

**Present:** Ana Freschi, Ana Ines Salvi, Beverly Carter, Christian Ludwig, Christine O’Leary, Darissa Borges, Desiree Castillo, Diana Feick, Diana Pineda, Diego Mideros, Eduardo Castro, Giovanna Tassinari, Jhonatan de A Rabelo, Kerstin Dofs, Leni Dam, Morena Dies Botello de Magathers, Maristella Gabardo, Michael Carroll, Moira Hobbs, Ronaldo Gomes Junior, Terezinha Sprenger, Terry Lamb, Vera Menezes, Walkyria Magno.

**Apologies:** Garold Murray, Sara Cotterall & Alice Chik

**Today’s Agenda:** Agree and approve

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** AILA Congress in Brisbane; for confirmation

These were circulated on the website before the meeting and also handed out at the beginning of the meeting.

*Agreed to take the previous Minutes as read.*

### **1. Conveners report, including information from committee members**

This was circulated on the website before the meeting and also handed out at the beginning of the meeting. There were 2 items to add:

1. The RenLA members’ publications list collated by Giovanna Tassinari was tabled and will be posted on the website. Anyone else with publications in books or journals, please give the details to Giovanna so she can update the website: [giovanna.tassinari@fu-berlin.de](mailto:giovanna.tassinari@fu-berlin.de)
2. Jo Mynard sent information about website usage: <http://www.ailarenla.org>. According to the statistics for 2017, the site has been viewed by people from 94 countries and the average rate of about 100 hits per week.

It was noted that anyone wanting to join the free RenLA needs to be informed to email: [alice.chik@gmail.com](mailto:alice.chik@gmail.com). Once joined up, they will automatically become a member of the AUTO-L discussion list, then they can post messages to: [AUTO-L@JISCMail.AC.UK](mailto:AUTO-L@JISCMail.AC.UK)

*Agreed to accept the Report as read with the additions (above)*

### **2. Reapplication for the AILA Research Network**

- a. If wanted, the conveners will undertake the renewal with AILA before October.**

*Agreed that conveners should apply for an extension.*

- b. If wanted, Alice Chik will undertake a nomination and voting process for conveners for the next 3 years**

*Agreed that Alice will call for nominations and facilitate election of nominated candidates after the conference*

### **3. Committee positions of responsibility needing to be maintained, modified or terminated.** (see page 2)

- There was a discussion about whether all existing roles should be maintained
- It was noted that some roles may need to be disestablished e.g. LALL
- It was mentioned that regular discussion topics were planned and initiated, but there were no responses, so they fell into abeyance
- There was a suggestion for two new committee roles:
  1. Collation of relevant journals for our members, including associated impact factors
  2. Basic mentoring of new researchers and first time writers

- Current committee members will be asked to feedback on their roles and if they want to continue in them, or not, or change to another role

*Agreed that these items and roles are to be discussed and decided on by the new convening team*

#### **4. Determine operational procedures by committee members.**

Suggestion: Report back to the conveners every 6 months, and/or when there are activities to report, whichever happens first.

*Agreed that committee members should report back to the convenors when something of interest to members within their area of responsibility occurs, or at least once every 6 months*

#### **Committee - Areas of responsibility**

\* Names with an asterisk have offered to continue in their role for another 3-year term.

*Discussion list (AUTO-L) administrator*

\*Lucy Cooker

*Doctoral theses*

\*Peter Huang, Nana Long

*E-bulletin editor*

Harry Kuchah Kuchah

*Events*

\*Mehmet Boyno

*LALL editors*

Lucy Cooker, Miroslaw Pawlak

*Membership*

\*Alice Chik

*Members' publications*

Giovanna Tassinari

*Research agenda – (Book on hold but is now progressing)*

Naoko Aoki with discussion leaders, David Palfreyman, Xuesong (Andy) Gao, Martin Lamb, Terry Lamb, Garold Murray and Alice Chik

*Resources for beginners*

\*Naoko Aoki, Sarah Mercer, Kerstin Dofs

*Website coordinator*

\*Jo Mynard

*Web interactivity*

Alice Chik

*Members-at-large*

Vasumathi Badrinathan, Liliane Sade

Other ideas:

*Publication venues*

Compilation of a list of journals and publishers for Autonomous Learning articles and chapters, with the current impact factor included. Many of our members are active researchers, but some are newcomers to the field or graduate students. Many are looking for publishing venues for work on learner/teacher autonomy, so we would like to propose that we start a resource list to identify journals and/or publishers that are interested in publishing research reports/articles in the field.

The following people have indicated an interest in taking on a future role:

Birsen Tutunis, Christine O'Leary, Diana Oliveros Domínguez, Diego Mideros, Maria Giovanna Tassinari, Miroslaw Pawlak, Sabine Little, Teng Feng.