



ELITE Committee Meeting

Thursday 2 March 16:00 – 1800

Attendees

Ibukum Adebayo IA
Dalim Basu DB
Jon Hall JoH (Chair)
Jacqui Hogan JH
John McCarthy JM
James McCafferty JMC
Bryan Mills BM
Shakeeb Niazi SN
David Tidey DT
Chris Tiernan CT
Steve Burrows SB (teleconference)
Paul Excell (joined the meeting at 17h10)
Dianne Geldenhuis DiG (*note-taker*)

1. Previous minutes and matters arising – All
The minutes were approved with no redactions (a few minor errors need to be corrected). The electronic AGM was a success. For the committee elections, it was noted that some people were able to vote twice but it was probably not significant enough of a problem to invest time and effort to resolve. Perhaps instances of double voting could be recorded in the future to see how much of an issue it was. The recording of meetings was also raised and John McCarthy and Jacqui Hogan agreed to meet the new BCS office manager to discuss options. **Action** John Mc and Jacqui
2. Chair's report
The Chair reported that it had been a fairly slow start to the year but there had been two regional events. Elite members had also contributed to a Big Data OU survey, the outcomes of which would be available to our members. The Chair said he had spoken to Adam Thilthorpe about Elite membership being part of the BCS membership offering but nothing had yet come of this. Our members were invited to contribute to the SFIAplus 6 update. The Chair also reported he had been invited to contribute to a WCIT led ethics survey. **Action** Comments and contributions to the survey welcomed by all
3. Membership Report
Chris Tiernan reported that most people applying for membership are new FBCS. He updated the Committee on the European organisation called EuroCIO which is comparable to Elite. Their membership fee is 10,000 Euros pa. It does seem to be commercially based however all their members would likely be eligible to join Elite. One option is that ELITE could offer them free membership. The payback could be

that they offer us a newsfeed. The Committee agreed that we should not join EuroCIO but Chris will have further communications with them about them notifying their members that they are eligible to join ELITE. **Action** Chris Tiernan

4. Treasurer's Report

David Tidey reiterated that we have a base budget of just over £2k and that there was a separate pot to bid for regional events which was ring-fenced to fund regional events. Most of the budget was still available so there was potential to do a big event. A big speaker and a big venue would be ideal. **Action** Committee to give this some thought. James McCafferty would enquire about using the BT tower. Ibukun Adebayo said she knew the BT CEO Gavin Patterson and would ask if he would speak at the event. **Action** IA / JMC. It was agreed that after the election we need to make contact with the person tasked to be the government Digital Champion.

5. Regional Report – This has been covered above.

6. Upcoming Events

Dalim Basu has a North London Branch meeting coming up and it was agreed he would extend the invite to all Elite members. Ibukun and Jacqui had been in discussion around the publicity of our events. Members were reminded to keep Jacqui informed of any forthcoming events and to give thought in particular to any events post September. The distinction between the two roles is that events coming that need publicity come through Jacqui who will feed into Ibukun so she can promote on LinkedIn and provide copy for the website. Pam Fegan updates the website. **Action** Jon will check the mechanism/authorisation required for LinkedIn mailshots for events. **Action** all to provide post-September ideas for events to Jacqui.

7. Update from recent BCS Council meeting

James McCafferty reported on the latest Council meeting which had been focussed on Council providing input to the new BCS Strategy. Council had agreed there would be a voluntary self-certification question in the next membership survey on gender, age etc. to start building some diversity statistics.

8. Succession Planning

The modus operandi for Boards/Committees is that the Vice Chair is the Chair Elect which gives a degree of continuity. It was proposed to follow a more orderly system of planned succession. This motion was carried unanimously.

9. Spring Convention for member groups

This takes place on 12 March. Dalim Basu, Shakeeb Niazi and James McCafferty will be attending.

10. Discussion on Website stats

It was agreed to hold an electronic discussion to take this forward. **Action** Steve Burrows will send an email to kick-start the debate.

11. Mentorship

Shakeeb Niazi and Paul Excell from Entrepreneur group joined the meeting to present to the Committee on how BCS Elite can help to promote, connect, engage and inspire entrepreneurship and that helping new talent was a great way for BCS to be involved. It was agreed to keep the conversation going. There are linkages already, e.g. with Jacqui's mentoring work.

12. Any Other Business

Membership of the Elite Committee was raised as there are a number of Committee members not participating at all.

Elite don't have 'three strikes and you are out' in their constitution, as is the model for most other Boards and Committees. **Action** Jon to continue to contact those committee members to ask what their position is. Also to look into when said members would naturally roll off the Committee which might solve the problem.

The next meeting will be held on 3 June 2015.

NEW ACTIONS

ALL	All to feedback to Jon on WCIT ethics survey	
ALL	All to think of prestigious speaker for major event in August	
ALL	All to keep Jacqui in the loop when organising events	
ALL	All to provide post-September ideas for events to Jacqui	
Steve	Steve to start email debate on web content	
Jon	Jon to contact those committee members who are regularly not attending meeting to see if they mean to continue.	
James and Ibukun	To investigate potential for BT CEO event at the BT Tower	
Chris	Chris will communicate with Euro CIO re their members joining ELITE	
Jon	Jon will check the mechanism/authorisation required for LinkedIn mailshots for events.	

CARRIED OVER ACTIONS (ALL OTHERS DISCHARGED)

John Mc and Jacqui	To look into hosting a live recording at BCS offices	
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