# ORAL HISTORY SOCIETY

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

TO BE HELD AT WHITELANDS COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF ROEHAMPTON SATURDAY 9 JULY 2015 AT 1.00PM

#### AGENDA:

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the last AGM (as published in **Oral History** vol.44 no.1 p.32)
- 3. Matters arising
- 4. Chairman's report, 2015-2016 (Graham Smith): online at www.ohs.org.uk/about/documents/
- 5. Treasurer's report: presentation of Annual Accounts (Nick Chalmers): online at www.ohs.org.uk/about/documents/
- 6. Regional Network report (Juliana Vandegrift)
- 7. Journal report (Joanna Bornat)
- 8. Publicity report (Anne Gulland)
- 9. Higher Education report (Jenny Harding)
- 10. Website report (Michelle Winslow)
- 11. Training report (Rob Perks)
- 11. Diversity and inclusion report (Sarah Lowry)
- 12. Special Interest Group report (SIG chairs)
- 12. Election of officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
- 13. Election of committee members
- 14. Any other business

### Record of attendance at committee meetings, 2015-2016 (four committee meetings):

	18 Sept	11 Dec	11 March	10 June	Total out of poss 4
Graham Smith (Chair)	Х	Х	Х		3
Beth Thomas (Vice-chair)		Х			1
Rob Perks (Secretary)	Х	Х	Х	Х	4
Nick Chalmers (Treasurer)	Х	Х	Х	Х	4
Angela Bartie	Х	Х			2
Joanna Bornat	Х	Х			2
Padmini Broomfield	Х	Х	Х		3
Cynthia Brown	Х	Х	Х		3
Verusca Calabria	Х	Х	Х		3
Fiona Cosson	Х	Х		Х	3
Alan Dein		Х			1
Craig Fees	Х		Х	Х	3
Anne Gulland	Х		Х	Х	3

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Jenny Harding	Х	Х	Х		3
Sarah Lowry		Х	Х	Х	3
Kate Melvin	Х	Х	Х	Х	4
Amy Murphy	n/a	n/a	X	Х	2
Mary Stewart	X	Х	Х	Х	4
Shelley Trower	X				1
Juliana Vandegrift	Х	Х	X		3
Rob Wilkinson	Х	X	Χ		3
Michelle Winslow	Х		Х	Х	3
Hilary Young	X		X		2

## Committee resignations during the year:

None.

## Committee co-options during the year:

Amy Murphy was co-opted to replace Shelley Trower during her maternity leave and assist with the annual conference. She attended her first meeting in March 2016.

Under standing rules the following members leave the committee due to nonattendance at any committee meetings during the year:

None.

Under the new OHS constitution a Nominations Sub-Committee now reviews incoming committee nominations and reports to the trustees at their June committee meeting. The committee now recommends the following for election to the committee:

### 1. Amy Murphy (Roehampton University):

Amy is the Research Fellow on the 'Memories of Fiction' project at Roehampton University and has been deputising for Shelley Trower's role on the OHS committee during her maternity absence, with special responsibility for liaison between the OHS and Roehampton for the annual conference. Her interest in oral history began during her MLitt degree at University of Glasgow and later during her PhD, 'Reading the Lives between the Lines: Lesbian Oral History and Lesbian Literature in Post-War Britain' (awarded 2013). Amy was also Project Manager for the Bethnal Green Memorial Project at the University of East London (2013-14). She brings expertise in gender and sexuality, particularly in lesbian and queer history. She has a solid background in equality and diversity issues, having previously worked in the equalities sector. She is passionate about inclusion in academia, and in LGBT and gender equality in particular. Since joining the committee as a co-opted member she has become involved in the creation of new

monitoring processes for the OHS, which aim to build a picture of the Society and its membership, identifying under-represented areas.

## 2. Julian Simpson (Manchester University):

Since 2008 he has conducted approximately 120 interviews with participants across two projects, one looking at the role of South Asian GPs in the development of British general practice, the other on the recent history of Guy's and St Thomas' hospitals: both projects are to be published as books (one with Manchester University Press, the other with Bloomsbury). He has published in a wide range of scholarly journals, including Oral History and The Oral History Review (forthcoming, 2017), and has taught oral history and the ethics of research at the University of Manchester since 2013, jointly responsible for the initial ethical review of student projects at the Centre for the History of Science, Technology and Medicine. He regularly gives talks about his work in non-academic settings, write blogs and reflect on the policy implications of my work. The Royal College of GPs has agreed to host an exhibition on South Asian GPs, using excerpts from interviews, photographs and other documents. He has been developing a major Heritage Lottery Fund bid at Manchester with Stephanie Snow, involving working in partnership with a range of organisations to gather hundreds of oral history interviews with witnesses to the development of the National Health Service in order to mark its 70th anniversary in 2018 and reflect on its future. Julian has a wide range of relevant skills and experience, having trained initially as a journalist and also worked in communications and policy in the voluntary sector. He has in-depth knowledge of the media. He raised funds in a previous role as an event manager for an African community organisation, and has a commitment to working with marginalised groups and to promoting diversity.