studies_for_the_international_society_for_cultural_history for more details. It is anticipated that one edited collection would be accepted shortly.

Anu and Birgitta encouraged members to submit additional proposals and to be in touch to discuss them in the first instance. The drew attention to the style sheet and other guidance on the Pickering and Chatto website.

7. Prize Committee Report Jörg Rogge reported that 8 submissions had been received covering topics concerning England, Scotland, Germany, Argentina, and Australia and the middle ages onwards. The prize was awarded to an essay on the cultural history of sleep by Erin Sullivan of the University of Birmingham. Jörg read out her message of thanks.
8. Post graduate and early career network: James Emmott reported that 15 had attended a meeting and that there was now a plan to work as a Facebook group.
9. Lunéville conference: This will take place in July 2012 and will be on the Cultural History of Work. The conference will take place in the chateau but the accommodation will be at hotels etc nearby.
10. Changes in Membership: David Smith and others explained this is under discussion by the committee, the current proposal being that in future there will be an annual membership fee of £25 for unwaged and £35 for waged, including reduced conference fees and 2 numbers of the

journal. It is further suggested that for the existing unwaged members who have paid £5 after 1/1/2011 the subscription for 2012 will be £20. Likewise for the existing waged members who have paid £10 after 1/1/2011, the subscription for 2012 would be £25. Membership for those who have not paid the fees just referred to will cease just before the Lunéville conference. Those conference participants who have not paid the fees will be charged a supplement to the conference fee of £25 (unwaged) or £35 (waged) - and this money will be paid over to the Society. Such people will become members for the year and will receive two issues of the journal.

David explained that the Society is obliged to buy 200 copies of each volume of the journal from the publisher at £25 each, to supply address labels, and to pay for the postage. But when the income reaches £18,000 we will receive 10% for Society funds and £500 editorial expenses.

Questions were raised as to whether a level of membership without the journal subscription, or with electronic only subscription will be possible. This will be considered further by the committee. It will certainly be possible for members to join by paying the usual fees but to decline to receive paper copies of the journal in the post, if for example they have access to their institution's paper or electronic version.

Members were urged not to take up individual subscription to the journal as advertised by Edinburgh University Press but to wait for the new ISCH membership subscription to be up and running. However, they were urged to ask their institution to take out an institutional subscription as soon as possible.

It has been suggested that the Committee will also co-opt a membership secretary who will be responsible for collecting membership fees and supplying the address labels to the Press. A new electronic membership application system will be devised substituting for the University of Aberdeen online store.

The Committee will also have to settle the future of the membership list on the Society's website.

9 Election: there were 5 places and 5 candidates so there was no need for an election. The 5 new members of the committee are as follows:

Seldağ Ceylan, Ankara

Marius Kwint, Portsmouth

Stephen Wallace, Plymouth

Catherine Ng, Aberdeen

Phillip Amour, Fribourg

10 Auditor Since the current treasurer and auditor will be retiring, the AGM agreed to authorise the Committee to approve a suitable person nominated by the new Treasurer

11. Any other business. Hannu Salmi read out the draft manifesto for the Istanbul conference, 2013, and appealed to members to suggest venues for future conferences. Mexico and Canada had been mentioned as possibilities