

Annex 1: Officers' reports

President

In September 2018 I was greatly honoured to be asked by the NALA Executive to step in, at least on an interim basis, to attempt to fill the very large shoes of Pam Haezewindt. Since that time I have:

- Communicated with Exec and conference committee members
- Represented NALA at APPG, Language Liaison Group and Language Trends stakeholder meetings
- Considered how a Joint Council of Mathematics approach might apply to NALA
- Contributed to a flow of information in the Association about changes to Ofsted inspections and the follow-on from the KS3 Pedagogy Review

Jenny Carpenter, June 2019

Chair

Between July and September, I:

- Nurtured contact with ALL and secured a possible joint mailing for ALL and NALA members regarding language provision and uptake.
- Contacted Lord Tom McNally, to seek advice for how to lobby effectively.
- Written to my MP regarding concerns with low uptake and provision for languages.
- Secured interest in an article in ALL magazine Languages Today regarding 50th NALA and joint NALA / ALL activities to be co-written by Steven Fawkes and Alan Dobson.
- Liaised with Linda exec members regarding meetings.

Between September and January, I:

- Liaised with Jane Harvey at ALL re joint mailing.
- Contacted former members re retirement category and conference
- Helped to coordinate joint article by Steven Fawkes and Alan Dobson for ALL magazine.
- Briefed Lord McNally in parliament about our concerns and received advice about how to impact strongly and secured ongoing support
- Followed up meeting by sending notes.
- Written to and briefed my MP William Wragg in parliament, member of education select committee regarding our concerns and secured commitment to ongoing support.
- William Wragg has subsequently submitted a written parliamentary question which Nick Gibb has replied to.
- Invited Jane Harvey to January exec meeting.
- Invited Lesley and Bridget to Sheffield meeting.
- Discussed with Jane Harvey attending ALL council meeting as observer.
- Attended WM meeting and welcomed delegates.
- Emailed Sasha Humphries re speaking at conference (Primary MAT CEO and linguist.
- Approached Oonagh Jaquest at the BBC Bitesize re possible input at conference. Phone meeting planned

Between January and June, I:

- Started to draft document relating languages to KS2 grammar glossary.
- Updated activity plan.
- Attended ALL conference in Loughborough. Various discussions to feedback on from conversations with Jane Harvey, Rachel Hawkes, David Shanks, Karl Pfeifer.
- Various attempts to recruit members.
- Suggested Kim Bower to replace Sacha Humphries as conference speaker.
- Brief contact with Emma Marsden.

- Added NALA name to joint letter with ALL to Welsh government. Response circulated.
- I have started plans for a NW NALA event.
- Drafted a letter for Jean Cousins re Languages Recovery Programme to offer support. Secured ALL and ISMLA as joint signatories. Awaiting response
- Established links with the Association of Education Advisers. 2 colleagues to attend Birmingham session of theirs as observers and president to attend their Annual Summit in July.

I should like to thank all members of the executive committee who give of their time so generously to support the association. In particular this year I want to express heartfelt thanks to Linda Owen who has worked tirelessly as secretary to ensure the smooth running of the association. She has fulfilled this role with expert efficiency and attention to detail. She will be sadly missed by all those who have worked with her. Thank you for your kind and patient efficiency Linda.

Alice Harrison, June 2019

Treasurer

How things stand at the bank	
Current account	
Balance of 27 th May	£2393.09
Conference account	
Current balance	£4982.03
Deposit account	
Current balance	£10,352.42

- Membership – 6 honorary, 49 paying members.
- Accounts will be certified from 1st Sept 2019 and will initially include an extended period from 1st Jan 2018 to 31st Aug 2019. Thereafter as agreed at AGM accounts will be certified in line with the membership year.
- All invoices paid to date – Conference invoice yet to be issued and paid.
- Bank transfer received from NW account £2349.14 (NW account now closed)
- Money transferred from savings to current and conference to cover invoices.
- 20 x 2 day delegates, 1 x Sat only plus various part day speakers as of 27th May 2019. Closing date for applications 14th June 2019. Projected income from delegates = £4960
- No fraudulent transactions on NatWest account.

Bev Whiteside, NALA Treasurer , 27th May 2019

Secretary

Since the 2018 AGM the secretary has:

- organised and convened three executive meetings and one AGM.
- been in touch with regional convenors and elected officers, collecting and collating their reports for each executive meeting and the AGM as appropriate.
- taken, written up and re-drafted minutes, and forwarded them to the Communications Officer for uploading to the NALA website and to the rest of the executive committee and regional convenors.
- liaised with JC (President) and AH (Chair) over various issues concerning NALA
- liaised with AT and executive members regarding Conference 2019
- liaised with other executive members regarding a variety of membership applications
- attended the SW regional meeting in Dec 2018

I have really enjoyed serving NALA as a co-opted member of the executive committee and, for the last four years, as secretary. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jenny Carpenter for stepping in with yet more support after the sad loss of Pam Haezewindt. I would also like to express my deep gratitude to the other elected members for all their support, and for being such passionate supporters of NALA and the work of the Association: Alice Harrison, Bev Whiteside and Marie O'Sullivan, thank you so much.

Linda Owen, Secretary, June 2019

Communications Officer

In the last 12 months, I have endeavoured to keep the website updated with relevant links which are of interest to members – both those links which I have discovered myself, and those which other members have forwarded to me for inclusion. As ever I am grateful for information which is forwarded, and would reiterate that all members are both welcome and encouraged to send items which they think would be of interest to others.

Where possible, I have added dates, agendas and minutes of regional meetings to the website to keep members informed. Thank you to regional convenors for providing this information.

I attended a Language Liaison Group meeting and APPG on MFL on behalf of NALA, as well as the Dia de la Hispanidad reception at the Spanish Embassy.

Together with AH, I visited the Houses of Parliament to speak to Lord MacNally and William Wragg MP, and additionally wrote, and received a response from, my MP Afzal Khan, regarding languages in English schools.

I also attended and reported back on the meeting at Ofqual on A levels (postponed from December 2018).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank colleagues on the Executive Committee and NALA members for their continued support and patience in reporting or assisting me with occasional blips in the running of the website. In addition, I have been grateful for the support of the treasurer in ensuring that membership information and website access is kept up to date.

Marie O'Sullivan, Communications Officer, June 2019