

Association for Historical and Fine Art Photography

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Minutes of AHFAP committee meeting, Friday 20th June 2014 at the Wellcome Institute. Present: Tony Harris, Ben Gilbert, Dave Lambert, Colin Maitland, Paul Gardner, Ivor

Kerslake, Cassandra Parsons, Dani Tagen, Iain Duncan.

Apologies: Fulvio Rubesa, Steve Cole, Denise King, Nigel Allsop.

Matters arising from Minutes

No matters arising and minutes approved.

2013 Conference lessons learnt.

More seating capacity is needed.

It was suggested that a committee member use boards to advise speakers on timings to avoid overrun.

The issue of committee members having to pay for tickets was raised. The consensus is that speakers and committee members should not pay but it is imperative that they book places via the usual method to ensure their seats.

TH brought up the prospect of a mid morning break, perhaps paid for by a sponsor. CP thought that an afternoon break might be preferable and this would be discussed nearer the time.

It was mentioned that the price structure was overcomplicated. We should price the tickets in such a way as to encourage non-members to join.

We need to make sure payment for day 2 does not go via the AHFAP accounting system due to complications arising from last year.

A call for papers has gone out in the usual formats.

Cambo are still interested in being one of this year's sponsors but TH said that we would still need more.

Website.

We have moved to a new host chiefly due to payment complications. Our domain name has been renewed until 2019.

A security audit is underway to help avoid unwanted automated hacking. BG, SC and DT are working on document regarding a web portal. This would enable a member login system with 'members only' benefits and areas for special interest groups.

PACIG/SIG

The special interest group will run for one year followed by an assessment. Their first meeting will be held in the Autumn.

Membership.

SC reported 5 new members since our last meeting.

Open Culture event

This will be held at the Oval on 25/26 June Nigel Allsop has offered to support the stand.

30th Anniversary celebration

TH asked for ideas for next year's 30th Anniversary Conference. IK will explore costs for the British Museum as a venue. A special printed journal was suggested.

President and Officer changes

TH made a case for a Publicity/Sponsorship Officer post. CM seconded.

TH announced that Fulvio Rubera is standing down from the committee with immediate effect.

IK is relinquishing the job of Minutes Secretary at the end of the year. CM offers to take over.

All other officers are happy to stand for re-election.

AOB

CM raised a proposal that the archive box be placed in storage. TH and CM will look in the box and make a decision.

CP stated that she thinks there is more we can do in regard to social media. Chris Lee of the British Library wishes to join the committee.

Next meeting proposed for 2-3 weeks before the Conference.

Meeting closed at 17:15.