

# **Minutes of the 11th Ordinary General Meeting of the European Society for Environmental History**

Online via zoom, 9 July 2021

Chair: Wilko Graf von Hardenberg

## **Attendants**

94 members attended the OGM. The constitutional quorum of 10 per cent of paying members, which equates to 31, is thus met.

## **Call**

The date and venue of the OGM were regularly communicated to all members by email and via the ESEH social media in advance as required by the Society's constitution.

## **Agenda**

1. Opening of the meeting by the President
2. Presentation of Minutes of the 10th Ordinary General Meeting, Tallinn, 22 August 2019
3. President's report on the development of ESEH
4. Report by the Chair of the Council of Regional Representatives
5. Treasurer's report on budget 2019–2021
  - a. Vote on membership fees
6. Report by the Financial Control Committee
  - a. Discharge of the outgoing Board Members and Regional Representatives
7. Report by the Nomination Committee
  - a. Presentation of the candidates
  - b. Voting instructions for online ballot
8. Announcement of the winners of the ESEH awards
  - a. Tallinn Prize (dissertation)
  - b. St. Andrews Prize (article)
  - c. Turku Prize (book)
9. Announcement of upcoming ESEH conferences
  - a. Bristol 2022
  - b. Venue 2023

### **1. Opening of the meeting by the President**

The meeting was duly and formally opened by the outgoing President, Marco Armiero, at 11:00 CEST.

### **2. Presentation of Minutes of the 10th Ordinary General Meeting, Tallinn, 22 August 2019**

The outgoing President presented the minutes of the 2019 OGM, available for perusal on the ESEH website. The minutes have been approved by the OGM.

### **3. President's report on the development of ESEH**

The President read his report on the Society's development, which will be included in the ESEH 2019-2021 Biennial Report.

### **4. Report by the Chair of the Council of Regional Representatives**

The Chair of the Council of Regional Representatives, Martin Knoll, presented his report on the activities of the RRs, which will be included in the ESEH 2019-2021 Biennial Report.

### **5. Treasurer's report on budget 2019–2021**

The outgoing Treasurer, Ulrich Koppitz, read his report on the 2019-2021 budget, which will be included in detail in the ESEH 2019-2021 Biennial Report.

#### **a. Vote on membership fees**

The Treasurer proposed maintaining the current membership fees.

Results of voting:

Against: 0

In favor: 94 out of 94

The OGM thus approved the current membership fees.

### **6. Report by the Financial Control Committee**

The Financial Control Committee communicated that the Committee had found all the Treasurer's accounts to be in order for the whole 2019-2021 period.

#### **a. Discharge of the outgoing Board Members and Regional Representatives**

The FCC asks the assembly to dismiss the Treasurer and the rest of the outgoing Board and Regional Representatives with a vote of confidence. No votes were called against this resolution. The 2019-2021 ESEH Board was duly discharged.

### **7. Report by the Nomination Committee**

The Nomination Committee presented the candidates for election and proceeded to open the voting process. The Committee stressed that it was acted considering the diversity principle.

#### **a. Presentation of the candidates**

Candidates made three-minutes presentations. Formal statements and CVs are available at the ESEH website.

#### **b. Voting instructions for online ballot**

The chair of the Nomination Committee, David Moon, and an outgoing Vice-President, Wilko Graf von Hardenberg, gave the instructions for online voting.

## **8. Announcement of the winners of the ESEH awards**

### a. Tallinn Prize (dissertation)

A representative of the Tallinn Prize Committee, Simone Schleper, presented the Committee, its activities and announced the winner.

### b. St. Andrews Prize (article)

A representative of the St. Andrew Prize Committee, Santiago Gorostiza, presented the Committee, its activities and announced the winner.

### c. Turku Prize (book)

The chair of the Turku Prize Committee, Christof Mauch, presented the Committee, its activities and announced the winner.

## **9. Announcement of upcoming ESEH conferences**

### a. Bristol 2022

Members of the local and conference committees, Andy Flack and Sandra Swart, announced the venue for the 2022 conference.

### b. Venue 2023

The chair of the Site Selection Committee Ulrike Plath presented a report on the activities of the Committee. The chair of the local conference committee Christian Rohr presented the 2023 venue.