

1. Welcome, present and apologies

- Andy welcomed everyone.
- Present: Andy, Jonathan, Jeremy, Fred, Paul, and Michael
- Apologies: John, Neil, and Rob

Andy had contacted Neil and John who haven't been able to attend recently.

2. Actions from previous meeting

Andy reviewed the outstanding tasks in basecamp. The task owners provided clarification or updates as needed.

- a. Andy confirmed that one person has expressed and interested in joining the committee and would looking after social media.
- b. We have also had two people interested in volunteering for the STEM group.
- c. We still need to fill the Early Careers and Equality & Diversity officer. Jeremy suggested leveraging LinkedIn into broaden our reach, and perhaps discuss this with Rob who may have contacts that may be able to support us.
- d. Andy asked how to arrange a BCS certificate for the USW awards, Jeremy suggested he contact the BCS headquarters team who would be able to provide these.
- e. Paul, hasn't been able to contact John re: History of Computing, owing to availability
- f. Andy confirmed he would provide the information for the October event once was agreed.
- g. Paul has planned to attend the event for the new Fellowship process later this month and would provide an update to the group.

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3. Update from Branch Chair

3.1. BCS Bursary Scheme

- a. Andy, was able to attend one of the two training session to be able to coach, but isn't able to attend the second. He hoped to be fully qualified soon. Having completed the STEM application.
- b. Michael couldn't attend these sessions. However, he would arrange and invite for any future events.

4. Update from Mid-Wales Branch Chair

- a. Fred mentioned the last event, for 'teaching children coding' was interesting, but wasn't very well attended.
- b. Fred is expecting a to be able to have an event in the medium of Welsh later in November 2022, which we could be involved with.

5. Update from Branch Treasure

- a. Jonathan hadn't received any feedback or comments on the budget from BCS HQ.
- b. Andy thought he and Jonathan should meet in September to discuss the next budget.

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6. Update on Early Careers and Equality & Diversity Liaison

- a. Andy, agreed to progress this over the coming months.

7. Update from STEM Outreach Working Group

- a. Paul discussed the current events; Sian has suggested some ideas for improvements.
- b. The recent increase in the number of Covid cases, may mean these need to be rescheduled.

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8. History of Computing

- a. This is pending the agreement on the grant.
- b. Jeremy has committed to review his documents that may be useful, once he is able to.

9. Update from Events Coordinator

9.1. Overall Plan

- a. Jeremy provided an update on the speaker for the AGM, who has just received agreement from his employer. He also provided a talk a few years ago to the group.
- b. The committee discussed if the AGM should be in person or online, given the current Covid infection rate. Andy also suggested that the video AGM would be easier to organise if this was an online event. Michael asked if last year's AGM had more attendees when it was online. We also discussed the implications on catering for an online event.
- c. Paul, asked about the next joint IET meeting, on the 15 September, which Jeremy will confirm the details soon.
- d. We need to consider and confirm the events and themes for 2023.
- e. Paul, asked for ideas for the joint IET we need to lead on in 2023. Jeremy provided some suggestions for the more physical side of computing. Jeremy mentioned the UK satellite launch in Sept from Cornwall, Andy mentioned a Cardiff company called Space Forge, who are involved in this.
- f. Andy suggested sending a poll to the membership for events they may be interested in or be willing and able to provide.

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10. Any Other Business

- a. NA

11. Date of Next Meeting

NB The next meeting's date was confirmed as 3 August 2022.

12. Resources

- Member data [Microsoft Power BI](#).
- Branch [basecamp](#).
- Branch [website](#).
- Branch [linkedin](#).
- BCS [Discourse](#)



- BCS Organisation Membership [site](#).
- Welsh Senedd Shaping Wales Future consultation [link](#).
- STEM [site](#).

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