

THE DANCE SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

c/o The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, 37 Spital Square, London E1 6DY
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MINUTES OF THE 30TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD IN THE LAKE DISTRICT
Saturday 22nd September
2018

Present:

The Committee

Dorian Crone - Chairman
Hannah Reynolds - Secretary
Conor Meehan - Treasurer
Nigel Hammett
Mary Henn
Oliver Wilson

Members:

George Hodgson*
Matt Loosley*
Pamela Dziwulska*
Mary Briggs
John Francis Bucknall
Catharine Bull
Declan Cahil
Paul Crosby
Silvia Demeter-Lowe
Kristian Foster

Jonathan Garlick
Chloe Granger
Naomi Hatton
Jane Holt
Philip Hughes
James Innadale
Aoife Murphy
Meriel O'Dowd
Philip Orchard
Mya Polenz

Arnold Root
Philippa Soodeen
Lucy Stewart
Andrew Townsend
Lilian Tuohy-Main
Nicholas Warns
Naomi Hatton
**denotes current Scholar*

Apologies:

Joanne Kelly
Sarah Ball
Sarah Robinson
Tim Greensmith
Naill Bird
Louise Bainbridge
Joanna Daykin
Alistair Hunt
Susannah Witmore
Rebecca Harrison
Neil Birdsall
Elgan Jones
Joanna Mitchell
Paul Simons
Nick Hurst
Francis Maude
Ian Angus

Dearbhail Keating
Simon Hurst
Robert Williams
Sarah Moore
Pippa Smith
Kristie Robbins
Robert Kilgour
Charlie De Bono
Mary Kerrigan
Susan Ranson
Malcolm Nixon
John Goom
Jessica Hunnisett Snow
Triona Byrne
Jo Hibbert
Peter Ayley
Nicola Westbury

Simon Cartlidge
Boris Bogdanovich
Nick Cox
Izaak Hudson
Maria Persak-Enefer
Janet Collings
Stanley Goodhew
Henry Sanders
Donald Insall
Hugh Conway Morris
Susan McDonough
Arthur Francis
Jonathan Carey
Stanley Goodhew
Rachel Bower
Rachel Morley

1.0	Welcome	Action
1.1	Chairman Dorian Crone (DC) welcomed the Members and Friends to The Lake District.	
1.2	Apologies were received from Members and Friends, as noted above	
2.0	Minutes of the Last Meeting - AGM 2017	
2.1	The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, held on Saturday 22nd September 2017 at Stanway House, were approved by the Members as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.	
3.0	Chairman's Report	
3.1	DC introduced the Scholars of 2018 to the Members: George Hodgson, Matt Loosley and Pamela Dziwulska.	
3.2	DC formally welcomed the Scholars of 2017, Kristian Foster, Lilian Tuohy-Main and Aoife Murphy, as Members of the Dance Scholarship Trust, and presented them with copies of the Constitution.	
3.3	DC introduced Kristian Foster as the Dance Scholar 2017.	
4.0	Treasurer's Report	
4.1	<p><u>Past Financial Year's Accounts</u></p> <p>In the absence of the Trust's Treasurer, Conor Meehan, Oliver Wilson presented the accounts to the assembled Members.</p>	
4.1.1	OW noted that the accounts presented a true and accurate representation of the financial activity and status of the Trust in the relevant time period. However, due to typing errors, a corrected set were to be recirculated following the meeting.	
4.1.2	OW presented a verbal summary of the accounts to the assembled Members.	
4.1.3	Approval of the accounts, subject to correction of highlighted typing errors, was proposed by Philip Hughes, and seconded by Nigel Hammett.	
4.2	<u>Report on Donations</u>	
4.2.1	Please refer to The Dance Scholarship Trust Report and Financial Statements for details.	
4.2.2	OW confirmed that, in light of the 30th anniversary year of the DST and following agreement at the last AGM, the Trust had offered bursaries for two Lethaby Scholars in 2018, as it did in the 25th year; to the value of £17,850.00.	
4.2.3	OW noted that, as noted in previous years, the Trust is working towards being able to commit to sponsoring the equivalent of two stipends every year. OW noted that it was likely that this would be possible within the next few years. As discussion was had regarding the current level of stipends, the level of achievable/sustainable contributions by the trust.	
4.2.4	OW confirmed that the Trust now has an agreed system of written request from the SPAB in November each year, via the Secretary, so that discussions can be entered into, and a stipend figure agreed prior to interviews taking place.	

