



Minutes of the BCS North Staffordshire Branch Annual General Meeting held at Staffordshire University in Stoke-on-Trent on Tuesday 22nd October 2019 from 8.00pm to 9pm.

353.0 Present

Richard Hall (RH), Chris Snee (CS), Charlie Houston-Brown (CHB), Jonathan Westlake (JW), Ian Sunley (IS), Colin Pearson (CP), 4 non-committee members.

353.1 Absent with apologies

Chris Richardson. The branch members express sincere thanks for the service given by Chris as Chair, Secretary and committee member in the past.

353.2 Approval of Minutes from Previous Committee Meeting

The minutes were accepted as a true record with no amendments required.

353.3 Matters Arising

(none)

353.4 Chair's Report – CHB

First report as Branch Chairman. Report available in Basecamp Docs and Files.

CHB summarised the activity of the branch during the season 2018/2019 highlighting the event held in March at Keele and the trip to TMOC in June.

He thanked the Committee members for continuing to support the Branch over the last year.

353.5 Treasurer's Report – CS

- A spreadsheet of the accounts for 2018/2019 (as of August 2019) was distributed and walked through.
- Any sponsorship expense for the forthcoming year will need to be submitted as a special projects fund. CHB pointed out that this included Staffs Uni Gradex and Computer Science in Schools Conference. JCW agreed to contact Staffs Uni to mention that sponsorship is not guaranteed.

353.6 Election of Officers

Standing Down:

- Secretary– Chris Richardson
- Committee – Richard Hall

Election Results:

Chair: William (Charlie) Houston-Brown (unanimous)

Vice Chair and Secretary Jonathan Westlake (re-election - unanimous)

Treasurer: Chris Snee (re-election - unanimous)

Committee Members: Colin Pearson, Ian Sunley, Tim Chapman, Bappaditya Mandal to continue plus 3 new committee members, Richard Gosling, Kevin Taylor and Ivailo Chakarov.

353.7 2019/2020 Programme

- Fujitsu cyber security team have offered to run an event. The Chair (CHB) would contact the Fujitsu team to confirm availability and a date.
- The Student Papers competition is planned for March 2020 and discussions with Staffordshire and Keele University is underway.
- Attendance at the HCI conference in June 2020 at Keele University is also being planned.
- Next event is in December at Keele University.

353.8 AoB

There was no other business to report.

353.9 Next Meeting

The next committee meeting would be mid-December (TBC) at Keele University.

