

## MINUTES BKL – CBL AGM 2019

Meeting opened at 13:25

### 1. Financial report

We need more members. We are in a state of decline

|                     | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Leden / Membres     | 25   | 38   | 30   | 102  | 63   |
| "Abonnement<br>BJL" | 9    | 17   | 11   | 27   | 24   |

However, our financial situation is not dependent on membership fees (we are currently in the green, with a modest financial buffer), but rather on the subsidies from the UF/FU. Application for the next to years has been submitted.

### 2. Events and publications

– Belgian Journal of Linguistics

BJL 32 (2018), published & distributed 6 weeks ago

BJL 33 (2019), Latin influence on the syntax of the languages of Europe (edited by B. Drinka & B. Cornillie)

But the future of the BJL!

Benjamins is pushing us to move from 1 thematic volume per year to a minimum of 2 issues per year, with at least one that is open to regular submissions

Despite the pressures from Benjamins, we are hesitant to make that move. Would we get (qualitative) spontaneous submissions? We will need an effort on the part of the members.

J. Berns points out the importance of ranking. If a journal isn't ranked, it is not on the radar.

TC: Indeed this is why Benjamins is pushing us to twice a year. B. Le Bruyn points out that one of the issues in getting enough submissions is tied up with the importance of OpenAccess when it comes to funding bodies. In the Netherlands, the corresponding journal (LIN) is not getting enough submissions partly because it isn't ranked and Dutch funding bodies are demanding OA publishing. LIN & BJL can consider collaborating (TC is not opposed to the idea). B. Le Bruyn mentioned that other journals have negotiated a cost of €5500 for 2 issues per year for OA.

G. Vanden Wyngaerd suggests having (a selection of papers) of the proceedings of the LSB day in the open submission volume.

Board & members are quite happy with the quality of the publications in the "Travaux du BKL" that could be published in the BJL.

– Travaux du CBL/Studies van de BKL

Publication soon. Edited by Steffens et. al

– Linguists' day

Thanks to the local organisers (G. Vanden Wyngaerd et al).

2020 UNamur (will be confirmed)

2021 VUB (?), la dernière fois 1998! B. Cornillie will approach them?

We are open for other proposals!

– LSB Conference: proposal

The last few years we had not had a thematic conference.

Thematic panels.

Original proposal; hiver (janvier) 2020 ou mois d'Avril

### 3. Best paper presentation award

2018 edition: 8 candidates (1/4 of the papers)

2019 edition: 12 candidates (1/3 of the papers)

– Making explicit the criteria: to do / doubt.

– Symbolic prize:

– free membership and certificate

– recognition

– more PR online (e-mail – website)

### 4. Mailing list – Website – Facebook site (new privacy rules)

GDPR. D. De Meyere has made a proposal.

### 5. CIPL membership

Non profit organisation that organised a big conference in places where this is not usual.

The new CIPL-president has requested that the BKL-CBL investigates organising CIPL 2023 @Square conference center. CIPL asks the possibility of having between 1000 et 1500 participants.

However it is not likely that we will organise this, because there are competing offers. In addition, organising this conference is not necessarily interesting for the local organisers.

We will keep our members informed.

6. Terms of board members (3 years)

The members of the board are elected for a three-year term.

The positions of president and vice-president are once renewable. The other board positions are endlessly renewable.

Emma, Damien & Magali elected for 2016-2019

Bert (P), Marie (VP), Timothy (ed) elected for 2017-2020

Damien & Emma sign up for the next 3 years.

Treasurer Magali steps down.

Candidates? If not, Marie is willing to shift to that position

In that case, there is a vacant VP position, which ideally should be filled by a women active in a university that is part of the FWB.

7. Any other business

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Meeting closes at 14:01