4.2.5	Chloe Grander raised the query as to whether the Trust might want to stipulate that the money provided was for the sole use as bursary rather than associated administration costs of the SPAB; All agreed. The Committee would review and write appropriate wording in response to the next funding request from the SPAB.	The Committee
4.2.6	OW thanked those members who donated to the trust in the past year, in particular those who do so on a monthly basis, but noted that this represented a rather low percentage of past Scholars/ members. A discussion was had regarding the means by which to encourage donation from more members; possibly by letter/email to members. Andrew Townsend requested that the committee circulate details of how to make direct debit donations; OW would action.	The Treasurer
4.3	<u>Investments</u>	
4.3.1	Please refer to The Dance Scholarship Trust Report and Financial Statements for details.	
4.3.2	OW noted that, as agreed, the trust's shares in Rio Tintowere in the process of being sold, for a sum of C£17,000. It was agreed that the funds would be deposited in the Trust's COIF investments.	The Treasurer
4.3.3	Merial O'dowd enquired as to whether the Trust's investments were deemed 'Brexit proof' or whether any action was required. OW/CM would enquire with COIF and would report back/ take action accordingly.	The Treasurer
4.4	<u>AGM Costs – Figures Inserted Post-Meeting</u>	
	<i>The expenditure for the 2017 AGM weekend (Stanway) was approximately £2250 (2016 - £2320, 2015- £2,540 , 2014- £2,617, 2013 - £2400).</i> <i>Total income at the 2017 AGM was approximately £2,000, representing a loss of c.£250. This compares to a loss of c.£300 in 2016.</i>	
4.5	<u>Financial Account Assessor</u>	
4.5.1	DC noted that a new Financial Account Advisor (Accountant) had been appointed for the independent examination of the past year's accounts, the services of which the Committee had been satisfied with on the mostpart, however CM noted that the release of information had been behind schedule. The Committee proposed the re-appointment of Mr JW Duffy for the coming year and review if timescales for the release of information did not improve.	
4.5.2	The reappointment of the Financial Account Advisor was proposed by Dorian Crone, and seconded by Kristian Foster.	
5.0	Resignations from and Elections to the Committee	
5.1	Henry Sanders regrettably stood down from the committee (in absentia), Nigel Hammant announced with regret that he would be standing down from the Committee with immediate effect, having fulfilled his maximum allotted time as a Committee Member. The Committee, Members and Friends joined in a vote of thanks for both Nigel and Henry's hard work and enthusiasm during their time on the committee.	
5.2	Elections for new posts on the Committee were held. Kristian Foster was proposed by Oliver Wilson; Declan Cahil was proposed by Nick Warns. No objections were raised, and they were duly admitted to the Committee. They join existing elected Committee Members, Hannah Reynolds (Secretary), Conor Meehan (Treasurer) Mary Henn and Olier Wilson. It was agreed that Dorian Crone would be co-opted and remain as (Chairman) and that Nigel Hammett would be co-opted to continue in his role as a Trust's Archivist.	

6.0	Annual General Meeting 2019	
6.1	A discussion was undertaken in regard to possible venues for the 2019 AGM. Meriel O'Dowd suggested the possibility of coordination with a CCT event in Low Ham, Somerset; Dorian Crone suggested the possibility of dinner at West Dean College with visits in the local area. The Committee would investigate and consider both suggestions, along with others.	The Committee
6.2	HR noted the clash of the 'usual' end of September AGM weekend with the BLF weekend, which any members attend. All agreed that an alternative date in September was required. In coordination with item 6.1, the committee would review options and HR would advise the membership as soon as possible via a 'save the date' announcement.	The Secretary
7.0	Any Other Business	
7.1	<u>Interactive online map of Scholars' locations – including consents, details submitted</u> HR noted that a HS had been working on a Contact Information Form that was due to be sent to Members to obtain the information they consent to being included, and whether they had willingness/capacity to accommodate future Scholars when on the road. It was discussed and agreed that this should be extended to Fellows of the William Morris Craft Fellowship also. It was agreed that this task would be taken up by another member of the Committee in due course.	The Committee
7.2	<u>Fundraising Events</u> Declan Cahil informed members that the scholar of 2013, along with Conor Meehan, were organising a 400mile, three day Cycle ride from Ruskin's Grave in Coniston to Morris's Grave in Kelmscott as a fundraising event to mark the 30th anniversary of the DST. This was to take place over the Easter weekend of 2019 (April 19th- 21st). An invitation was extended to any other members who wished to participate, or alternative simply donate and/or support.	All Members
7.3	<u>Members are invited to raise any queries or issues</u>	
7.3.1	On behalf of all Scholars and DST members and in recognition of the Trust's 30th year, Nigel Hammat expressed great thanks to those who set up the Trust; Dorian Crone, Philip Hughes, Andrew Townsend, Shawn Kholucy and Nick Warnes.	
7.3.2	With sadness the Trust acknowledged the recent passing of Peter Carey, noting what a good friend he had been to many and a wonderful host to many scholars. The Committee would write to peters wife, Susan, to express our condolences.	The Secretary
7.3.3	Nick Warns brought to the attention of the Trust, the proposal of the SPAB to amend their constitution at the next AGM (2nd October 2019), resulting in the abolition of the Guardian's Committee; this committee was expressly established in order to safeguard the ethos of the Society. A discussion followed, It was agreed that objection to this principle and the importance of retaining this role should be submitted by the Trust. The committee would consider the best approach and phrasing to make this concern.	The Committee
7.3.4	Dorian Crone noted that three committee members, Conor Meehan, Mary Henn and Hannah Reynolds would reach the expiration of their tenure at the next AGM; and duly called for new committee members to come forward from the membership. It was noted that existing committee members Oliver Wilson and Krisitan Foster had kindly agreed to take on the roles of Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, at the next AGM.	All Members
7.5	The meeting was closed by Dorian Crone, who laid out the plans for the rest of the day's visit and evening dinner.	
8.0	Date and Location of Next Meeting	

8.1	The date and location of the next Annual General Meeting are to be confirmed.																									
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