## Annual General Meeting of the Hereford & Worcester Branch of the BCS 24th November 2022 Room EE1057, Worcester University

**Present :** Adrian Cobley (Treasurer), Chris Wheeler (Secretary), Keith Buncle (Education Liaison), David Workman (Industrial Liaison) and 4 other members.

- 1. **Welcome:** Adrian Cobley welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. **Apologies:** Richard Henson, Martin Farkas, Derek Barnes
- 3. **Minutes of 2019 AGM:** Available on the website and copy available during the meeting. These were accepted as a correct record.
- 4. **Chairman's Report:** Delivered by Adrian in Richard's absence. Due to Covid this is the first AGM since 2019.
  - We had a talk after the last AGM by Tim Charrot, CIO of IASME Consortium, spoke on Building a Community SOC.
  - The next talk planned in March 2020 was cancelled due to Covid.
  - Future meetings may be at other locations.
- 5. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer passed on a notice that the BCS is having to tighten it's belt, and reducing branch spend, reducing catering for free events. Groups might want to engage in sponsorships to increase funds.

Treasurer went through the budget process.

Budget 2019-20 Requested £2990, Allocated £2243, Spent £729 Budget 2020-21 Requested £2990, Allocated £2223, Spent £300 Budget 2021-22 Requested £2990, Allocated £2223, Spent £372 Budget 2022-23 Requested £4640, Allocated £1355

We asked for higher value to support 6 rather than 4 events. Room hire, refreshments, speakers expenses and sponsorship was significantly reduced. Student prizes are now centrally handled, by the BCS Communities group.

Stephen Tippen the latest recipient could not attend today.

## 6. Election of Committee Officers:

The new committee was unanimously agreed as:

- Chair: David Workman (proposed Adrian Cobley, seconded Keith Buncle)
- Treasurer: Adrian Cobley (proposed David Workman, seconded Keith Buncle)
- Secretary: Martin Farkas (proposed Chris Wheeler, seconded David Workman)
- Education Liaison: Keith Buncle (proposed David Workman, seconded Chris Wheeler)

- Committee without portfolio: Richard Stevens, David Wright (proposed David Workman, seconded Keith Buncle)
- 7. **AOB:** Do we have access to eLearning sources? There are some online resources in BCS. David Workman is going to talk to BCS about this. Some good courses on LinkedIn.

We should keep a stock of BCS brochures to make available during meetings.

Following the AGM Keith Buncle of Midlands West Teach Computing Hub delivered a presentation, 10 Years on from 'ICT in Schools'