

# Association of Young Irish Archaeologists

## Minutes for the Annual General Meeting 2018

- The AGM convened at 15.25 on Saturday, 21 April 2018, during the Annual Conference (20-22 April).
- The AGM was led by AYIA Chair Ashley McCall
- Attendees: 17
  - Ashley McCall, Chelsea Ryan, Frank ‘Jay’ Hall, Daisy Spencer, Marcus Byrne, Daniel Curley, James McKeon, Yuki Kato, Eugene Anderson, Allison Galbari, Patricia Kenny, Katherine McCormack, Mary Cain, Courtney Mundt, Deanna Lee, Sam Hughes, Duncan Berryman
- AYIA Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) Represented: National University of Ireland, Galway (NUIG), University College Dublin (UCD), University College Cork (UCC), Queen’s University Belfast (QUB) & Institute of Technology, Sligo (ITS).
- HEIs Missing: Trinity College Dublin (TCD)

<b>0</b>	AGM minutes recorded by CR.
<b>1</b>	<b>Quorum</b> reached with 17 members (only 4 members needed).
<b>2</b>	No <b>apologies</b> . The only HEI missing representation was TCD.
<b>3</b>	<b>Adoption of the agenda</b> . The agenda was adopted (FH proposed; CR seconded).
<b>4</b>	<b>Minutes of the last AGM</b> . There were no minutes to approve.
<b>5</b>	<b>Chair’s Report</b> . AM stated how an AGM hasn’t taken place in several years. She also thanked the Conference Organisers (FH & CR) and highlighted that the AYIA needs members to join the National Committee.
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Financial Report</b>. A financial report did not take place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A conference bank account was opened by the Conference Organisers.</li> <li>• The AYIA received sponsorship from: Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), Unite Archaeology, the Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland (IAI), MW Books, NUIG Archaeology Society, Discovery Programme and the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland (RSAI).</li> </ul> <p><b>Total Income:</b> € 1,385.00 (sponsorship &amp; fundraising)  <b>Total Expenditures:</b> € 781.12 (catering, printing, conference materials)  <b>Balance:</b> € <b>603.88</b></p>

7	<p><b>Who qualifies as a member of the AYIA?</b> Please see Constitution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 1(ii): 2 Classes of membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Automatic members: students who are members of their HEIs Archaeology Society</li> <li>○ Members who have applied by submitting their name and address to the National Committee</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Election of committee.</b> Elections did not take place. Please see Constitution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 5: National Committee of the AYIA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 3 multi-annual positions to be elected for three-year terms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chairperson, Assistant (Social Media Coordinator), IAI Representative</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ 5 ordinary members: representatives from the AYIA HEIs</li> <li>○ Section 4(iv): Provision may be made from time to time for representation of other types of member not already provided for in this constitution.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• AM stated that, when available, it is preferred that the National Committee be composed of students who are members of their HEI archaeology society</li> <li>• Issues Raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Representation of recent graduates was questioned</li> <li>○ Should there be regional representation?</li> <li>○ How long does one stay a ‘junior archaeologist’ (i.e. a member of the AYIA) post-graduation or after gaining relevant employment?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• FH proposed that the National Committee meet in person, at least bi-annually.</li> <li>• CR and FH would like to propose that the role of Conference Organiser be made a multi-annual position, with the ordinary member of the hosting HEI acting as Co-Organiser.</li> <li>• <b>Currently Held Positions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chairperson/Assistant – AM (1 year remaining)</li> <li>○ NUIG Representative – FH, CR</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Open Positions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Assistant – KM expressed interest</li> <li>○ IAI Representative – CR would like to propose that this position be automatically held by the current IAI Student Representative.</li> <li>○ UCD Representative – PK expressed interest</li> <li>○ UCC Representative</li> <li>○ QUB Representative</li> <li>○ ITS Representative</li> <li>○ TCD Representative</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
8	<p><b>The Constitution.</b> Updates were suggested for the Constitution, it was decided that it will be sent out to all present at the AGM along with the AGM minutes.</p>