



Constitution

as amended at the AGM on 15 April 2011

1. The Society shall be called the Society for Reformation Studies
2. The aims of the Society shall be:
 - to promote the study of Reformation and Renaissance theology, spirituality and related disciplines;
 - to facilitate contact between scholars of like interests;
 - to organise Conferences and coordinate other means by which scholars working within the field can present and discuss their research;
 - to sponsor the journal *Reformation and Renaissance Review*.
3. Membership of the Society is open to all those with a scholarly interest in the Reformation. Individuals wishing to join the Society should apply to the Membership Secretary. The names of proposed members, along with their sponsors, shall be given to the Committee who shall elect them at their next Committee meeting. For the purpose of constituting the Society, the membership for 1995 shall be deemed to include those in attendance at either the 1994 or 1995 Conferences.
4. Membership of the Society shall involve the payment of an annual membership fee to be paid by 30 April each year. The subscription shall be determined by the General Meeting. Members of the Society shall be entitled to certain advantages, such as a reduction to the Conference fee after the first year of membership and a reduced subscription rate to the Journal. Members may resign by informing the Membership Secretary in writing. Members who fail to pay their membership fee for two consecutive years shall be deemed to have resigned.
5. The Society shall appoint a Committee, consisting of the following Officers: President, Convenor for Conferences, Secretary, Treasurer/Membership Secretary, and either the editor or the deputy editor of the Journal. The Committee shall be responsible for organising the Society's Conference.
6. During the Conference a General Meeting of members shall be held.
7. The Officers of the Society for the forthcoming years shall be elected by a majority of the members of the General Meeting. The Officers shall serve for a term of two years, but may be reelected. The President will normally serve two consecutive terms. Ten members of the Society, present at a General Meeting, shall constitute a quorum for the election of Officers.
8. Any member duly proposed and seconded by members of the Society may stand for election to the Committee at the General Meeting.
9. Proposals for discussion at the General Meeting must be proposed and seconded by members and received by an Officer of the Committee no less than seven days before the first day of the Conference.
10. Amendments to the Constitution, duly proposed and seconded by members of the Society, shall be notified to members in writing four weeks before the General Meeting and shall require a two thirds majority of those present and voting at the meeting.