## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the ISCH in Lunéville, 5 July 2012

1. Opening of the AGM

The Chair opened the meeting.

2. The reception of the Report of the Committee

The Chair read the Report of the Committee, which was approved.

3. The reception of the Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer Catherine Ng participated the AGM via skype. The audited accounts were screened for the audience. The closing balance of University of Aberdeen account on 31 December 2011 was GBP 205.00, while the closing balance of Bank of Scotland account was GBP 2,872,01. Total closing balance was thus GBP 3,077.01. Honorary Auditor Alex Sutherland had examined the Society's account on 15 June 2012. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

4. The reception of the Report of the Editorial Board of the Society's Journal

The journal was launched in April 2012, and had thus no public activity in 2011. By the time of the AGM, the first issue had just been published. The editor-in-chief Marjo Kaartinen told that there was already a backlog of several papers. Co-operation with Edinburgh University Press has worked very well.

- 5. The reception of the any other reports as deemed necessary by the Committee:
- (a) The Report of the Publication Series

The report written by Birgitta Svensson, Anu Korhonen and Chris Dixon was read in the AGM. It was announced that there is now four forthcoming volumes in the series, three of them coming in 2012, and one in 2013. These books are

- Jean-Guy Prévost and Jean-Pierre Beaud: Statistics, Public Debate and the State, 1800–1945. A Social, Political and Intellectual History of Numbers
- Anthony Ashbolt: A Cultural History of the Radical Sixties in the San Francisco Bay Area.
- Jonas Liliequist Editor: *A History of Emotions*, 1200–1800.
- Marjo Kaartinen: *Breast Cancer in the Eighteenth Century*.

## (b) Report on the Postgraduate Network

A short report on the postgraduate network was read at the AGM, with the idea of trying to activate it more in the future.

(c) The Report of the Istanbul conference in 2013

The report was read and approved. The conference in Istanbul will be organized on 11-14 September 2013 under the title *Artefacts, Culture and Identity*.

6. The reception of the Chair's Report on the ballot for the election of members of the Committee

There was one vacant position in the committee. Therefore, there had been a call for candidates in May. Three members of the society took part in the election, Alessandro Arcangeli, Eivind Engebretsen and Evy Johanne Haaland. Since there was only one position, an election had to be organized. The election was announced on 26 June by the Secretary Rainer Brömer via email to all members. The election ended on 2 July. As a result, Alessandro Arcangeli got 66 % of the votes and was elected to the committee.

7. The approval of a qualified person to examine the Society's accounts for the coming year

Dr Alex Sutherland has kindly promised to continue as an auditor.

## 8. Other issues

The AGM held a discussion on future conference sites. There was already an initial idea to organize the 2014 conference in South Africa. In the AGM, both Bucharest (Ecaterina Lung) and Trieste (Gabriella Valera) expressed interest in organizing the 2015 conference. It was decided that the committee continues negotiations on this.

There was no other business.

9. Closing of the AGM

The Chair closed the meeting.