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PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF HELLENIC STUDIES 2014–2015

The Annual General Meeting of the Society was held at 4.00pm on Saturday 13th June 2015 in the Senate Room, Senate House, Malet Street, London. The President, Professor Robert Fowler, was in the chair and welcomed members.

Professor Fowler introduced the Honorary Secretary (Dr Margaret Mountford) and the Executive Secretary (Ms Richella Doyle). He noted the unfortunate absence of the Honorary Treasurer (Dr David Thomas) due to family illness; he warmly thanked Dr Thomas for his six years of dedicated service.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed. Professor Fowler discussed the activities of the Council and Committees during the past year. The Society's programme of events had included the usual array of edifying and successful meetings, in particular the recent lecture by Dr Ian Jenkins (Senior Curator at the British Museum) on 'The grandeur that was Paris and the glory that was London'. He highlighted the forthcoming SPHS regional conference, 'Technologies of daily life in ancient Greece' to be hosted by Swansea University, a crucial step in the Society's strategy to develop Hellenic Studies outside of London. He encouraged members from university departments outside of London to get in touch for future projects. Professor Fowler gave particular thanks to Mr Christian Levett whose generous donation had enabled the Hellenic and Roman societies to organize a brilliant programme for a 'Greek and Roman Armour Day' at the end of July.

In regard to publications, Professor Fowler expressed the Society's thanks to Dr Zosia Archibald for the revised format of *Archaeological Reports*. He reported that Dr Roger Brock and Dr Christy Constantakopoulou would be demitting office in February 2016. Council had appointed Professor Douglas Cairns and Dr Fiona Hobden as their respective successors. Professor Fowler also reported that Dr Maria Stamatopoulou had been appointed as Editor of 'Archaeology in Greece'. He noted the debt of gratitude the Society owed to the outgoing editors for their maintenance of the highest standards. He warmly thanked them for their considerable efforts.

In regard to the re-negotiation of the Memorandum of Understanding with the University of London, Professor Fowler expressed his optimism regarding recent discussions. The proposal to agree a 25-year arrangement had been accepted. It would involve an increased financial commitment; however, it was hoped such stability would allow the societies to refocus their efforts on fundraising. Professor Fowler assured members that the new Memorandum would be put forward for consideration in an EGM (early December 2015).

Dr Margaret Mountford (Honorary Secretary) read a prepared statement on the 2014 accounts written by Dr Thomas. In 2014 the Society had net incoming resources (prior to gains on investment assets) of £64,585 as compared to £155,042 in 2013, a fall of £90,457. As usual, part of the £64,585 surplus is accounted for by capitalized acquisitions of books and periodicals for the library. Deducting net additions to tangible assets, adjusting for financial accounts presentation of library donations and adding back depreciation, we come to a surplus of £890, which more closely corresponds to the underlying cash position on the Society's ordinary activities. The equivalent figure for 2013 was a surplus of £95,127, giving a fall in surplus between 2013 and 2014 of £94,237. The principal cause of this fall in surplus is that in 2013 the Society received a legacy of £59,383, there being no similar event in 2014.

Other negative factors include a £12,646 fall in digital archive income and a £7,488 fall in income from grants from the A.G. Leventis Foundation, the result of a misunderstanding arising from a change in the timing of applications for grants; the Society's grants have been reinstated

in 2015. Lastly, there was a £6,804 rise in the Society's portion (after adjustment) of the library's expenditure on computers, software and equipment, due to the purchase of a scanner and lockers for users of the library. Gains of £36,283 were made on the Society's investment portfolio, overall a somewhat disappointing performance. At the end of 2014 investments stood at £1,381,400 (2013: £1,291,837). The Society's investments continue to give adequate financial reserves for the medium term, even if deficits turn out to be unavoidable in the short term.

Looking forward, it remains difficult, despite the satisfactory 2014 result, to give a positive assessment of the Society's medium-term position. This is because it depends crucially on the level of contribution which the University of London requires from the Society following the expiry of the current Memorandum of Understanding in July 2015.

Dr Margaret Mountford opened the floor to questions. None were forthcoming. A resolution to receive the 2014 accounts was proposed by Mr George Lemos, seconded by Dr Tracey Rihll and Dr Lisa Hau. The accounts were adopted. Professor Robert Fowler once again thanked Dr Thomas.

Subscriptions: the Council of the Society recommended to the AGM that membership rates for 2016 remain the same. The resolution was proposed by Professor Hans van Wees, seconded by Professor Douglas Cairns. Approved.

Dr Margaret Mountford presented the proposed changes to the Rules, which had been circulated to members in advance of the meeting (detailed below) along with the first edition of *ARGO*. The meeting welcomed the new publication.

Resolution to change the Rules

That Rule 6 be deleted and the following new Rule 6 substituted in its place:

'Ordinary Members and Honorary Members shall be entitled to use the Library and borrow books and to receive a copy of the Journal and, if any other periodical or periodicals is or are published by the Society in any given calendar year, the issue or issues of one such other periodical of their choice ("the Chosen Periodical"), such choice to be communicated to the Society in such manner as Council may determine, provided that if only one other periodical is published, that shall be deemed to be the Chosen Periodical and that *Archaeological Reports* (if published) shall be deemed to be the Chosen Periodical of any Member who fails so to communicate a choice. Council may (but shall not be obliged to) make arrangements for any Ordinary Member or Honorary Member who wishes to receive the issue or issues of more than one such other periodical to do so against payment of such amount(s) as Council may from time to time determine.'

