

ATLTGI AGM**UL****DATE: Saturday, 18th October 2008**

Present: Monika Albrecht (UL), Jürgen Barkhoff (TCD), Gabriele Behrens (NUIG), Sheree Borge (CIT), Kristin Brogan (IT Tralee), Deirdre Byrnes (NUIG), Berit Carmesin (NUIG), Paul Caffrey (DES), Una Carthy (LyIT), Jean Conacher (UL), Tony Coulson (DCU), Andrew Cusack (TCD), Graham Daly (UCD), Siobhán Donovan (UCD), Clive Earls (UL), Annelie Eberhardt (NUIG), Sabine Egger (MIC), Joachim Fischer (UL), Stefan Hajduk (MIC), Gisela Holfter (UL), Ute Husfeld (WIT), Tim Jackson (TCD), Deirdre Kelliher (UL), Marieke Krajenbrink (UL), Florian Krobb (NUIM), Deirdre Lynch (?), Michael Maerlein (UCD), Rachel Mag Shamhráin (UCC), Nora Maguire (TCD), Alice Mazurek (UL), Moray McGowan (TCD), Antoinette McNamare (UL), Gillian S. Martin (TCD), Rosanna Molloy (WIT), Anne O'Loughlin (St Comín's Comm. School), Rosaleen O'Neill (NUIG), Cordula Politis (TCD), Pierce H. Purcell (GDI), Tina-Karen Pusse (NUIG), Hermann Rasche (NUIG), Claudia Reese (UL), Clemens Ruthner (TCD), Manfred Schewe (UCC), Hans-Walter Schmidt-Hannisa (NUIG), Katja Scholz (UL), Simone Schroth (UCD), Vera Sebold (MIC), Jeffrey Weiß (MIC), Arnd Witte (NUIM)

Apologies: Karl-Bernhard Bödeker (IT Sligo), Jenny Bruen (DCU), Ines Brunhardt (MIC), Deirdre Creighton (UCD), Nicola Creighton (QUB), Noel Deeney (DIT), Doris Devilly (NUIG), Jenny Farrell (GMIT), Carmel Finnan (MIC), Anne Fuchs (UCD), Valerie Heffernan (NUIM), Bernadette Hunkeler-Brown (Schweizer Botschaft), Fionnuala Kennedy (WIT), Sabine Krobb (UCD), Caitríona Leahy (TCD), Aine McGillicuddy (DCU), Geraldine Mitchell (ITT Dublin), Jeff Morrison (NUIM), Anna Maria Mullally (ITT Dublin, UCC), Helen O'Connell (ret ITT Dublin), Pól O Dochartaigh (UU Coleraine), Claire O'Reilly (UCC), Gillian Pye (UCD), Jeanne Riou (UCD), Josef Rützel (DES), Christiane Schönfeld (NUIG), Annette Simon (DCU), Regina Standún (NUIM), Rolf Stehle (Goethe-Institut), Anna Maria Mullally (ITT Dublin), Riana Walsh (ITT Dublin), Heidi Zojer (UCD)

Issue	Action	Person Responsible	Date for Completion
□ Financial Accounts	SD circulated copies of the financial statement of the Association – healthy state at present.	RM taking over as treasurer	
□ Directory	A hard copy of the directory was distributed at the business meeting in order to update data. (Thanks to all those who amended pages. Any further corrections to be sent to KB.)	Head of Departments	(As soon as possible)

- Membership

SD mentioned that currently the Association has 51 members – ten more than last year & there is a good mix of Institutions too.

SD also reminded members that payment of the membership fee by standing order is most convenient.

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□ Minutes AGM 2007	Minutes were emailed to all members in Nov 2007. Content accepted by all members.		
□ “Big” event	The Association had agreed to concentrate on one big event on an annual basis. This year’s event was the postgraduate forum, which was organised by JC, with 11 post-grads attending.		
□ <i>Foresight Report</i>	FK informed the meeting about this report dealing with the role of the humanities and its future role. The invited submission by the ATLTGI committee on behalf of the Association is available on the website: www.germaninireland.org		
□ New webmaster	Welcome to Clive Earls (Clive.Earls@ul.ie) Please email him if you have any contributions for the website (announcements, CfPs etc.). Thanks to outgoing webmaster, Alan Murphy.	All members	
□ Acknowledgement of contributions by SD & FK to the Association	All members thanked retiring committee members Siobhán Donovan and Florian Krobb for all their dedicated involvement and enthusiasm over the last three and a half years on behalf of the Association. Also many thanks to Caitríona Leahy (TCD) for all her valuable contributions over the past year.		
□ New committee members	Una Carthy (LyIT) & Rachel MagShamhráin (UCC) were unanimously elected as new committee members. Jean Conacher (UL), co-opted by the committee after the 2007 AGM, offered to stay on the committee, and this was also unanimously accepted. JC will be joint-chair together with KB (ITT).	All members	

- Yearbook
Members were reminded about the launch of the yearbook later in the afternoon. FK pointed out that the yearbook is a showcase for publications and a forum for research. **Deadline** for submissions for the Yearbook 2009 is before Xmas. Please send any submissions to Rachel: R.Magshamhrain@ucc.ie.

□ **EVENTS / Requests**

- Questionnaire request
Joachim Fischer (Joachim.Fischer@ul.ie) is asking members to complete a questionnaire. If you need any additional copies, please email him.

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□ Business German Meeting	Gisela Holfter (Gisela.Holfter@ul.ie) announced the next meeting of the <i>Working Group for Business German in Ireland</i> : Friday, the 13 th of March in UL.		
□ <u>Eduard Hanslick</u> Conference	SD announced this forthcoming conference on the Viennese music critic (24-25 June 2009 in UCD School of Music). See www.hanslickconference.com .		
□ Internationales Handbuch für DAF	Manfred Schewe (UCC) announced the publication of the handbook in about two weeks time.		
□ Deutscher Schauerroman Conference	From the 30 th of Jan – 1 st of Feb 2009 in Halle, Germany. Please contact acusack@tcd.ie for further details, which are also accessible on our website www.germaninireland.org .		
□ Caspar Walter Rauh Conference	On the 8 th – 9 th of May 2009, Kulmbach; Germany. Please contact h.schmidthannisa@nuigalway.ie for further details, which are also accessible on our website www.germaninireland.org .		
□ CUTG Conference	Gisela Hoflter (UL) reminded colleagues		

about the CUTG conference at UU,
Coleraine, 6-8 April 2009.

- Precarious Parenthood and the Performativity of 'Family' Conference at NUIG, 5th and 6th of June in 2009. Please contact Tina-karen.pusse@nuigalway for further information. Also the call for papers is published on our website www.germaninireland.org.
- GDI Annual Seminar Pierce Purcell announced the GDI annual seminar in TCD on Saturday, the 22nd of Nov 2008. Elke Hughes will give a talk and there will be plenty of workshops. Third-level colleagues warmly invited. See www.germanteachers.ie.
- Survey on pod casts & blogs Berit Carmesin (Berit.Carmesin@nuigalway.ie) is requesting members to complete a one page questionnaire. This is for a funded project that she and Doris Devilly are coordinating. Please email Berit for any additional questionnaires.

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