28th November 2019

Dear friends

I’m writing with a short news update from the Society. We held our Trustee Meeting on September 2nd.

At the meeting it was resolved to make various changes to the management structure, with immediate effect:

Professor Donna McDonald-McGinn becomes Chair
Professor Anne Bassett becomes Treasurer
Professor Ann Swillen becomes Secretary
Professor Peter Scambler will remain as Trustee, and be deputy treasurer

New trustees will be invited shortly.

We discussed the accounts of the Society and following clarifications these were submitted to the auditor and subsequently to the UK Charity Commission on 29th October 2019.

We discussed the 2020 meeting in Croatia. Further details will be placed on the web site as they become available.

This is therefore the last time I will be writing to you all as a group and I would just like to say what an honour it was to be asked to take up the chair at the founding of the Society, and what a thrill it has been to see the progress of our grouping at each biennial meeting. Partly, the decision to step down was driven by the fact my own research has moved away from 22q11.2, and even Tbx1, in the last few years. It is totally appropriate for leadership to have “skin in the game”, so to speak. Donna fulfils that brief, in spades. Thank you for your support over the last four years, and I look forward to meeting you all again in Croatia.

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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