

GA of the LSB

Meeting at the LSB linguists' day 2020 (virtual edition)

- Presentation du président (Bert Cornillie)
 - Financial report (Tanja Mortelmans)
 - membership is dwindling somewhat but we are still in a financially healthy position
 - Magali Paquot suggests that we should be more pro-active in recruiting new members
 - Marie Steffens suggests the option to pay for multiple years in a row, Karen Lahousse joins in de suggestions
 - Publications
 - BJL (overview made by Timothy Colleman)
 - BJL33: appeared April 2020
 - BJL34: to appear April 2021
 - BJL35: final BJL as we know it - proposals still welcome! November 1st
 - Minimum 4, but 6-9 ideally full length articles + introduction by guest editors
 - at least 2 (but can be more) guest editors, one of which needs to be affiliated to a Belgian University.
 - deadline for FULL version of the yearbook is Sept 15th 2021
 - What after 2021?
 - No journal
 - Benjamins: alone/together with AVT
 - OA journal: alone/together with AVT
 - Benjamins has offered us a similar contract to our current one, but two small issues, instead of one larger one (at the same price we pay now)
 - pro: publishing house, prestige, good existing collaboration, publicity, typesetting ...
 - con: not cheap, limited OA possibilities

- Open access option
 - desirable from many points of view
 - could stay with established publishing houses
 - but is very expensive (€500/paper or €10.000/year)
- Member input:
 - Mikhail Kissine: general question
 - what are the motivations for publishing in BJJL 2.0 ?
 - non-thematic, shared journal > the current motivations will disappear
 - Magali Paquot is in agreement with this point
 - Guido Vanden Wyngaerd:
 - possible merger
 - AVT and LSB have a very different scale of membership proportion
 - the risk is that AVT would swallow BJJL
 - with the rise of predatory publishing starting a “new” journal is high risk, possible advantage of merger with LIN
 - Mena Lafkioui: is it possible to be a member of BKL abroad? We should promote this more/open up
 - she doesn't favour a merger with the AVT journal
 - Lobke Ghesquière: What does Benjamins think about a merger?
 - they don't have a strong view: they don't oppose
 - but if there is a merger: we need to keep one of the two ISSN numbers
 - Task force: Timothy Coleman + Bert Cornillie + ??
 - possible title for joint journal:
 - European journal of general linguistics (Marie Steffens) EJGL
 - Linguistics in the Low Countries (Guido Vanden Wyngaerd) LiLC
 - OA access is the preferred move (?)
 - Mikhail Kissine: if we go that route, we should encourage/force authors to publish data/script
 - Studies of the LSB vol 14 (2020)

- edited by Guido Vanden Wyngaerd
- Studies of the LSB vol 15 (2021)
 - will be edited by our Namur colleagues
- LSB Linguists' day
 - 2019 KUL Campus Bxl
 - 2020 UNamur (zoom)
 - 2021 VUB (we aim for a spring meeting)
 - proposals for 2022 edition welcome
- LSB PhD paper presentation award
 - successful! 2020 edition: 13 candidates out of 25 were preselected based on abstract rating
 - we should make more explicit the criteria
 - Magali Paquot: oral presentation is pre-assessed on the basis of an abstract;
 - not in favour of keeping this as a permanent preselection criterion - skills for presentation and abstract writing are very different
 - we should be more explicit on who is eligible: joint papers/presentations? > be first author + presenter
 - attract more evaluators
- Mailing list
 - more proactive in recruiting members
- CIPL: LSB is a member organisation of CIPL
 - we collaborated with the Abralin Ao Vivo series
- Elections: New board proposal:
 - Marie Steffens (president) **2020-2023**
 - Thomas Hoelbeek (vice-president) **2020-2023**
 - Tanja Mortelmans (treasurer) 2019-2022
 - Emma Vanden Wyngaerd (secretary) 2019-2022
 - Damien De Meyere (webmaster) 2019-2022
 - Timothy Colleman (BJL editor-in-chief) **2020-2022** (final term!)

Friday, 16 October 2020

- Meeting closed at 14:20