

# Annual General Meeting 2013/2014 Minutes

### Held on Monday 22nd September 2014

## Internet Specialist Group

#### Attendees;

- + Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP (Chairman)
- Colin Pearson MBCS CITP (Treasurer)
- Christopher East MBCS (Honorary Secretary)
- ✦ Jennifer Dean MBCS
- Shi Zhou MBCS
- ✦ Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP

Apologies Received From;

Neil Pellinacci MBCS CITP

#### 1. Adoption of last year's minutes

*[Howard Gerlis]* The minutes from the 2012/2013 annual general meeting were proposed by Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP, this proposal was seconded by Shi Zhou MBCS. No questions were raised regarding the minutes by either committee members or BCS members who were in attendance at the meeting.

#### 2. Chairman's report for 2013/2014

*[Howard Gerlis]* This year, we invited speakers to give presentations on multiple different topics, and even managed to get in a visit to the Sovereign Data Centre in Cockfosters, London. I would like to thank the Sovereign Data Centre for their excellent tour.

Topics covered by other presentations included;

- The changing role of IT in the digital era.
- Scaling up to preserve the UK web.
- BYOE: Bring Your Own 'Everything'
- OpenStack and the future of open source cloud.

We are finishing our year with a presentation entitled "Connecting with customers: Cloud, Big Data, and Machine Learning". The presentation is scheduled to start shortly after this AGM finishes. We are fortunate enough to have this topic presented by Richard Conway of Elastacloud. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Richard for coming this evening and sharing his valuable insight on this topic. The full chairman's report was proposed by Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP, and seconded by Shi Zhou MBCS.

#### 3. Treasurer's report for 2013/2014

[Colin Pearson] I have provided a copy of the provisional figures for the finances for the Internet Specialist Group for this year to everyone who is interested in viewing them, and a copy of the financial report is available on our website for those who wish to view it at a later date.

The actual finances are handled by the BCS head office, this year, we received a subsidy of £180.00 in addition to the funds raised from normal group activities.

No questions were raised regarding the treasurer's report by either committee members or BCS members who were in attendance at the meeting.

#### 4. Charging for buffet and non-members attendees

*[Colin Pearson]* In July 2014, we trialled the use of charges for our events at varying levels, which seems to have worked well, and we have used the same charges again tonight. I propose that the following charges are applied to all presentations moving forward;

#### Without Buffet

- Existing BCS members: FREE
- Students: FREE
- Non-members: £10.00 (plus VAT at 20%, £12.00)

#### With Buffet

- BCS members: £5.00 (plus VAT at 20%, £6.00)
- Students: £5.00 (plus VAT at 20%, £6.00)
- Non-members: £15.00 (plus VAT at 20%, £18.00)

This was proposed by Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP, and seconded by Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP.

#### 5. Adoption of committee member roles

All existing members of the committee have been nominated to be re-elected within their current positions. The three named positions within the committee are proposed and seconded separately, and the remaining committee members are re-elected en-masse.

#### Chairman

Individual Nominated: Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP Proposed by: Colin Pearson MBCS CITP Seconded by: Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP

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#### Treasurer

Individual Nominated: Colin Pearson MBCS CITP Proposed by: Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP Seconded by: Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP

#### Honorary Secretary

Individual Nominated: Christopher East MBCS Proposed by: Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP Seconded by: Shi Zhou MBCS

*[Howard Gerlis]* Is there anyone who has attended this AGM who is interested in getting involved with our committee?

No response was received. After this, the en-masse election of the remaining committee members took place as follows;

#### Committee (Elected En-Masse)

Individuals Nominated;

- Randy Perkins-Smart MBCS CITP
- Shi Zhou MBCS
- Jennifer Dean MBCS
- Neil Pellinacci MBCS CITP

Proposed by: Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP Seconded by: Colin Pearson MBCS CITP

#### 6. Any Other Business

No other questions or queries were raised before or during the AGM. Once again, as his first act as chairman, Howard Gerlis FBCS CITP asked those who attended the AGM if they had any questions which they would like to have answered relating to the Internet Specialist Group.

With no further matters to discuss, the meeting was closed at 18:19 on Monday 22nd September 2014.