

**Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of UKUUG Ltd.
held on Thursday 28th September 2006 at 6:15 p.m.
Lecture Theatre 2, Cruciform Building, UCL, Gower Street, London WC1E 6AE**

Present: Ray Miller - University of Oxford - Council Chairman
Sam Smith - Individual member - Council Treasurer
Alain Williams - Council
Andrew Findlay - Individual member
Werner Wiethage - Individual member
Howard Thomson - Individual member
Phil Hands - Individual member
Leslie Fletcher - Individual member
Robert Easthope - UKERNA
Roger Henry - Individual member
Derek Bush - Individual member
Richard Westlake - Individual member
Juan Ho - Individual member
John Pinner - Clockwork Software Systems

Secretary: Jane Morrison

Apologies: James Youngman, Mike Banahan, Alasdair Kergon, Jane Curry, John Collins,
Roger Whittaker, Charles Curran

One form of proxy received: James Youngman - vote to Sam Smith

Dr. Miller opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending and welcomed them to the meeting.

1. To approve the minutes of the fourteenth Annual General Meeting held on 22nd September 2005

It was proposed by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Hands and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 22nd September 2005, which had previously been circulated to all members, be approved.

2. To receive the Council's Report, Treasurer's Report and the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st December 2005, together with the reports thereon of the Auditors.

Copies of the Council's report were circulated to those present (see attached). Copies of the Treasurer's report were circulated to those present (see attached).

Copies of the year-end accounts to 31st December 2005 had previously been circulated with the Agenda.

Dr Miller highlighted a couple of points from the Council report.

Thanks was due to Roger Whittaker who was standing down at the AGM having served two terms of three years. A formal vote of thanks was given to Mr. Whittaker who not only had given time to UKUUG Council matters but had also taken up the role of Newsletter editor a few years ago and in fact has kindly agreed to continue in this role until a new editor is identified.

Dr. Miller added that Mr. Whittaker had been awarded an Honorary membership of UKUUG at the Council meeting held earlier that day.

Although the membership numbers appear stable there are a large number of members who choose not to renew each year, although a similar number of new members join each year.

In reply to a question from Mr. Westlake, Dr. Miller said there was a pattern that most lost members had

initially joined just to attend an event but then did not re-new their membership the following year. The tendency was to lose new members and not those who had been members for a longer period of time.

Dr. Miller reported that two Gold Sponsor members have been achieved this year (IBM & Novell). The majority of the income from Sponsor members is used to subsidise events and support activities such as open source advocacy.

Mr. Smith asked that those present look through the updated set of accounts that had been circulated at the meeting. He explained that there has been a slight change to the accounts that were circulated along with the AGM notice etc. The updated accounts can be found now on the UKUUG web site at: <http://www.ukuug.org/events/agm2006/UKUUGreviseddraft2005acs260906.pdf>

The updated accounts have been approved by Council at the meeting earlier today. The figures have been changed by the auditors as follows: Audit £1,100 instead of £1,116 (change of £16) and Depreciation - £120 instead of £245 (change of £125). The total difference being is £141. This means that that Expenditure is reduced from £76,672 to £76,531 thereby reducing the loss to £2,303 instead of £2,444 which thereby increases the overall profit for the year from £2,522 to £2,663 (difference of £141).

There were no questions appertaining to the reports or the updated accounts and it was therefore proposed by Dr. Findlay, seconded by Mr. Hands that the Council's report, Treasurer's report and the accounts of the Company for the year-end 31st December 2005, together with the reports thereon of the Auditors, be approved. This was carried unanimously.

3. To re-appoint the Auditors, Critchleys, Greyfriars Court, Paradise Square, Oxford OX1 1BE until the conclusion of the next general meeting of the Company at which the accounts are laid before the members, and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

It was proposed by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Thomson and unanimously agreed to re-appoint Critchleys as auditors.

4. To consider elections to Council from the Nominations received.

As detailed in the AGM letter to members Dr. Miller confirmed that Roger Whittaker is leaving Council, Dean Wilson stood down during the year and as Council is allowed eight members in total, this year we have three vacant places.

Three nominations have been received. Phil Hands nominated by Alain Williams, Howard Thomson nominated by Sam Smith and John Pinner nominated by Mike Banahan. There were no objections to these three nominations and it was unanimously agreed to accept them all.

To confirm the new Council is as follows: ***Ray Miller, Sam Smith, Mike Banahan, Alain Williams, John Collins, Howard Thomson, Phil Hands and John Pinner.***

5. To transact any other business

There was no other business to transact and Dr. Miller closed the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

The AGM was followed by a presentation by Leslie Fletcher, UKUUG Spokesperson, on his activities relating to APOSG (All-Party Parliamentary Open Source Group). This presentation can be found at: <http://www.ukuug.org/events/agm2006/leslie.pdf>

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