

British Forum for Ethnomusicology

Annual General Meeting, Winchester, 2 April 2006

Minutes

1. Present:

Shino Arisawa (SA), Caroline Bithell (CB), Stephen Cottrell (SC), Rachel Harris (RH), Ruth Hellier-Tinoco (RHT), Keith Howard (KH), David Hughes (DH), Giovanna Iacovazzi (GI), Andrew Killick (AK; secretary), Elizabeth Lidster (EL), Nicolas Magriel (NM), Sharon Meredith (SM), Laudan Nooshin (LN), Tina Ramnarine (TKR; chair), Ruth Rosenfelder (RR), Jonathan Stock (JS), Britta Sweers (BS), David Wong (DW)

Apologies:

Iain Foreman (IF), Barley Norton (BN), Ian Russell (IR), Henry Stobart (HS)

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting 15 April 2005

The minutes were approved.

3. Matters Arising

4. It was decided to continue using the name “British Forum for Ethnomusicology” for the present.

7a. Congratulations were offered to Sheffield on the 2005 ICTM conference, to Middlesex on the 2005 BFE one-day conference, and to Winchester on the present BFE annual conference.

4. Chair’s Report

2005-06 was an excellent year for ethnomusicology in the UK, with the hosting of the ICTM conference and a number of new appointments and honours. TKR has submitted an expression of interest to the British Academy Prospective Learned Societies Project.

5. Officers’ Reports

(a) Treasurer. DH agreed to audit the report. It was noted that BFE has received additional income from JSTOR and from the 2005 one-day conference. Members were reminded to cancel any standing orders for membership fees. RH and TKR will ask Routledge for clarification on the journal editing fee. A student prize will be awarded from the next annual conference.

(b) Publicity. RHT asked members for updates on their institutions for the BFE web pages.

(c) Journal. Two special issues have been published since the last AGM. Much good material is in hand, and the partnership with Routledge is working well.

(d) Newsletter. A new issue was sent out recently. In future, the Newsletter may be sent out by e-mail, with an optional paper copy by request.

6. Committee Membership. Thanks were offered to IF and KH who stood down from the committee. RH was re-elected, and EL was elected as student representative. LN was co-opted to the committee.

7. Forthcoming Conferences

a. 2006 BFE one-day conference on the theme of “Music and Travel” to be held in Manchester, 2 December 2006.

b. 2007 BFE annual conference will most likely be in Newcastle; no theme has been announced as yet.

c. Members were reminded of the forthcoming North Atlantic Fiddle Convention in Aberdeen.

d. JS proposed talking to other music societies about organising a joint conference in a few years.

8. A.O.B.

None.

9. Date of next AGM

During 2007 annual conference, April 2007