

The Business Archives Council of Scotland

BACS 61st Annual General Meeting

Virtually via Zoom due to COVID 19

Corporate Connections event 'Collecting in a Crisis' – A Guide to Rescuing Business Records. Discussion led by Dr Christopher Cassells, Business Archives Surveying Officer

10:30am, Wednesday 16th December

Present

President – Prof Anthony Slaven

Secretary - Cheryl Traversa

Business Archives Surveying Officer – Dr

Christopher Cassells

Andrew Eadie

Dawn Sinclair

Darren Jubb

Jim Brown

Kirsten Kininmonth

Jacqui Seargeant

Convenor - Amanda Noble

Treasurer - Robin Sim

Dr Alison Rosie

Andrew MacGregor

Kiara King

Karyn Williamson

Samantha Case

William Collier

Antony Harrison

Sandy Stewart

1. Apologies for absence

None received.

2. Matters arising: Approval of minutes

The minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting of the Business Archives Council of Scotland held on 01 Sep 2019

were approved. (*Proposed: Tony; Seconded: Kirsten*)

3. BACS 60th anniversary

New logo announced.

Series of archive films by Prickly Thistle played.

Journal should be published next year and hope to have event when Covid-19 restrictions are lifted

4. Election of Officers and Honorary Members

All officers have indicated their desire to continue in their respective roles. Our current officers are:

Convenor: Amanda Noble; Secretary: Cheryl Traversa; Deputy Convenor: Professor Sam McKinstry, Journal editors: Professor Sam McKinstry and Dr Alisdair Dobie, Honorary Treasurer: Robin Sim and President: Anthony Slaven. These elections were unanimously carried. (*Proposed: Kiara; Seconded: Alison*)

5. Election of the Executive Committee

The remaining committee members have also indicated their desire to remain on the committee: Dr Alison Rosie, Andrew MacGregor, Dawn Sinclair, Karyn Williamson, Kiara King and Prof. Ray Stokes, Christopher Cassells, Dr Ying Ding and Dr Kirsten Kininmonth. (*Proposed: Cheryl; Seconded: Dawn*)

Amanda welcomed new members on the call to join committee and as members.

6. Presentation of Annual Report and Accounts for 2019/2020

6.1 Convenors report:

Amanda Noble highlighted publication of the journal in August 2019 with Paisley special edition.

In 2021 BACS will continue to celebrate its 60th Anniversary with a series of activities and events. Work is currently underway on our anniversary journal to be published in 2021 which will reflect on the achievements of BACS over the last 60 years.

6.2 Honorary Treasurer's Report:

Received no queries or questions and Robin confirmed we are solvent. (*Proposed: Tony; Seconded: Amanda*)

6.3 Honorary Secretary's Report:

Membership of BACS currently stands 102 members including 13 corporate members. We welcomed a new corporate member G.L Watson & Co. Ltd who have recently relocated back to Glasgow from Liverpool with their archive.

6.4 Business Archives Surveying Officer Report:

Highlights: last 9 months had a major impact on movement of surveying officer, focus has been on preparedness for the increase in business closure in 2021.

- Scottish Amicable Life Assurance Co going to Glasgow University Archives Services
- The proposed National Football survey was difficult to commence due to pandemic. In touch with Aberdeen and visited Rangers to view photographic collection.
- Trip to Western Isles, number surveys on Lewis architect, crofting co-operative and solicitors' firms.
- Focusing on targeted surveys across country.

6.5 Election of independent examiner of the annual accounts

Nominated Prof Ray Stokes. *Proposed: Karen, Seconded: Robin*

7. A.O.C.B.

Members were asked if they had anything to raise at the meeting, Alison Rosie thanked all office holders for their work throughout the year under challenging circumstances.