

Minutes of the 64th Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday 26th October 2023

Venue: Online

- The AGM opened at 17:30
- The meeting was attended by 9 BCS members; 4 of these were current committee members.
- Dan Toms opened and chaired the AGM.
- Attendees included: Dan Toms, Chris Cahill, Chineye, Gounaris JHS, Mark Baker, Anne Jackson, Nick Seddon and an anonymous member.

Agenda:

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. Minutes of the 2022 AGM

- Reviewed and all actions relating to that meeting were address.
- Meeting minutes were proposed by Chris Delee.

3. Matters Arising

The Chair extended thanks for the following:

- Head Office for their ongoing support including Mandy Bauer.
- AND Digital for hosting events on their premises.
- New members that have joined the Committee this year: Sanjay Paul, Dorcas Ibegbu and Ruth Onia.

4. Chairman's Report:

- The Chair mentioned that the number of events has increased from previous years with very good attendance at each one.

Branch events held 2022 to 2023:

- An Introduction to Responsible AI - 26th July 2023
- An evening with BCS Women in Tech and AND Digital Let's Talk Mobile - 8th June 2023
- Sustainability in Professional Life - 22nd February 2023
- 11 Pragmatic Tips for Implementing New Emerging Technologies - 26th October 2022.

Branch events held/planned 2023 to 2024:

- No Inertia Here! Isaac Computer Science - Accelerating Closing the Digital Skills Gap - 20th September 2023.
- Empathy & Inclusion in Professional Life - 26th October 2023
- Career Development and Organisation Structure - 8th November 2023
- A planned series of Lightning Talks in December - date to be agreed.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Budget: £799.62
- Spend: £314.13 for the event held at the AND offices in June.
- Final underspend: £485.49
- Chris Delee mentioned a budget of £1000 for 2023 to 2024 with a risk of some overspend given the plan to host an event a month.

6. Election of Officers

- **Chair:** Dan Toms was proposed by Chris Delee, seconded by Chris Cahill
- **Treasurer:** Chris Delee was proposed by Dan Toms, seconded by Chris Cahill.
- **Secretary:** Julie Goodison-Kinder was proposed by Dan Toms, seconded by Chris Delee.
- **Inclusion Officer:** Amit Bhagwat was proposed by Dan Toms, seconded by Chris Delee.
- **Early Careers:** role remains open.

7. Committee Members

- **Chair** – Daniel Toms
- **Treasurer** – Chris Delee
- **Secretary** – Julie Goodison-Kinder
- **Inclusion Officer** – Amit Bhagwat
- **Committee Members:** Jade Broadhead, Sanjay Paul, Dorcas Ibegbu and Ruth Onia.

8. Any Other Business

- A link to the BCS email address was shared as an avenue for new members to join the Committee.