

2007 AGM Minutes

Minutes of the 19th Annual General Meeting of ACCU
held on Saturday 14th April at the Paramount Hotel, Oxford

The Meeting commenced at 13:02, Jezx Higgins in the Chair, Alan Bellingham taking the minutes.

Approximately 75 members were in attendance.

1) Apologies for absence

No apologies had been received

2) Minutes of the 18th AGM

These were printed in leaflets handed out at the meeting.

Proposed: Ewan Milne
Seconded: David Hodge

Accepted unanimously

3) Matters arising

No matters arising

4) Reports

Chair report ()

Treasurer ()

Membership ()

USA Activities ()

Standards ()

5) Approval of accounts

Preliminary accounts for the year just closed were presented by Jez Higgins. Due to some confusion as to the exact meaning of the figures, there was much discussion on the accuracy of the figures. In the end, a motion was raised from the floor:

Motion: The society accepts the accounts as presented, subject to clarification of the figures.

Proposed: Russel Winder
Seconded: Mark Easterbrook

Accepted unanimously.

6) Appointment of auditor

The initial proposal to appoint Lawson Ward (rather than N Brisk and Co as in previous years) as auditor was declined by the membership. Instead, a different arrangement was reached, supported by the following motion from the floor:

Motion: The society instructs the committee to produce a document detailing the financial management of the association to the 2008 AGM.

Proposed: Francis Glassborow
Seconded: Ewan Milne

Accepted unanimously.

(As a note, though this was not in the formal motion, the document was not expected to exceed a side of A4.)

Motion: The committee should consider those constitutional changes that might be required in order to regularise the accounts.

Proposed: Francis Glassborow
Seconded: Tone Barrett-Powell

Accepted on a show of hands, by majority.

Motion: The society appoints Ewan Milne as auditor, to inspect the prepared accounts.

Proposed: Alan Griffiths
Seconded: Allan Kelly

Accepted unanimously.

The effect of this is that the society has now changed from requiring the treasurer to prepare the accounts, and then for them to be audited by a third party, to having the accounts prepared by a third party, and then audited by an independent member of the society.

7) Election of officers and committee

Officers as constitutionally listed

Chair	Jez Higgins	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Secretary	Alan Bellingham	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Treasurer	Stewart Brodie	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Membership Secretary	Mick Brooks	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Electronic Comms	Steve Dicks	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Publications Officer	John Merrells	
	Proposed by	Seconded by

Other committee members

Publicity	David Carter-Hitchen	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Advertising officer	Seb Rose	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Giovanni Asproni	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Tony Barrett-Powell	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Pete Goodliffe	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Paul Grenyer	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Tom Hughes	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Paul Johnson	
	Proposed by	Seconded by
Committee Member	Allan Kelly	
	Proposed by	Seconded by

Officers were elected unanimously in block. Other committee members were elected unanimously in block.

8) Award of Honorary Membership to David Hodge

In light of his work on behalf of the Association as Membership Secretary for ten years, it was proposed that David Hodge be awarded honorary life membership of this Association.

Proposed by Jez Higgins
Seconded by Alan Griffiths

Passed unanimously

9) Approval of an online handbook, visible to members only

The consensus from discussion is that this was acceptable, with the proviso that members be asked beforehand, and that members must be allowed to withhold their details.

Proposed by Peter Goodliffe
Seconded by Roger Orr

Passed unanimously

10) Other motions for which notice has been given.

No other motions had been moved.

11) Any other Annual General Meeting Business (To be notified to the Chair prior to the commencement of the Meeting).

No other business had been moved.

The business of the Meeting closed at 14:00