In Rule 10 (which deals with persons becoming members after 1 September in any year): Delete 'and, if published, the *Archaeological Reports*' and substitute 'and a copy of the Chosen Periodical, if any', and, in the final line, delete 'Reports' and substitute 'Chosen Periodical, if any'.

In Rule 13 (which sets out the rights of Student Associates):

Delete 'and (if published) the Archaeological Reports' and substitute 'and the Chosen Periodical, if any'.

Resolution under Rules 5 and 9 to amend subscription rates

'Existing members of the Anglo-Hellenic League who subscribed to the Anglo-Hellenic Review in 2013 or 2014 and who are not Members or Student Associates of the Society in 2015 and who were not Members or Student Associates of the Society in 2014 shall be entitled to a one-third discount on the Annual Subscription for the first year of their subscription to the Society, provided that they so subscribe on or before 31 December 2016.'

The changes to Rules 6, 10 and 13 were proposed by Professor Hans van Wees and seconded by Dr Lisa Hau. Adopted. The changes to Rules 5 and 9 were proposed by Dr Tracey Rihll and seconded by Professor Malcolm Schofield. Adopted.

The following nominations were proposed:

Dr David Thomas for election as Vice President. Proposed by Professor Fowler, seconded by Mr George Lemos. Elected.

Professor Pat Easterling, Mr Brian Gilmore, Mr George Lemos, Dr Pantelis Michelakis, Professor Robin Osborne, Professor Christopher Rowe, Professor Ken Saunders, Professor Malcolm Schofield and Professor Brian Sparkes for re-election as Vice Presidents. Proposed by Professor Fowler and unanimously approved. Elected.

Mr Peter Lennon (Corporate Tax Partner, Pricewaterhouse Coopers) for election as Honorary Treasurer. Proposed by Dr Margaret Mountford, seconded by Dr Lisa Hau. Elected.

Professor Fowler proposed for election as Members of Council (to serve 2015–2018), seconded by Professor Douglas Cairns: Dr Evelien Bracke (Swansea University); Dr Elena Giusti (University of Glasgow); Dr Jan Haywood (University of Leicester); Dr Duncan McCombie (Cheltenham College); Dr Christos Nifadopoulos (Goldman Sachs International); Dr Nicholas Wiater (University of St Andrews). Elected.

Professor Fowler proposed the election of Dr Evelien Bracke as Membership Officer, seconded by Dr Tracey Rihll. Unanimously approved.

MHA MacIntyre Hudson, of 31 St George's Place, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1XD, were reelected as Auditors.

Professor Malcolm Schofield thanked the President for all his efforts in the negotiation of a new Memorandum of Understanding with the University of London and wished him every success with carrying forth his agenda. The proceedings were drawn to a close and members retired for a glass of wine.

SOCIETY EVENTS 2014–2015

Friday 19th September 2014: 'A celebration of Professor Chris Carey (University College London)'

Friday 26th to Saturday 27th September 2014: 'How to do things with history', honorary conference for Professor Paul Cartledge (University of Cambridge)

Thursday 13th November 2014: 'The horror and the pity: *phrike* as a tragic emotion', Professor Douglas Cairns (University of Edinburgh)

Tuesday 17th March 2015: 'Greek and Roman curses', a panel discussion in association with the Roman Society: 'Greek inscribed curses and the social historian', Professor Esther Eidinow (University of Nottingham); 'A plague on all their horses: spells and curses at the races', Dr Margaret Mountford (Honorary Secretary, SPHS); 'Messages to the goddess revealed: private thoughts of ordinary people', Stephen Clews (Roman Baths, Bath)

Monday 11th May 2015: 'The grandeur that was Paris and the glory that was London', Dr Ian Jenkins (The British Museum)

Saturday 13th June 2015: 'Horse-, camel-, and donkey-riding for the king: Persian equestrianism in Greek eyes', Professor Margaret Miller (University of Sydney)

Thursday 25th June 2015: 'Defining beauty in ancient Greek art' (The British Museum, private morning visit)

Thursday 2nd to Friday 3rd July 2015: 'Technologies of Daily Life in Ancient Greece' (SPHS regional conference held at Swansea University)

Monday 20th July 2015: 'Greek and Roman Armour Day' in association with the Roman Society, the Institute of Classical Studies and Mr Christian Levett (*Minerva* magazine): 'Marathon to Chaironeia: changes in hoplite armour', Professor Peter Krentz (Davidson College NC); 'Linen body armour: reconstruction and tests', Professor Gregory Aldrete (University of Wisconsin Green Bay); 'The South Italic cuirass from the sixth to third centuries BC', Dr Mike Burns (University of Leeds); 'The impenetrable wall: Roman body armour assessed', Dr Mike Bishop (*Journal of Roman Military Equipment*); "'Also he armed him with a coat of mail": the armour in Roman Judaea', Dr Guy Stiebel (Tel-Aviv University); 'The rise and development of segmented helmets in the later Roman to early Byzantine army', Dr Christian Miks (Römisch-Germanisches Zentralmuseum Mainz)