

BAIS

EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS

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BALLOT PAPER FOR THE ELECTION OF EIGHT MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BAIS.

Members should indicate their preferences by marking an x in each of the appropriate boxes opposite the names of up to eight of the candidates on the list below.

Dr R E Bell	[]
Dr Paul Bew	[]
Mr Mervyn Busted	[]
Dr David Cairns	[]
Dr Mary Hickman	[]
Mr Oliver McLarnon	[]
Professor Séamus Mac Mathúna	[]
Dr Austen Morgan	[]
Mr A Morton	[]
Dr Bob Purdie	[]
Mr Gregory Quiery	[]
Dr Shaun Richards	[]
Mrs Valerie Smith	[]
Dr G J B Watson	[]

Information on candidates (candidates who are members of outgoing Executive are indicated by an asterisk):

DR R E BELL: Educated at Cambridge, where studies included Old Irish and early Irish history in the archaeological Tripos. Did H.Dip. Ed. at T.C.D. Taught for 9 years, including 7 years at Portora Royal School, Enniskillen (where produced Becket's Godot for the Dublin Theatre Festival of 1962). Taught at Edinburgh University for 7 years. With Professor Nigel West, produced a guide to "The Patterns of Education in the British Isles". Joined the Open University Faculty of Education in 1971 producing course components and presenting films and radio programmes on a range of topics around Irish education - north and south. Main current BAIS interest is in the possible development of general adult education material in the field of Irish studies and main current research is on the Royal University and the development of Irish higher education.

DR PAUL BEW*: Is Reader in Political Science at Queen's University, Belfast. His books include Land and the National Question in Ireland, Conflict and Conciliation in Irish Nationalism 1890-1910, and, with Peter Gibbon and Henry Patterson, The State in Northern Ireland. He has been a member of the Executive of BAIS since 1988.

MR MERVYN AUSTEN BUSTEED: Born 1966, Belfast; educated Queen's University, Belfast. Lecturer in Geography, Manchester University since 1975. Member BAIS since 1986; also of Political Studies Association of Ireland and Advisory Committee for Research on Irish Migrants, Institute of Irish Studies, University of Liverpool. Specialises for both research and teaching in the human geography of Ireland. At Manchester teaches second and third year courses on Ireland and leads a regular field trip to Dublin. Contributes to the Irish Studies course organised by the Manchester Irish Education Group.

DR DAVID CAIRNS*: A founder member of BAIS and Honorary Secretary since 1986. He has prepared two editions of the BAIS Survey of Irish Studies in Great Britain and Northern Ireland and is now working on a third. Lectures in History at Staffordshire Polytechnic. Author (with Shaun Richards) of Writing Ireland: Colonialism, Nationalism and Culture.

DR MARY HICKMAN: Director of the Irish Studies Centre at the Polytechnic of North London. She developed and is now Course Tutor for the Irish Studies degree programme at the Polytechnic. Her research interests are Irish migration, the history and experience of the Irish in Britain, identity and the second generation Irish, and Ireland and the European Community. She is a trustee of the Irish in Britain History Group and a member of the management committee of Arus na nGael in Brent.

MR OLIVER MCLARNON*: Educated, Royal Belfast Academical Institution, Ulster College of Art, Hornsey College of Art

(London). MA in Philosophy, London University. Teaching art, Belfast and London. Lecturing on philosophy/theory of education, Rachel Macmillan College of Education, Maria Grey College of Education, London; Head of Art and Art History, West London Institute of Higher Education. Currently Principal Lecturer in Education, West London Institute of Higher Education. Research interest: aesthetic education.

PROFESSOR SEAMUS MAC MATHUNA*: Born, Portadown, co Armagh. Educated, Queen's University, Belfast, University of Zurich, University of Iceland. Has been lecturer at University of Upsala and at University College, Galway. Professor of Irish Studies, New University of Ulster/University of Ulster (1980 -). Head of Department, European Studies and Modern Languages, University of Ulster (1984-88). Publications: Immram Brain: Bran's Journey to the Land of the Women (Max Niemeyer, Tübingen (1985)); various articles in learned journals on aspects of Irish language and literature.

DR AUSTEN MORGAN: Freelance writer living in London. Born Northern Ireland, and lived in Belfast and Dublin. Since 1972 researched and taught Irish history, society and politics. Author of books on Ramsay MacDonald and James Connolly. Forthcoming, biography of Harold Wilson. Next project, book on Belfast working class. Sometime organiser of Lipman Seminar on Ireland, 1978- . Wishes to aid the scholarly study of Ireland in Britain, within a framework of political pluralism.

MR A MORTON: Taught for five years in secondary schools. He has been engaged in teacher education and holds a higher degree in the sociology of education, focusing on the primary school. He teaches at Edge Hill College of Higher Education, Lancashire, where he is co-ordinator of a three year Irish Studies stream within the college's BA degree course in Applied Social Sciences. He has also developed a series of Irish Studies courses within its part-time MA degree in Social Studies. He supports the development of curricula within the British education system which will ensure a better understanding of Irish political and cultural traditions. Is currently researching developments in Irish Studies within the social science degree programmes of British universities and colleges, a subject on which he has written in the BAIS Newsletter.

DR BOB PURDIE*: Born Edinburgh. Studied at Ruskin College, Oxford, and Warwick University. A convener of the Lipman Seminar on Ireland, 1978 - . A member of the editorial board of Fortnight, the independent review published in Belfast. A member of the committee of the Belfast branch of the Irish Labour History Society and sometime co-editor of Saothar, the journal of ILHS. His doctoral thesis has now been published as Politics on the streets: the origins of the Civil Rights movement in Northern Ireland. Currently Tutor in Politics at Ruskin College, Oxford.

MR GREGORY QUIERY: Has been actively involved in the development of Irish Studies on Merseyside for over 7 years has been co-

organiser of Irish Studies conferences in the region. Is a member of the Adult and Further Education subcommittee of BAIS and a member of the Board of Irish Studies at Liverpool University. Is active in the Further Education Federation of the Institute. Has been involved in developing local education authority policy on anti-Irish prejudice and teaches a well-established evening class in Irish Studies at City College, Liverpool. He believes that BAIS, representing a broad spectrum of those involved in Irish Studies, has therefore been a powerful vehicle for the encouraging developments in recent years. He feels that in such a fast developing field, unity can be fragile and that it is crucial that organisations and individuals should work in full consultation with their colleagues, so that Irish Studies can develop in an atmosphere of co-operation and participation.

DR SHAUN RICHARDS*: Teaches Literature at Staffordshire Polytechnic. He was one of the founder members of BAIS, and, to date, has been Treasurer of the Association. He has published widely on Irish Literature and Culture, including Writing Ireland: Colonialism, Nationalism and Culture (co-authored with David Cairns), and is currently writing a book on Modern Irish Drama.

MRS VALERIE SMITH: After leaving school with 2 A levels, went to work as a managersss with Martins, the Newsagent. Self-employed newsagent 1981-85; research interviewer 1985-88. From 1989 onwards, Lecturer in Marketing and Retail Distribution at the North West Training Council. Student at Edge Hill College during 1984-88 and obtained a BA in Applied Social Science. Attended the University of Liverpool Institute of Irish Studies, 1988-90, and expects to receive MA in September 1990.

DR G J B WATSON*: Educated St Patrick's College, Armagh, Queen's University, Belfast, and Wadham College, Oxford. Currently Senior Lecturer in Department of English Literature, Aberdeen University. Member of Executive Committee of BAIS 1986-90. Author of Irish Identity and the Literary Revival; organiser of the BAIS annual lecture series, now in its third year.