**BAAL Corpus SIG**

AGM

24/02/2021

Present (online): Sian Alsop, Clyde Ancarno, Gavin Brookes (Convenor), Robbie Love, Benet Vincent, David Wright

GB introduced himself as new SIG convenor. Each member introduced themselves. Welcome to Robbie Love as new Communications Officer.

GB thanked Megan Bruce as outgoing convenor and commended her work in the role through a number of challenges: GDPR, bank account complexities and COVID-19. GB wishes to carry on her progress.

RL and BV have volunteered to review entries for the BAAL book prize. No contact made yet.

BV and SA reported positively about the SIG event ‘Core Corpus Skills for Academic Purposes’ hosted at Coventry in January 2021. High quality talks, friendly environment and a good amount of follow-on emerging, including proposals being sent to BALEAP.

No other events planned this year. Next official SIG event Spring 2022 – on the topic of corpus approaches to language change, to be hosted at the University of Leicester by Mel Evans.

RL notified group the BAAL/CUP event at Aston in April 2021: Corpora in Applied Linguistics: Broadening the Agenda.

AOB: CA raised question about two outstanding reimbursements from November 2020. GB and BV said that was all in hand, though BV noted that one person seems to have changed email address. CA noted smoothness of bank transfer and no other business in relation to treasury matters.