**Agenda and Order of Business - Extraordinary General Meeting BSP - June 5th - 1pm-2pm via Zoom**

**Chair:**President of the British Society for Phenomenology - Patrick O'Connor

**Standing Items:**

1. Apologies for Absence/Declaration of Proxies
2. Receive and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings/Matters Arising

**Items for Decision/Discussion**:

1. Financial Arrangements - Company [BSP] Contracting Services [POC]
2. Inauguration of Prize [HB & POC]
3. Conference 2021 - Decision
4. Conference 2020 update [DD]
5. Inclusion Officer [DD]
6. Any updates from Executive Committee with roles [ExCo]
7. AOB

**Materials included:**

* (for Standing Item 2) Minutes from previous meeting (p. 2-4)
* (for Items for Decision 3) Conference proposal (p.5-6)

# Standing item 2:

**Minutes: AGM 2019**

**Date:** 05/09/2019 **Chair:** Matthew Barnard **Minutes:** David Deamer

**Quorum:** 9 confirmed BSP members were in attendance, exceeding a quorum.

**ExCo Attendance:** Matthew Barnard, Keith Crome, David Deamer, Patrick O’Connor

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| **Item** | **Leader** | **Summary of Discussion** | Motion | Action |
| *1. Welcome* | MB | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| *2. Appointments and Resignations* | MB | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| *2a. Presidential Election* | MB | Members were asked to confirm or reject the ExCo’s nomination of Patrick O’Connor to be BSP  President. | That Patrick O’Connor becomes BSP President: *passed unanimously* | n/a |
| *2b. Impact Officer* | MB | The ExCo moved that Keith Crome be appointed to as the first  incumbent of the new role ‘Impact Officer’. | That Keith Crome be appointed to as the first incumbent of the new role ‘Impact Officer’: *passed*  *unanimously* | Treasurer (Ross Clark) to ensure that a budget is created for the Impact Officer |
| *3. Presidents Report* | POC | POC reported that the society continues to grow and that an Editorial Collective has been created to run the journal.  The contract with Taylor and Francis, the journal publisher, is up for renewal. The President and Editor in Chief will consider other publishers, as part of due diligence, before making a decision. | n/a | n/a |

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| *4. Membership Secretary’s Report* | MB, on behalf of Vanessa Crome | Membership has risen from 8 in 2014 to between 55 and 80 depending on time of year.  Current arrangement for purchasing journal subscriptions from T&F is costly. MB and VC ask that this be taken up with the publisher during negotiations | n/a | POC and Darian Meacham, Editor in Chief of the JBSP, to attempt to negotiate better terms for our purchase of subscriptions, ideally a discounted rate on each journal rather than receiving a certain amount for  free. |
| *5. Treasurer’s Report* | POC, on behalf of Ross  Clark | Society continues to be fiscally secure, enabling the Society to budget funding more ambitious  projects. | n/a | n/a |
| *6. Journal Editorial Collective Report* | POC, on behalf of Darian Meacham | New editorial collective has been formed and is running effectively. It will be moving to an editorial management system and their strategic goal is to reduce the turnaround time for a decision on  submissions. | n/a | n/a |
| *7. Motion for new role: Technology Officer* | POC | POC argued that a new role should be created with responsibility for  leading the Society’s technological ventures and responsibilities, such as its podcast, web platforms, and EU GDPR data compliance. This role will replace the current role of ‘Web Officer’ and take over the data compliance responsibilities currently resting with the Secretary. | That this role should be created and an appointment made by the end of January: *passed via majority (7 in favour, 3 abstentions).* | POC to take the lead on appointing someone to fill the Technology Officer role |

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| *8. Any other Business* |  | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| *8.a – Executive Committee Meetings* | KC | KC raised some queries and made suggestions regarding ExCo Meetings and AGMs. He asked:   * That AGMs distribute the reports before the event * That the minutes of the AGM be distributed to the ExCo * That an ExCo meeting be held soon   The Secretary (MB) agreed to all points | n/a | DD to send MB the minutes  MB to collate minutes and distribute to the ExCo  MB to organise an ExCo meeting before the end of the year. |
| *8.b – Executive Committee Review* | POC | A discussion lead to queries about the roles and responsibilities in the ExCo and confusion over role descriptions, along with the new roles. POC suggested that there be a review to clarify things with respect to the Articles of Association and  agreed definitions. | That job roles and descriptions of agents of the Society be reviewed and clarified: *passed unanimously* | DD and MB to provide a report on this to the President |

Proposal for Joint British Society for Phenomenology and Irish Philosophical Society conference.

The proposal is to host the annual BSP and IPS conferences over 2½ days from 3rd September

-5th September 2021. The Discipline of Philosophy within the School of History and Philosophy at NUIG would be responsible for organizing facilities on the ground in consultation with the BSP and the IPS.

# Theme

We propose a CFP which invites papers on a specific theme and ask that they engage with phenomenological work in the area. In other words, we should encourage dialogue between phenomenological and other traditions. A possible could be “**the Future as a Present Concern**”: looking at obligations to future generations, the future as a temporal orientation, action and the possibility of novelty, future threats in relation to present security, territoriality and migration, democratic structures and future planning etc. This theme is one which is not alone current, but has can be addressed in a number of philosophically fruitful ways.

# Location

It is proposed that the conference takes place on campus at the National University of Ireland, Galway. This is a beautiful campus with well equipped lecture rooms and eating facilities. It is a short distance from Galway City Centre which has many restaurants and pubs and is located in a very picturesque part of Ireland.

# Structure

It is envisaged that the conference will consist of three plenary sessions and 12 parallel sessions. This would require the hiring of one lecture hall and two class rooms.

# Finance

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| **Expenses** |  |  |  |  |  | **Income** |  |  |  |
| Room Booking |  |  |  |  |  | Full (Fees) @  €50 | x 30 | 1500 |  |
|  | Lecture hall | | 472 |  |  | Fees (Concession) @ €25 | x20 | 500 |  |
|  | Large class rooms x 2 | | 340 |  |  | **Total Fees** | |  | 2,000 |
| **Room booking total** |  |  |  | 812 |  | NUIG |  |  | 750 |
| Catering |  |  |  |  |  | BSP |  |  | 750 |
|  | Welcome reception | | 1500 |  |  | IPS |  |  | 750 |
|  | Coffee x 5 | | 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Catering total** |  |  |  | 2100 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accomodation x 6 nights | |  | 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Accomodation** |  |  |  | 600 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Travel | Europe/UK | | 150 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Ireland |  | 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Travel** |  |  |  | 200 |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Grand total** |  |  |  | 3712 |  |  |  |  | 4,250 |

The above budget is based on an assumption of ca. 50 attendees and that the conference dinner is paid for by the attendees with a small subsidy.

Of this amount what we would propose is that the contributions from IPS, BSP and NUIG be capped at €750 each, whereby in the unlikely event of a shortfall, NUIG will cover it.

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