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Colin Foster, Loughborough University **Publications Officer** Rachel Marks, University of Brighton **Day Conference Organisers** Geoff Wake, University of Nottingham Marie Joubert, University of Swansea **Online Communications Coordinator** Pablo Mayorga, University of Roehampton

Annual General Meeting Minutes

14th November, Online

- 1. Apologies for absence: None
- 2. Minutes of last meeting: held on the 9th November 2019 were agreed as an accurate record
- 3. Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.
- 4. Executive Committee Reports
- I. Chair's Report: Jeremy Hodgen summarised his report that had been circulated in advance. Two issues were discussed with the membership at the Open Forum in March 2020. The first was the plan to locate day conferences in all four nations of the UK and the second the proposal to continue with international collaborative day conferences on an infrequent basis. There was a clear steer in support of both items. The impact of pandemic on BSRLM has been dramatic. The summer conference was cancelled but we ran a successful New Researchers Day in July with strong attendance. Jeremy thanked Keith Jones for his work as editor of Research in Mathematics Education and welcomed Jenni Ingram as a new editor. Two articles were awarded the Janet Duffin award this year. There will be presentations to the winners Alison Barnes and Diana Zakaryan and Miguel Ribeiro next year. Jeremy thanked Marie Joubert and Geoff wake for agreeing to stay on as co-opted members to support the new Day Conference Organisers.
- II. **Treasurer's Report:** Nancy Barclay summarised her report that had been circulated in advance. There has been overall stability in our account balance compared to declining funds last year. This is in part due to the pandemic which has meant less traffic into and out of the accounts as we removed conference fees for online conferences and reduced travel costs. However, the situation will become more challenging in the future due to future website costs and other outstanding costs and we will need to consider how we address this.

The accounts were accepted by the meeting.

- III. Membership Coordinator's report: Helen Thouless summarised her report that had been circulated in advance. Despite the cancellation of the summer conference, the number of full members remains stable. Student and retired membership has increased, possibly as a result of the removal of conference fees for online conferences.
- IV. Publications Officer's report: Rachel Marks summarised her report that had been circulated in advance. Despite the pandemic, the number of proceedings has remained healthy. We will be using APA 7 for future proceedings.
- V. **Online communications Coordinator's report:** Pablo Mayorga summarised his report that had been circulated in advance. Our priority this year has been the website. The current platform is not membership friendly. We have been developing a new website in phases and will soon be in a position to migrate data and initiation the launch.
- VI. Outreach Coordinator's report: Colin Foster summarised his report that had been circulated in advance. A well-attended BERA practitioner event took place in December 2019. This year's event has been postponed to December 2021. The annual BERA conference was cancelled this year, the next is planned for 2021 at Aston University, Birmingham. Colin is currently exploring organising a BERA Sig event to be run jointly with the Research Methodology in Education Sig.
- VII. Day Conference Organisers' report: Geoff Wake and Marie Joubert summarised their report that had been circulated in advance. The last face to face day conference was at the University of Cambridge in March 2020. The planned summer conference was cancelled but a New Researchers Day took place in July. Looking forward, the 2021 Spring conference will be online and possibly also the summer conference.
 - 5. RME Editors report: Alf Coles thanked Keith Jones and Elizabeth Lake on behalf of the journal for their work on RME. He welcomed Jenni Ingram and Kyla Smith to the editorial team. The journal continues to enjoy a good international reputation. There is an overall trend in rising submissions and citations. Alf thanked reviewers for their timely and insightful reviews and encouraged members to continue drawing on the important work in RME in their writing. There is an open call for reviewing recently-published books and the position of Book Review Editor is currently vacant. The editors welcome expressions of interest.

6. Election to Executive Committee

The following members were dully nominated, seconded and elected unopposed to the following positions and periods of office:

Nicola Bretscher –Secretary (January 1 2021 to April 30 2024) Fay Baldry –Membership Coordinator (January 1 2021 to April 30 2024) Rachel Wallis – Day Conference Organiser (January 1 2021 to April 30 2024) Marc North – Day Conference Organiser (January 1 2021 to April 30 2024)

7. AOB

Jeremy thanked those present and closed the meeting.