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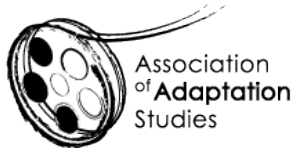
28 September 2018

- 1. To approve the minutes of the AAS AGM, held 18 September 2017**
- 2. Chairs' report**
 - The Laurence Raw Conference Bursary
 - Essay Prize winners
 - Trustees and Executive Officers
 - Membership
- 3. Treasurer's report**
- 4. Future AAS conferences**
- 5. Objectives for 2018/19**
- 6. Date of Next Meeting**

Minutes of the AAS Annual General Meeting held 18 September 2017 De Montfort University

1. The minutes of the 2016 AAS meeting were approved.
2. The election (and re-election) of Association trustees was announced. The AAS trustees now include Judith Buchanan, Deborah Cartmell, Kamilla Elliott, Julie Grossman, Douglas Lanier, R. Barton Palmer, Homer Pettey, Jamie Sherry, Jeremy Strong, and Imelda Whelehan. The Association's executive roles were announced, with Judith Buchanan and Jamie Sherry serving as AAS Co-chairs, Deborah Cartmell serving as Treasurer, and Kyle Meikle serving as Secretary.
3. Deborah Cartmell as Treasurer reported on AAS finances. There is some surplus budget to be spent in the interests of the Association (eg travel bursaries, essay prize, website, etc).
4. The co-chairs noted that we have both national and international travel bursaries for the AAS conference, and that we hope to sustain those again next year.
5. The co-chairs announced that Joyce Goggin has offered to host the annual conference at the University of Amsterdam next year, the tenth anniversary of AAS's last meeting in Amsterdam. The conference would take place in conjunction with the Amsterdam School of Cultural Analysis. The conference theme is under discussion.
6. The co-chairs asked the assembly to begin thinking beyond 2018, noting one informal proposal for the 2019 conference. They asked the assembly for any other expressions of interest in the next three to four weeks, including: the premises for the potential conference, major rooms, capacities, pictures, an idea of who the conference chairs would be, other conferences the interested party has run, and a proposal for the theme, and whether the conference would be financially autonomous. The co-chairs reminded the assembly that no one has taken a loss on conference in recent years.
7. The winner of the 2017 Essay Prize was announced: Alexis Brown of Oxford, for her essay 'A "game of patience": Fidelity and Grant Gee's *Patience* (After Sebald)'. The essay is now available online.
8. The co-chairs encouraged members to continue sending any news, book announcements, conference announcements, or calls for papers to Jamie or Kyle for publication on the AAS website. Jamie plans on extracting data about website usage down the line. Kamilla Elliott commended the website redesign. Jean Sherry's contribution to the redesign was celebrated by all.
9. The co-chairs asked members to make them aware of any other adaptation studies-related activities in which AAS might get involved or help to promote. The co-chairs asked how the body could broaden its activities in any way and reminded members that the AAS is a good channel through which to advertise any shared interests. Eckart Voigts noted that MLA used to feature sponsored panels. Doug Lanier explained that the AAS would first have to be designated as an area of interest group; he made plans to look into the matter. Barton Palmer reminded the body that the AAS has had a strong (multi-panel) presence at SAMLA for the past three years. Julie Grossman suggested a stronger relationship between AAS and the Literature Film Association—co-sponsoring or possibly joining for a meeting at some point. Allen Redmon and Dennis Cutchins mentioned that both regional and national Popular Cultural Association conferences include multiple adaptation panels (four to five in the regional, upwards of fifteen in the national). Co-chair Judith Buchanan explained that we need not necessarily pursue structural relationships with these adjacent organizations, but they could disseminate information to/through us and us to/through them.
10. The targets for 2017-18 were announced:
 - (i) organizing the conference for Amsterdam;
 - (ii) making sure that the website has a presence.
11. The Association recognized Anna Blackwell's hard work in the administrative role of membership secretary. As Anna is stepping down, they asked that anyone else interested in Association administrative work make their interest known to the Trustees via email.

12. Co-chair Judith Buchanan closed on the note that it was a privilege to be part of this productive, supportive and collegial community (nods of assent around the room) and by reminding Trustees that there would be a Trustees' meeting across lunchtime the following day.



