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BASS AGM

3pm 26 May 2016, Chancellor's Conference Centre, Manchester

Draft Notes from the meeting (prepared by LR)

Chair: Chris Cook

Present: Linda Ross, Wilf McSherry, Cheryl Hunt, Margaret Holloway, Helen McSherry, Arthur Hawes, Victor Pai, Carl Becker, Dove Jang, Janice Clark, Christina Puchalski, Cindy Schmidt, Alastair Wyllie, Kim Goode, Joy Cook, Bernadette Flanagan, Michael O'Sullivan, Gilly Burn, Russel Whiting, Chris Barber, Monir Ahmed, Jackie Thomas

Apologies: John Swinton, David Rousseau

Item		Action
1	<u>Minutes of last meeting</u> The minutes from the last AGM on 2 June 2015 were approved (proposed W McSherry, 2 nd Cheryl Hunt)	
2	There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last AGM.	
3	<u>Report of the Executive</u> There were no questions regarding the report which had been distributed in advance. The following points were noted: -Change of the publisher for JSS which has made membership subscriptions difficult to monitor. Cheryl Hunt gave a brief overview of other changes. -Michael O'Sullivan questioned why the amount secured in journal subscriptions appeared to indicate fewer BASS members. This is because the actual amount coming to BASS for each member is only £15. T&F collects the BASS membership and journal subscription in one fee. -A question was asked about the circulation list, but this is commercially sensitive information. -BASS is now a registered charity and benefits from being VAT exempt. The Report was received and accepted (proposed Arthur Hawes, 2 nd Carl Becker)	

4	The Annual Accounts for the period ending 31 st January 2016 were accepted (proposed Chris Barber, 2 nd Carl Becker).	
5	<p><u>Election of two members to the Executive</u></p> <p>The following two executive members are due to retire in rotation, and have indicated their willingness to stand for re-election to the executive:</p> <p>Professor Wilfred McSherry (nominated by Chris Cook and John Swinton).</p> <p>Dr Linda Ross (nominated by Cheryl Hunt and David Rousseau). There were no objections to these re-elections.</p> <p>Resignations:</p> <p>Arthur Hawes (Vice Chair) and Margaret Holloway (co-opted member and Conference Chair) resigned. BASS would like to formally thank them for all their hard work and commitment to the organisation.</p>	
6	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>There were no other items.</p>	