

Staff & SSLC Meeting – Tuesday, 17th June 2025

Attendees

Tess Grant, Rich Rabone, Andrew Calvert, Maria Czepiel, Delia Moldovan, Kate Travers, Marta Spina, Karin Sprang, Alex Tadel, Tim Wade, Claudio Azzarito, Mathilde Alain, Valeria Cesaraccio, Yinhuizi Hannah Shi, Giacomo Rughetti, Paul Botley.

1. Past Minutes and Follow-Up Items

Minutes were approved. It was noted that there has not been take-up from Tours to attend the WiP sessions. **ACTION:** TG to follow up.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Chair's Business

- First alumni weekend this weekend (21st–22nd June): Discussed. TG noted that there will also be an Honorary Research Fellows get-together on Friday 11th July and that in future these events will be together.
- Awaiting results of seed fund application with Toronto's Centers for Medieval Studies and Renaissance and Reformation Studies.
- Awaiting results of IPF application with the Tours & Poitiers medievalists.
- Awaiting results of IPF application for Global Renaissance with Newberry and Toronto.
- Arizona is now a strategic partner.
- Peter Mack Memorial – 1st November 2025: TG asked for student volunteers to help on the day of the event.

4. Library Updates

- New library resources: AC introduced LibKey, BrowZine, and Summon Research Assistant.
- Other announcements: metadata has been improved. Trial of Muteferriqa reserch portal until 26 July. Angus Harker is helping improve bibliographic information for Warwick's special collections. TG added that there will be an exhibition of rare books for the CSR's 60th anniversary and invited suggestions for what should be displayed.
- Support over the summer: Research and Academic Support Librarians are available throughout the summer. AC will be working in the Faculty Hub during times of the week (TBC).

5. SSLC Feedback

- New issues: KS reported that there is a lack of awareness among staff regarding PGR visas eg. rules around internships, volunteering, temporary withdrawal. **ACTION:** TG to look into visa issues.