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Treasurer's Report 2018-19

AAS Account at August 2017 £9451.28
 AAS Account at 3 September 2018 £8193.90

Expenses: OUP Subscriptions: £1026; LCFC Dinner £2490; Website Fees £71.98, £120.00; Chair Expenses: £49.40

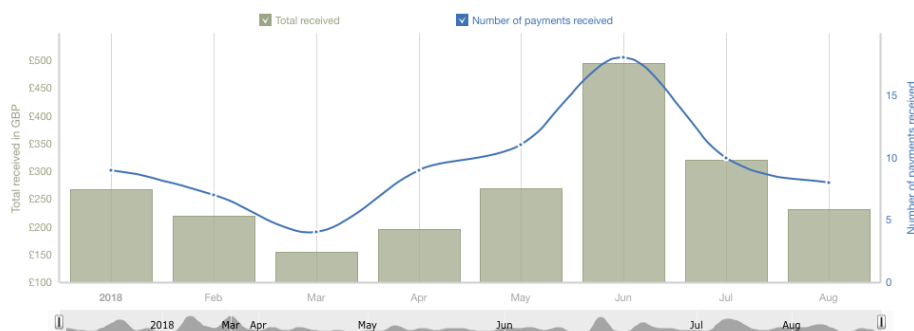
Commitments for 2018: travel and accommodation for chairs; travel bursaries for AAS Conference, Amsterdam

There has been a noticeable decline in memberships over the last year as can be seen on the AAS PayPal yearly account.

2018 Activity

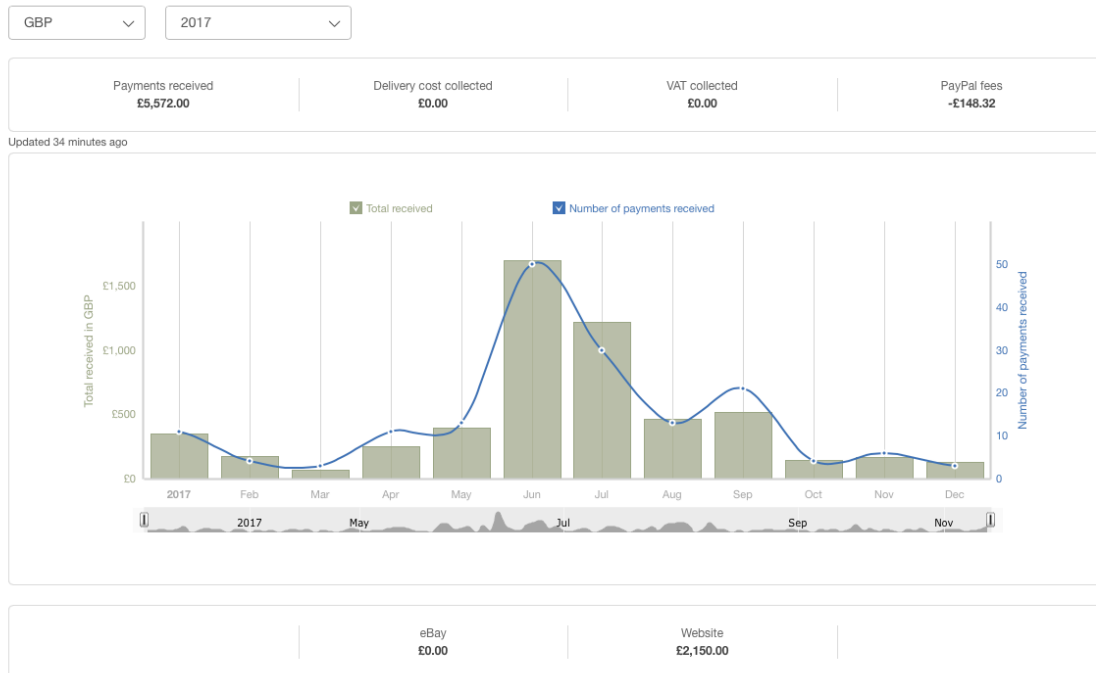
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2017 Activity



PayPal Activity in 2017 resulted in payments of £5572.00 compared to £2152 in 2018. If the dinner fee is discounted from 2017 (£2490.00), this results in a difference of £930. It is important that the Membership Secretary checks conference registration against membership subscriptions and that the trustees discuss the decline at the AGM.

A full statement will be lodged with the Charity Commission for England and Wales in November/December 2018 (by the Chair of the Association of Adaptation Studies).

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