



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Held at Reading International Solidarity Centre, 35-39 London Street, Reading, RG1 4PS
on Tuesday 13th October 2015

1. Attendance

Board members:

Nathan Brown
Nadiya Donovan
Graham Hammond
Brian Morley
Sally Reith - *Chair*
Andy Syrett

Non Members: Kathy O'Keeffe

2. Welcome, Apologies and Introductions

The Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

Apologies were received from Ian Rothwell, Jean Nunn-Price, Chris Funnell, Dhara Thompson and Jo White. Jo had passed her proxy vote to the Chair.

3. 2014 AGM

The Minutes of the AGM held on 7th October 2014 were received and noted. They were accepted unanimously as an accurate record of the meeting. There were no matters arising.

4. Annual Report 14/15

The Annual Report had been circulated prior to the meeting. SR said it had been a productive and successful year in terms of promoting the organisation to its existing members. Five new members had joined taking the total number to 57.

ND proposed that the report be accepted, this was seconded by BM. All were in favour.

5. Financial Report

The Treasurer reported that spend was within budget. Funds received totalled £6k - £3,300 from the Co-operative Enterprise Hub, £700 from CUK and £2,000 from Midcounties. He thanked them all for their continued support and confirmed that the Hub and CUK funding had now ceased. The year ended on a loss of £364 reducing reserves to £18,006.

Member Jo White had asked about the entry for £678 shown in the accounts. AS said this was a designated account for bursaries for members to attend events.

There were no questions from the floor so the Chair asked for the accounts to be accepted by the meeting. This was proposed by NB and seconded by BM. There were no objections.

The Chair thanked the Treasurer for his report.

6. Nomination of Board Members

The Chair reported that a nomination had been received from Brian Morley. His appointment was proposed by NB and seconded by GH. SR proposed Dhara Thompson be officially appointed to the Board following his co-option at an earlier meeting. This was seconded by NB and all were in favour.

The Chair confirmed that she and Graham Hammond resigned from the Board with effect from today. BM thanked them for the support they had given and for the assistance Sally had provided with organising the conferences. SR and GH thanked the Board for their kind words and gifts.

7. Any Other Business

GH confirmed that KO was appointed as Company Secretary with effect from today's meeting.

The Chair thanked the Treasurer for keeping the finances on track and confirmed he had agreed to stand until the end of this financial year. The Chair thanked her officers and Kathy for their work throughout the year. She wished the Board well and officially welcomed DT to the Board.

There was no further business and the Chair thanked everyone for attending and formally closed the AGM at 13.15.