# BEB BCS

THE BRITISH COMPUTER SOCIETY

# Minutes of the South Yorkshire Branch ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Held at** 6.15 pm on Thursday 21 May 2009 **in** Stoddart Building, Arundel Gate, Sheffield Hallam University

#### Present

Mr N Bizzell, N Dibben, M Beer Other BCS Members: 17

#### 1. Apologies

S Hartley, A Smallwood

# 2. Minutes of meeting of 15th May 2008

Accepted

# 3. Chairman's Report

To follow by 12 June, with apologies from outgoing Chair.

#### 4. Treasurer's Report

Mr M Beer's assessment prior to BCS HQ providing accounts for the year: we have so far under spent as a result of arranging three low cost meeting - one on an alternative venue, 2 visits. We expect to have an out turn of approximate £3200 from our budget of £4238. For next year our allocation is £4600 plus £380 for prizes. We expect to spend up to this. The change to the financial year is likely to act to our benefit.

We are arranging to help fund a Linux event by the Sheffield Linux user group - funds for this will come from HQ budgets set aside for such special events.

#### 5. Comments from Members from the Floor

There were none.

#### 6. Election of Officers for 2009/2010

The three officers recommended by the outgoing committee:

Chairman: Mr S Hartley
Treasurer: Mr M Beer
Secretary: Mr N Dibben

And were duly elected.

#### 7. Election of Committee Members

The following offered themselves for re-election to the committee and were elected:

A Smallwood, N Bizzell

Note the following are existing members of the committee who do not come up for election till 3 years after their last election date (in brackets)

L Webb (2007), G Whitelaw (2007), C Gray (2007)

C Smythe (2008), C Brookes (2008), M Green (2008), N Bizzell (2008) Lucian Tipi (2008)

#### 8. Co-option onto Committee

The Officers of the committee wished to co-opt Mr D Rotherham, IT Foundry, onto the committee, which was agreed.

#### 9. Change to BCS year

The BCS year has been changed from May to end April, to September to end August. We are asked to hold our AGM soon after the closure of the financial year. Currently our branch does not hold a meeting in September, so our draft proposal is to hold the AGM at the same time as our first meeting in October. We are expecting HQ guidance on this and will inform members of the final date when we know it.

The BCS is starting a transformation process, the subject of a members convention where attendees were briefed. Our representatives through the BMC have been consulted. There will be a formal announcement on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

# 10. Any Other Business

There was no other business, and the meeting closed at 6.35 pm

#### 11. Date of next AGM

# Thursday 21st October 2010 approx 6.15 pm

Note of attendance at Meetings 2008/2009

Month	Total	Members	Non-Members	Notes
October	42	27	15	# we expect a small
November	25	15	10	meeting in December
December#	12	10	2	* many non members
January*	39	20	19	from NHS present
February@	25	13	12	•
March	47	27	20	@ Visit with cap on
April@	13	10	3	numbers: 40 max in Feb,
May	52	20	32	12 max in April
Total	255	142	113	

#### **BCS South Yorkshire Committee members and 3 year cycle for elections:**

Name	Date last elected	Date to re-elect	Role
Martin Beer	Officer	<b>Every Year</b>	Treasurer
Steve Hartley	Officer	<b>Every Year</b>	Chair
Nick Dibben	Officer	Every year	Secretary
Colin Brookes	May 2008	May 2011	Professional Liaison
Colin Smythe	May 2008	May 2011	Meetings
Matt Green	May 2008	May 2011	_
Neil Bizzell	May 2009	May 2012	
Anna Smallwood	May 2009	May 2012	
Dave Rotherham	Co-optee	Every Year	Venues
Chris Gray	May 2007	May 2010	Web
Gavin Whitelaw	May 2007	May 2010	YPG
Louise Webb	May 2007	May 2010	PR
Lucian Tipi	May 2008	May 2011	