

# **CAA2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

has been held on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 18:00 - 19:30 Venue: Panthéon SO2,

# Minutes members present: ca 135

- 1. (Draft) Minutes of the CAA2013 Annual General Meeting held on March 27<sup>th</sup> 2013, University of Perth, Australia
  - Carried without alterations
- 2. Matters arising
  - none
- 3. Chairman's report
  - Nick Ryan Bursary Last year's winner of the prize for best paper, Benjamin Davies, is welcomed and PhD students are reminded to apply for this year.
  - Upcoming related conference: The Connected Past, Paris April 26 2014.
     Organised by Tom Brughmans (<u>Tom.Brughmans@uni-konstanz.de</u>).
  - Upcoming related conferences: Juan Antonio Barcélo organises "SIMULATING
    THE PAST TO UNDERSTAND HUMAN HISTORY", Barcelona, September 1st to 5th,
    2014, as part of the EU Social Simulation Conference (<a href="http://www.essa2014.eu/">http://www.essa2014.eu/</a>).
  - Upcoming related conferences: 17<sup>th</sup> UISPP congress, Burgos 1-7 September 2014.
     Sessions: The scientific value of 3D archaeology. Organised by Hans Kamermans (<a href="https://h.kamermans@arch.leidenuniv.nl">h.kamermans@arch.leidenuniv.nl</a>), Chiara Piccoli & Robert Scopigno.
  - Related conferences: CAA organised a "special event" at the Digital Heritage Congress in Marseile in October 29 2013 under the title "CAA Fall 2013 Symposium". (CAA Liaison Officers: Jeff Clark (<u>Jeffrey.Clark@ndsu.edu</u>) and Axel Posluschny (<u>posluschny@dainst.de</u>). Papers will be published. Plans are for a DHC in 2015. CAA intends to participate.
  - Hembo Pagi has integrated the membership database with the Open Conference System.
- 4. Membership Secretary's report
  - CAA2014 is the most international conference ever: participants from 37 countries, 449 attendees, with a large contingent from France: ca 100, from UK: ca 70, from Germany: 58.
- 5. Treasurer's report
  - Balance on 31st of December 2013 show a plus of € 10,165,-.
  - A large sum € 6200,- has been devoted to the IT solutions amongst which is the development of a members database that is integrated with the Open Conference System.
  - € 2000,- was paid for the editing of all the proceedings of the CAA2012 at Southampton, who had run into serious financial problems.
  - In order to enable in the future unsupported Officers to travel to the December meeting of the Officers an increase of the Membership fee from 60 €/15 € to 75



€/19 € euros (full/concession) is proposed. This measure, we think, is necessary to allow for younger members, who have no budget from there institution, to become part of the Executive Steering Committee or the Officers.

## 6. Publication Officer's report

- Dealt with the financial loss of CAA2012 Southampton and, for once only, stepped in with € 2000 to pay for the editing the proceedings which would benefit all members.
- Printing of CAA2012 papers was delayed because of this. Online papers will be made available within a few weeks.
- The archiving of CAA digital and printed proceedings at Southampton is still below standards. Tübingen University Library seems a good place to store both digital and printed proceedings and will be further investigated.
- CAA2013 Perth proceedings editing will be ready in July and will be printed by AUP in December.
- At the Round Table devoted to the publication process, most attendees agreed on moving towards full online publication, with printing on demand option. The editorial board will investigate the consequences for authors.
- Editorial Board:
  - o Karsten Lambers has left the board and is thanked for his contributions
  - Arianna Traviglia, François Giligny, Daniel Löwenborg are the present members and one position still open (CAA 2015 organiser).

### 7. Student/Low Income report

• € 14.130 total amount of bursaries available. 50 applied, 45 have been awarded amounts ranging from € 110 - € 600. Remarkably no US students applied.

#### 8. Flection of officers

Steve Stead proposes as new secretary Tom Brughmans. As no other candidates have been proposed Tom is appointed as the new CAA secretary. Guus is thanked and offered a Captain of CAA Cap and Honourary Life Long Membership for his 7 years as secretary.

- 9. The transformation on 1st of January 2015 from Conference Organiser to a Network Community
  - Benefits of a network organisation are a closer bond of members with the CAA organisation and among themselves throughout the year. In its turn this strengthens CAA as a unique association.
  - Members get a 10% discount at Oxbow and Archaeopress.
  - Membership fees will be directly paid to CAA and not to the Organiser
  - At the same time the membership fee will be raised slightly to cover travel costs for the Officers December meeting, only when needed. Unused funds will benefit the bursary budget. An increase of the Membership fee from 60 €/15 € to 75 €/19 € euros (full/concession) is proposed and accepted by the AGM without opposition. The proposal is carried unopposed.



- Local Chapters are reminded to provide an short annual report together with the names, function and email addresses of the local Officers. These will be published on the CAA website.
- Local Chapters are reminded to use the official CAA LOGO on their web site. The Logos are downloadable from the web site, but also Hembo Pagi will assist in adjusting the logo to local taste.
- Local Chapters that have already chosen their own logo should make a transition plan.
- 4 national Chapters take the opportunity to present at the spot a short report (Poland, Germany, Hungary and Sweden).

#### 11. CAA2015

- Status of preparations and information for participants is given by Stefano Campana
- 12. CAA2016 Presentation of bid(s). Both Norway (Oslo) and China (Xi'an) present their bids.
  - The Steering Committee proposes to the AGM to vote for Norway for several reasons:
    - Norway has a track record of attending CAA and are active within a National Chapter. China has neither.
    - CAA has not yet been to Norway, but we were in Beijing only three years ago
    - The community of Norwegian archaeologist is highly involved in the preparations and will contribute to the conference. Experience in Beijing was that the archaeological community was nearly completely absent.
       There is no sign of improvement for the 2016 event.
  - Norway is elected as the CAA2016 organiser by a very large majority (ca 100 persons). 5 members vote for China.
- 13. CAA2017 and beyond Bids are invited for 2017.
  - Atlanta USA is preparing to present a bid at the AGM 2015 in Sienna to become Organiser of CAA2017.
- 14. Any other business
  - None
  - Meeting closed at 19:40.

Guus Lange Tom Brughmans