

# Plenary Business Meeting

Friday 18 January 2019, 10.30 – 12.00



Churchill Room, Europe House,  
32 Smith Square, London SW1P 3EU

## Hon Secretary's report

This report covers the seven months since the AGM of 29 June 2018. I have dealt with communication through the [ucml@bbk.ac.uk](mailto:ucml@bbk.ac.uk) mailbox, and the various follow-ups to the June Plenary & AGM. I have corresponded with colleagues about various admin matters, organised meetings etc.

### A Exec Elections etc

One election of a new Exec member has taken place since the AGM: our new rep for Middle Eastern Studies is Prof El Mustapha Lahlali, of Leeds University (<https://kcl-digi-prod-wa-wordpress-02.azurewebsites.net/ucml/2018/07/24/ucml-exec-new-representative-for-middle-eastern-studies/>)

Several changes in the Exec line-up are due in 2019 and 2020. These are planned as follows (Officers coloured blue).

<b>surname</b>	<b>first</b>	<b>role</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Bowskill	Sarah	Northern Ireland	changeover	
Campbell	Caroline	Institution-wide Language Teaching		changeover
De Medeiros	Ana	VC Communications		changeover
Drugan	Jo	Translation & Interpreting	changeover	
Long	Imogen	French		changeover
MacDiarmid	Carole	English Language Teaching	changeover	
Pieri	Giuliana	Italian	changeover	
Polisca	Elena	VC Education	changeover	
Preece	Julian	VC Research	changeover	
Segal	Naomi	Hon Secretary		changeover

For the six roles changing in 2019 (NI, T&I, ELT, Italian, VC Education & VC Research), I will put out the Call for nominations after the January Plenary, with a closing date of one month later. If we get more than one nomination we'll have an election, closing a further month later. The new reps will start on 31 July 2019. For the four changing over in 2020 I will do the same a year later.

Three Exec members have new email addresses:

- Derek Hird [d.hird@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:d.hird@lancaster.ac.uk)
- Elena Polisca [e.polisca@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:e.polisca@lancaster.ac.uk)
- Claire St John Eve [claire.stjohneve@gmail.com](mailto:claire.stjohneve@gmail.com)

## **B Other activities**

### **The Language Alliance**

On behalf of UCML I attended a meeting of the Language Alliance, held on 23 July at the University of Westminster. Activities by several ML projects, at various educational levels, were presented.

Particularly impressive were the Language Magician (<https://www.thelanguagemagician.net/>), Real Life (<http://reallifelanguage.com/>), teacher Jane Driver of Queen Katherine Academy in Peterborough (<http://www.qka.education/>), who do amazing work with the East Anglia Roma network, and Hilary Footitt's AHRC-funded project with interpreters in conflict zones: *Listening Zones*.

On 28 August I reported on this meeting to Neil Kenny of the British Academy, who runs the Language Advisory Group [LAG].

### **British Academy Language Advisory Group**

On behalf of UCML I will be attending a meeting of the BA LAG on Tuesday 26 February.

## **C Upcoming meetings**

Spring Steering Group	22 March 2019	by slack
Spring Exec	Fri 26 April 2019	tbc
Summer Plenary & AGM	Fri 5 July 2019	tbc
Autumn Steering Group	early Oct 2019	by slack
Autumn Exec	early Nov 2019	tbc
Winter Plenary & Business Mtg	mid-Jan 2020	tbc

Naomi Segal, 4 January 2019