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Treasurer's Report for Financial year January - December 2009

The ALLC and its fellow associations in the Alliance of Digital Humanities Organisations (ADHO) continue to benefit from the success of the print Journal *LLC* and the contract with OUP. Subscription to the Journal is the means by which individuals become members of the ALLC or any of the other ADHO associations. Income from *LLC* is 70% of the profit it makes.

As in previous years, payments to the associations from OUP in respect of the Journal are staged, and the final settlement is not made until five months or so after the end of the year to which it related. The financial report presented at conference contains the Association accounts for the preceding calendar year, but these transactions are largely funded by the Journal income for the year before that. Hence the 2010 conference meetings are presented with the 2009 accounts, whose expenditures are largely based on income from the 2008 Journal year.

At 31st December 2009 ALLC had £80,136.67 in the bank and unrestricted funds of £75,895. The income in 2009 comprised:

- 1. the final payments arising from the Journal's 2008 profits which was received during 2009
 - 2. two advance payments on the Journal's 2009 profits
- 3. the balance of the 2009 profit share which is received by the Association during 2010.

The income is shared on an agreed basis with the Association for Humanities Computing (ACH) and the Canadian Society for Digital Humanities / Société pour l'étude des médias interactifs (SDH-SEMI).

Page 7 of the Accounts shows the main expenditure for 2009 and the details are in the following pages, explained in the notes. In addition to the activities funded under the ADHO umbrella (about which more below), we provided financial support for the *European Summer School on 'Culture & Technology'* which took place at the University of Leipzig from the 27th to the 31st of July 2009, the *Workshop on Digital Humanities* held at the university of Tokyo in March 2009, the *Genetic Editions in a Digital Framework* workshop organised by the TEI Manuscript Special Interest Group at the ITEM-ENS in Paris in May 2009 and the *Statistics in the Analysis of Style* workshop, which took place at the Roosevelt Academy Middelburg in the Netherlands in July 2009.

The past few years have seen a significant increase in the investment made by the three associations (ALLC, ACH and SDH-SEMI) in joint activities and this is reflected to some extent in the figure for 'Joint ADHO activities' in the financial report.

The total investment in ADHO activities in the year 2009 was for £50,078 GBP (the formal figure in the financial report does not include the ALLC subvention or accrual-related adjustments), of which £19,774 was invested directly in the societies, £11,034 went to publications subventions and £19,270 was spent on other activities. The distribution of revenue among the societies for 2009 was as follows: ALLC £9,165, ACH £5,093, SDH-SEMI £3,516, in addition to a one-off payment of £2,000 to SDH-SEMI to make up for its low income in 2008.

In light of the accounting changes required by the highly collaborative model that ADHO provides, and in light of new investment by the ALLC in scholarly initiatives, we carried out a sustained review of the category headings for association activities this year, and have made a number of changes to these.

This year's ALLC meeting will once again return to the question of how to invest some of our relatively generous reserves: I would encourage ALLC members to put forward proposals for imaginative new projects or workshops that the association could support as part of its core mission to facilitate new initiatives in the Digital Humanities.

I would be happy to provide information on any item in the 2009 accounts to interested members. Please feel free to contact me at the address below.

Paul Spence

Honorary Treasurer

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