

CSEAR Executive Council Meeting

Tuesday June 22 2021

13:00-15:00 UK Time

Topic: 2nd Meeting of 2021

Location of Meeting: Via Teams

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Ian Thomson, John Ferguson, Robin Roberts, Giovanna Michelin, Gunnar Rimmel, Charles Cho, Colin Dey, Matias Laine, Michelle Rodrigue, Eija Vinnari, Massimo Contrafatto, Shona Russell, Lori Leigh Davis

Apologies for Absence: Ericka Costa, Helen Tregidga, Stephanie Perkiss

Agenda Items for Discussion

- 1) Minutes of Previous Meeting (For Approval) - Yes, approved.
- 2) CSEAR Sponsorship – ASCEAR (Professor Carol Tilt has been invoiced and in communications with the University of St Andrews about the payment of the invoice. It is expected the donation will be made by the first week of July).
- 3) Council Elections/IA Elections – Postponed elections for this year.
- 4) CSEAR Partnerships
 - a. Charles – Opportunity for International Transatlantic Grant – looking for cooperation with a deadline due in mid-July. Support from the Executive Council is noted.
To Do: Charles to send Co-Directors request for a signed letter of support.
- 5) Website Prototype Announced – 10 pages currently structured.
 - **To Do:** Request to all council members to volunteer and provide comments and recommendations, particularly in the events section.
 - **Notes:**
 - Extra attention to including up-to-date information from SEAJ will be required.
 - There will be a special area dedicated section to Rob Gray.
- 6) CSEAR Conferences Updates {online}
 - a. CSEAR France was held in May. The attendance is believed to be lower than expected.
 - b. UK St Andrews (August 2020>2021)
 - i. Emerging Scholars Colloquium Updates: (2021)
 - 36 scholars have been accepted. There is an opportunity to increase participation in S.E. Asia.
 - Online format will remain the same and will be held over 3 half days 23,24 and 25 of August
 - Offered on Zoom
 - Rob Gray Award committee will be announced soon.
 - There are academics included from Australia to accommodate time frame.

CSEAR Conferences Cont. No other Updates on the other CSEAR conferences including:

- CSEAR NA (July 2020>2021)
- Italy (September 2020>2021) Webinar
- Portugal (November 2020>2021)
- Africa (November 2020>2021)
- Australasia (December 2020>2021)
- France (2021)
- Spain (2021)

7) Membership

Update of numbers to date: Today there are 167 paid memberships plus 27 paid members who paid Sept-Dec 2020.

Membership Structure (Payment options 1, 3 and 5 year ???)

Rolling calendar to start on September 2021.

Organizing consistent events is hoped to attract and confirm ongoing and long-term commitment of members.

8) CSEAR online events 2020-2021 Updates – The online events have seen attendance of 20-40 people. The events have been able to connect people throughout CSEAR during these difficult times.

- a) PhD Webinar – Completed now, well attended and positive feedback given.
- b) Reading Group – Matt Sorolla continues to organise and is also offering a French reading group for French speakers.
- c) Webinar – Next Webinar will be on July 4th and will return in September after the Summer holidays. The scheduling of the activities will be ongoing into 2022.

Special Note: A great appreciation to the organisers of these events and especially to Professor Jan Bebbington for taking the time for the three student-focused webinars this year.

9) Ideas and Recommendations for Next Year: It is hoped the online activities will be a fixture for CSEAR going forward in addition to the in-person events. Recognition to limitations in travel and costs is noted. All the events offer the opportunity for world-wide engagement and encourages diversity and inclusion. Perhaps, the events can be planned specifically with the special SEAJ articles. **Items Relating to SEAJ**

Welcome to Colin Dey as the next joint-Editor. Colin officially starts next January. Special thank you to Matias for calls for the next editor. Also, things are in motion for other review editors. In other notes, SEAJ now has a LinkedIn account. We are grateful for the expert help of Kylie Kingston with the social media efforts for SEAJ.

To Do: All CSEAR members to link in and take part in the conversations.

Looking forward to more submissions this year and in particular within the scope of the journal. Overall, the journal is going well. The launch of Lee Moerman's Special Issue is currently advertised.

10) Teaching Case Study Updates – Opportunity: May want to relaunch the teaching case study in 2022 in line with the current CSEAR Climate Literacy grant project.

11) Communications/Promotions

- a. **Blog** – Colin will be looking for a group of volunteers including early career scholars to organize, commit content and review the blog material.

Special Note: Many thanks to Colin for overseeing this for many years.

To Do: Colin will complete a turnover document to help with the transition of this team. **To Do:** There is an opportunity for a call to the CSEAR membership to help with this new endeavor.

To Do: Seek further assistance from Kylie, to see if she could help with the blog content and maintenance.

To Do: Create a specific all for CSEAR twitter and blog manager.

- b. **Newsletter** – Spring newsletter already sent. The Summer newsletter will be out at the end of June.

12) Carbon Literacy Project

- There is a positive 'buzz' and sense of people wanting to give and receive information and support in the initial stages including review of the questionnaire.
- Stakeholders local and international are interested...Practitioner bodies have also been involved and interested.
- Events around COP 26
- 2 workshops already, 2 organized this week, desk-based review. They will be featured on the website.

To Do: Circulating updates with the survey.

13) Outstanding Items Relating to Governance CSEAR

Announcement of the CSEAR Administrator stepping down. Further discussion and review of the future of this role is ongoing.

Considered Date for the Next Meeting: TBC