



Annual General Meeting Minutes

15:00 Sunday 6th March 2016

The meeting was held in the Rik Medlik building of the University of Surrey during the UKSEDS National Student Space Conference 2015.

Attendance

A maximum of 48 members and a minimum of 45 members were in attendance. The exact number fluctuated throughout the meeting as some members had to leave.

Minutes

Minutes were taken by the Secretary, David Jones-Gerrard.

1. Committee Reports

- a. Joseph Dudley, as Chair, presented
- b. The winner of the twitter retweet competition was Tim Peake.
 - i. As Mr. Peake is an employee of ESA the award was given to the next highest retweet
- c. Outreach funding for next year increased to £4000 from Space for All
- d. Overview of events and projects, including careers events
- e. UKSEDS launched SpaceCareers.uk
- f. Discussion of partner organisations Euroavia, SGAC and BIS
- g. UKSEDS taking lead on developing european rocketry competition

2. Approval of the Accounts

- a. Ciara McGrath, as Treasurer, presented the accounts
- b. A question was raised about the excess income from the previous financial year
 - i. this has been held as a surplus in case of emergency
- c. A question was raised regarding accountability for project funds;
 - i. The rules for applying for funding was outlined
- d. A question was raised asking about the projects funding pool
 - i. Accounquts run November to November; the funds are allocated but not yet spent
- e. Vote: The accounts were approved unanimously.

3. Approval of minutes of 1st March 2015 AGM at University of Surrey

- a. Joseph Dudley, as Chair, presented the minutes of the 2015 AGM.
- b. Vote: The minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Motions

- a. *No motions were raised.*

5. Elections

- a. Joseph Dudley, as chair, presented the change to the Rules and Regulations regarding changing Officer roles to staff positions and increasing the size of the Executive committee to six
- b. The staff roles were then outlined to the attendees

- c. A question was raised regarding removing the elected committee and how that would result in reduced structure and accountability
 - i. It is expected that volunteers will be as responsible as previous officers
 - ii. The new structure allows greater flexibility and for each volunteer to tailor their workload
 - iii. Further, Exec positions will have management roles
 - iv. Joseph has promised not to become a megalomaniac
- d. *Uncontested Positions*
 - i. Chair
 - 1. Candidate: Joseph Dudley
 - 2. Vote: Joseph was elected unanimously.
 - ii. Vice Chair
 - 1. Candidate: Rob Garner
 - 2. Vote: Mr. Garner was elected unanimously.
 - iii. Treasurer
 - 1. Candidate: Ciara McGrath
 - 2. Vote: Ciara was elected unanimously.
 - iv. Secretary
 - 1. Candidate: David Jones-Gerrard
 - 2. Vote: David was elected unanimously.
 - v. At-Large Officers - Round 1
 - 1. Candidates: James Telfer, Portia Bowman
 - 2. Vote: James received a higher share of the votes, however this was not recorded due to a technical issue. There were no votes to reopen nominations
 - vi. At-Large Officers - Round 2
 - 1. Candidate: Portia Bowman
 - 2. Vote: Portia was elected unanimously.
- e. *Contested Positions*
 - i. There were no contested positions

6. Any Other Business

- a. A show of hands suggested that 28 of the attending members had signed up or intended to volunteer as staff
- b. The winner of the retweet competition was Heidi Theimann
- c. The winner of the impressions competition was a member from StrathSEDS.