

## Association for Literary and Linguistic Computing Committee

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Committee Meeting, July 1995

## Extraordinary Committee Meeting of the Association for Literary and Linguistic Computing held at the University of California Santa Barbara 13th July 1995 at 18.50 hours

Present: Susan Hockey (Chair), Harold Short (Treasurer), David Holmes (Secretary), Paul Fortier, Nancy Ide, Lisa Lena Opas, Michael Sperberg-McQueen, Gordon Dixon (Editor of Literary and Linguistic Computing).

**Note**: Since only 4 members of the Committee were present, the meeting was not quorate. If you wish to register dissent from any of the decisions taken, please inform the Secretary forthwith.

**1.** It was noted that, under Article 23 of the Constitution, this meeting was empowered to amend the Constitution.

**2.** 'Three proposals to amend the Constitution were put forward:

(i) That Article 11 should read ' ... The number of elected members of the Committee shall be nine. Members of the Committee shall be Individual Members of the Association'.

(ii) That Article 12 should read in full: 'Elected Members of this Committee shall normally serve for three years with one-third of their number retiring each year; retiring members shall be eligible for immediate re-election. In the event of the resignation of any elected Member of the Committee, save m the third year of his or her tenure, the resulting vacancy shall be filled by electing one additional member to complete the term of the resigning member'.

(iii) That Article 13 should read ' Proposals must be endorsed by two further Individual Members of the Association and carry a statement of the nominee's willingness to serve.' A motion to accept these amendments was proposed by Harold Short, seconded by Lisa Lena Opas, and carried nem con.

**<sup>3.</sup>** Michael Sperberg-McQueen reported that the ACH had agreed in principle to the idea of an annual award lecture and were committing themselves to a search for funding in order to establish an endowment.

**4.** Gordon Dixon reported that Fiona Tweedie had agreed to become Book Reviews Editor.

**5.** Paul Fortier agreed to serve on the Committee for only a two-year term in order to expedite the move towards the operation of the new Constitution detailed in (2) above. The meeting closed at 19.05 hours.



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