Scottish Text Society

Annual General Meeting

Friday 25 April 2014

Room 304, 5 University Gardens, University of Glasgow, at 4.00 pm

Minutes

- 1. Welcome and Apologies
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting: these were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.
- 3. **Accounts, Annual Report and President's Report.** The AGM received the Accounts and the Annual Report for 2013. The President, Nicola Royan, reported on a successful year for the Society. The AGM heard that the latest volume, *The Buke of the Howlat*, ed. Ralph Hanna, would be published in September 2014 and launched at the Moray Book Festival.

NR notified the AGM that the Council is keeping a watchful eye on the Society's reserves but that finances were healthy particularly following the publication and success of the *Older Scots Reader*. The AGM also learned that Council continues to investigate developing the Society's capabilities in digital publishing.

- 4. **Constitution**: The suggested revisions to the Constitution were approved by the AGM. These were to items 1, and 4 (new wording 'the most senior member present'), and the date ('25 April 2014').
- 6. **Risk assessment:** The AGM learned that the Society will update the format of its strategy document for risk assessment. A particular risk had been identified by Council as being around 'open access'. However, it was waiting for more updated information about how this would affect learned societies. The AGM approved adjustments to the risk assessment strategy document in these areas.
- 7. **Council Membership**: The AGM confirmed the election of Ms Helen Vincent and Dr Sarah Carpenter to Council. The resignation of Professor David Parkinson was received. The AGM wished to express sincere thanks to Professor Parkinson for his generous service over many years, and especially for his help with editions currently in preparation. The re-election was confirmed of: Professor Hector MacQueen, Professor Tony Edwards, Professor James Goldstein, Dr Joanna Martin.
- 8. **McIntosh lecture**: It was confirmed that this lecture will be held in the third week of September. The speaker is Robert Crawford.
- 9. AOCB. There was no other business.
- 10. Date of next meeting: The next meeting of the AGM would be in April 2015.