



# UKSEDS AGM Minutes

15:15 Sunday 4th March 2018

The meeting was held in person at the National Student Space Conference 2018, Guildford  
Secretary: Karolina Nikolova

## PREVIOUS MINUTES

James presented the minutes of the previous meeting:

- Question about whether documents are available to read on our website - yes, they are.
- The minutes from the meeting were accepted unanimously.

## CHAIR'S PRESENTATION

James presented on the progress of UKSEDS including new achievements in all of the key areas of UKSEDS. More details on each area listed below.

## VOLUNTEERING

- Volunteer Team - 30 people listed.

## ACCOUNTS

Accounts were presented:

- Healthy banking position.
- Healthy income from the conference.
- Made a small loss last year, but this is not an indicator of the overall performance and we are not in overdraft. In addition, we also have ~£2000 to reclaim from companies, which are not included in the graph.
- Question posed on whether we should aim for a surplus - not necessarily.
- A suggestion was made on providing a full breakdown of income and expenditure for the next conference. Heidi went through the breakdown for this year in more detail.
- A suggestion was made that the breakdown of accounts is provided at the end of the financial year in December. And that the end of the financial year is made clear at the AGM next year.
- Accounts were approved unanimously.

## ANNUAL REPORT

- SpaceCareers.uk doing very well - advertised over 500 jobs since the website was set up. Recommendation on trying to upload more non-technical roles on the website where possible.

## **EVENTS AND COLLABORATION**

- Lunar Rover Competition - great success, Surrey rover won the competition (rover was at the SSC stand at the conference), sponsorship and mentoring from TAS was provided.
- RI Space Conference - went very well, approximately 100 people attended, will be happening again in the end of October in London.
- NSSC has gone very well so far, but we will know more from feedback.
- Student Propulsion Form - went great, looking to run it again on 21st April (date TBC)
- National Rocketry Championship - grows every year.
- SSPI collaboration - SSPI competition + our Chair is on SSPI's board.
- One of our trustees, Portia Bowman, is part of the Space Universities Network.
- Outreach programme has grown again - reached 7000 people, a bit less than last year, but this is partly due to no Farnborough where we reach a large number of people

## **ELECTIONS**

James gave an introduction of what is required to be on the Committee.

### **At-Large**

Nominees: Andrew Hughes, Sam Walton and William Silverthorne

First vote:

- Andrew 24 / Sam 4 / William 0 / RON 0
- Andrew elected

Second vote:

- Sam 22/ William 6 / RON 0
- Sam elected

### **Secretary**

Nominees: Áine O'Brien

- Áine was elected unanimously

### **Treasurer**

Nominees: Louise McCaul

- Louise was elected unanimously

### **Chair**

Nominees: Initially only RON. A vote to RON accepted unanimously.

New nominees: William Easdown, James Lynn, Aleksandra Marinova (staff) , Jing Rong  
Ryan Lim

William, James and Jing are not staff. Thus, votes on allowing non-staff members to stand for chair:

- William - unanimous
- James - unanimous
- Jing - unanimous

Votes on Chair Election (note: multiple rounds of voting were decided as the best option.

The people with least votes in each round were eliminated.):

- William 22 / James 1 / Aleksandra 2 / Jing 2 - James eliminated
- William 24 / Aleksandra 2 / Jing 1 - Jing eliminated
- William 24 / Aleksandra 2
- William elected

### **Vice-Chair**

Nominees: Initially only William Easdown had nominated himself. But he was elected for Chair, so had to hold a vote to RON. A vote to RON accepted unanimously.

New nominees: Prahalad Kuthethoor, Ben Cartwright, Nicholas, James Lynn, William Silverthorne, Aleksandra Marinova, Jing Rong Ryan Lim, Andrew Hughes (who was already elected for At-Large)

Votes on Vice-Chair Election (note: multiple rounds of voting were decided as the best option. The people with least votes in each round were eliminated.)

- Andrew 0 / Jing 0 / Aleksandra 0 / William 1 / James 1 / Nicholas 2 / Ben 2 / Prahalad 12 - Andrew, Jing, Aleksandra, William and James eliminated
- Nicholas 2 / Ben 3 / Prahalad 14 - Nicholas eliminated
- Ben 3 / Prahalad 14 - Ben eliminated
- Prahalad elected

### **AOB**

- Suggestion to set up a proper voting procedure for next time.
- James Lynn suggests that the Constitution should be changed to allow under 18 year olds to become members. Joseph Dudley points out that this is already in the new Constitution (a student club at a school can affiliate with UKSEDS, but a school and teacher led group cannot).
- A motion was tabled to change the phrasing in the branches section of the Constitution to make it more inclusive for apprentices.

AGM ended at 19:00.