

ECSA Council Annual General Meeting

Minutes for 46th Annual General Meeting held in Malet Street, Birkbeck College, 25th April 2016	
Present: Kate Spencer (KS); Sally Little (SL); Gillian Glegg (GG); Axel Miller (AM); Martin Wilkinson (MW); Teresa Fernandes (TF); Clare Scanlan (CS); Anita Franco (AF); Reg Uncles (RU); Ross Brown (RB); Andrew Wither (AW); John Baugh (JB); Donald McLusky (DM)	
1. Apologies Apologies were received from: James Tempest(JT); Mike Best(MB); Mike Elliott (ME); Patrick Meire (PM); Jean-Paul Ducrotoy (JPD); Steve Mitchell (SM); Victor de Jonge (VJ); Karen Nicholson (KN); Geoff Millward (GM)	
2. Minutes of 45th AGM Agreed as a true record of the meeting following minor amendments.	
3. Secretary's report. Nothing out of the ordinary this year. We have reviewed tasks on Council with the aim to ensure all members have a specific purpose. Neville Jones a trustee for many years retired - our thanks for all his work and commitment to ECSA were sent by Kate Spencer. The current representative for our sponsor HR Wallingford, Richard Whitehouse, has stepped down but before leaving he arranged for his colleague, John Baugh, to take his place. We all welcome John to the Council. Grant applications last year; 10 for ECSA55 attendees, 2 other conference attendees – all awarded; November 2015 received 5 applications - awarded 3.	
4. Treasurer's report. MW tabled a report concerning the finances of the society (see dropbox). This year we have a surplus largely because we no longer pay for a paper Bulletin and post it to members. Our income is largely from subscriptions, investment income and donations. Expenditure has been on conference expenditure, stationary and councillor expenditures and grants awarded. Closing account £9199.82. Proposed by Axel Miller; seconded by Kate Spencer	
5. Report on conference organisation. SL reported that ECSA conferences had been successful and that there was an exciting future programme (see dropbox); 5 meetings planned to 2018; There was unfortunately no profit from ECSA55 but Elsevier covered any losses and are still willing to maintain our relationship for ECSA56. Preparations for ECSA56 are well underway with a very large number of abstracts submitted. Local meetings also working well – the one in Le Havre last year went very well and 3 others are planned. Thanks to Sally and her committee for the energy and commitment which is necessary to support this great programme.	

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Report accepted.	
<p>6. Membership secretary's report</p> <p>Increased membership this year - many of these are students who are now members for 3 years. It was noted that large meetings such as ECSA55 are very good for recruitment. The list of new members is available (see dropbox for report).</p> <p>Proposed by Kate Spencer; seconded by Gillian Glegg.</p>	
<p>7. Election of President.</p> <p>The President Kate Spencer was proposed for the second year as president by MW and seconded by DM. KS accepted role.</p>	
<p>8. Election of President Elect.</p> <p>Item removed from agenda – according to constitution this post is elected only once every three years. Axel Miller has two years to run.</p>	
<p>9. Elections to council – agreed the following</p> <p>Tim Jennerjhan elected as council member proposed by KS, seconded by AM. Alice Newton elected as council member proposed by SL, seconded by GG. Clare Scanlan elected as council member proposed by GG, seconded by KS. (Previously Clare was a sponsor representative for SEPA)</p>	
<p>10. Elections of Trustee</p> <p>Geoff Millward elected as trustee proposed by GG, seconded by KS.</p>	
<p>11. Election of Auditor</p> <p>Alastair Lyndon has indicated that he would be willing to remain as our auditor. He was proposed by AM; seconded by CS.</p>	
<p>11. Date of next meeting</p> <p>The AGM of the Association may be held as part of Poole meeting tentatively at 1700 on Monday the 15th May 2017.</p>	