



# Business Meeting of the Research Group on Manuscript Evidence



56th International Congress on Medieval Studies on Thursday, 13 May 2021

1:00–2:30 pm EDT via Zoom

All are Welcome, including Newcomers

## Agenda

See also the **Agenda Report**

### I. People

Our organization is powered by volunteers. Help Wanted, with Thanks.

— Funds, Pro-Bono Contributions, and Donations in Kind are welcomed. (See the **Agenda Report**.)

### II. Running our Nonprofit Educational Corporation (Management & General), with low overheads (see *Item I*).

Organizational Functions: Co-ordinating activities & operations; fulfilling Office tasks, Accounting, Filings, etc.

### III. Funding

Fund-Raising: Events, Mailings, and Online: Suggestions and Assistance invited.

via our website (PayPal) and Fundraisers by MightyCause (Giving Tuesday), FaceBook (Birthday Fundraisers), etc.

Responses to our Appeals (Annual, etc.), Donations for Specific Events or Purposes, Endowment, etc. More?

Contributions newly “in Honor of Giles Constable” (1929–2021), our Honorary Trustee — Advice for their purposes?

### IV. Program Activities (see also *Item VI*)

Symposia, Conferences, Workshops, Masterclasses, Etc. — Online / Hybrid / In Person

2020 Spring Symposium cancelled but its Booklet published; 2021 ICMS rescheduled virtually from 2020

Future Events: Some in view. Others? Hosts, Subjects, Organization, Presentations Wanted.

Choice for 2022 ICMS (9–14 May), to be all virtual. Sessions to propose and sponsor or co-sponsor?

E.g. Return to our series on ‘Medieval Writing Materials’ (2011–2014), say at ICMS or elsewhere?

#### Publications

WordPress **Website** in upgrade & redesign (April 2021–): <https://manuscriptevidence.org/wpme> (with SSL)

— Feedback, Suggestions & Advice invited. What would you wish to see on our redesigned site?

Blogs for **Manuscript Studies** & **ICMS Activities** (Subjects MSS & More) — Editors & Contributors Wanted.

Galleries: **Watermarks & the History of Paper** (2020–), **Digital Facsimiles** (IIIF?), etc. Additions, please.

Printed & Printable: **Posters, Event & Report Booklets, Illustrated Catalogue, Drafts for Comment**, Etc.

— also RGME Business Cards, Letterhead, and Institutional Affiliation for Independent Scholars, et al.

Multi-Lingual Digital Font **Bembino** (© RGME and free for use): Next Version: **1.7** or **2.1**? Preferences?

— For info: Compatibilities between current PUA (“Private Use Area”) codepoints *versus* MUFI-compliance?

Mailing List, Newsletter/eNewsletter (e.g. **ShelfMarks?**), etc.

### V. Archives: **RGME Library** of Original Materials, Books, Papers, Correspondence, Photographs, Ephemera, etc.

— partly Digitized. Help Wanted with assembling, processing, and cataloguing. Also, a Future Home?

### VI. Projects (see also *Items IV–V*): New, Ongoing & More?

Video Lectures, Interviews, Classes, Webinars, etc.: More in view. Subjects, Hosting, Tech Support invited.

— Offers include “Manuscript Photography”, “MSS in the Classroom”, “Introduction to Early Cookbooks”, etc.

### VII. Business Arising & Further Discussion

### VIII. Adjournment & Date for next Meeting. ICMS and/or otherwise?