

ECS Journal Meeting, Friday 15th October:

Email extract from President Cassander Smith 24 September 2021 calling the meeting:

“Nick and I have been talking about next steps to get the journal up and running with a goal of having an issue out by late next year. I would like to call a planning meeting so that Nick can share with us his vision for the journal, and we can all brainstorm together.

I have cc'd the members of our advisory board to signal to you that we are making this move and to invite you to join us if you like for the planning session. We welcome any and all insight!”

In attendance; Nick Jones, Cassie Smith, Kerry Sinanan, Elizabeth Bohls.

Discussion covered the following topics:

- Nick suggested being sister journal of *Small Axe*. Seconded by Kerry and Cassie. Liz proposed linking to University Press and being sister journal of *EAL*. Discussion then considered merits of being allied with a UP or not.
- Discussion then moved to consider format of journal. Nick discussed digital space as allowing innovation. Liz discussed merits of launching journal to re-establish it as print journal. Kerry discussed hybrid models and offered examples of well-respected digital only journals such as *British Art Studies*, *Age of Revolutions* and Liz noted that *Romantic Circles* is well-respected digital venue.
- Cassie asked us to consider timeline of launch in 2022 in time for ECS 20th anniversary and what topics might work. Kerry suggested using ASECS proposal she wrote as basis for a state of the field cfp that could center the work of ECRs. Cassie agrees this would be a good first edition. Liz noted importance of bringing in established voices such as that of Peter Hulme.
- Cassie noted the need to put in place an editorial board and asked us to suggest names with link to a google document.