THE BRITISH COMPUTER SOCIETY
SOUTH WALES BRANCH

The sixth meeting of the 2002/3 committee of the South Wales Branch will take place on: -
    Date Tuesday 4th March 2003
    Time   18.00 hrs.
    Venue County Hall, Cardiff

AGENDA

113.6.1 - APOLOGIES
Officers unable to attend in person should brief a proxy or report in writing.

113.6.2 - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

113.6.3 - MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

113.6.4 - CORRESPONDENCE

113.6.5 - BRANCH REPORTS
    Membership Secretary's Report: N. Cox to review current membership movement and trends.
    Treasurer's Report: S. Harvey to review finances, highlighting progress and current predictions.
    Chairman's report: Review of Committee appointments:
    Branches Board/Council Report: No officer in post.
    YPG: J. Mullins to report on YPG activities.
    Schools: No officer in post.

113.6.6 - 2002/2003 EVENTS PROGRAMME
    Discussion of the new guidance procedures for this role.

    Review progress against future meetings
        September   Derrick
        October   Richard
        November   Daniel

113.6.7 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

113.6.8 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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<p align="center">**Minutes of the fourth meeting of the 2002-2003 Session of the**
Committee of the South Wales Branch
Wednesday 20th November 2002
County Hall, Cardiff</p>

PRESENT
P. Bulmer (chair), K. Potter (minutes),
N. Cooper, D. Smith, D. Cunliffe, J. White, R. David, S. Harvey, R. Miller and J. Mullins.

112.5.1 - APOLOGIES
Noel and Ted.

112.5.2 - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
These were approved.

112.5.3 - MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES
None.

112.5.4 - CORRESPONDENCE
Ken has received the new Careers leaflets, 6 of them, which replaces the Ivanhoe guide. Ralph , Richard and Daniel have requested more copies which have to come from HQ.

112.5.5- BRANCH REPORTS
Membership Secretary's Report: Noel rang Paul and said that he had received application forms for assessors from Daniel, Jason and Nathan and asked for Richard to fill in his form so that he can process the forms together.   Action **Richard**

Treasurer's Report: Steve said that we have spent £1200 and that we have £1500 left . He mentioned about the changes proposed to centralise signing of cheques. He suggested that they were impractical and prone to delay. The committee was unanimous in agreeing that the changes are not workable. Paul has been asked to convey our feelings to HQ and also ask that further changes are notified to the branch for comments.

Chairman's Report: Nathan Cooper has been co-opted onto the committee.
Tony Batchelor from WS Atkins was introduced to the committee. He will be invited to the next meeting

Branches Board/Council Report: Ralph related his experience as a candidate to be the Branches Board Representative and how despite being the only official nominee he was not given the opportunity to be elected. He said that the whole process was very unprofessional and reflected badly on the BCS. Paul has been asked to contact HQ and express our displeasure.
Action **Paul.**

YPG: Jason said that the Programming Competition has been advertised via the web site. Nathan has agreed to help him give the YPG activities further impetus.

Schools: No officer in post

112.5.6 - EVENTS PROGRAMME

2002
Jeremy commented on the Virtual Railway meeting saying it was excellent and also giving a hand-out to committee members.

February meeting Extreme Programming speaker has been confirmed and is an expert on the topic. Roger Stein is the new BCS contact for Swansea and has been in touch about the meeting. He has replied with the details Roger requested.

April meeting no speaker confirmed yet.

2003

Jeremy said that most meetings would be on the second week of each month with same venues as this year.

Derek suggested a talk on the role of CIOs in SMEs. The possible speaker is from The Stock Exchange. Although everyone liked this topic some felt that it would be better to make this a whole day seminar possibly with a keynote speech in the evening. Other possible topics are Identity Cards and AI, which is the topic Derek gave as a previous talk a few years ago.

Jason has a colleague who can do a war simulation.

 After discussion the following was agreed

September	Derrick	CIOs in SMEs
8th October	Richard	Linux if speaker can be found
13thNovember	Daniel	Gathering the jewels - digitising all cultural items in Wales with speaker who is colleague of

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