

Minutes of the British APL Association EGM held at 5 Southampton St on Thursday 19th June 2008

The chairman opened the meeting at 1:30.

The secretary reported that he had counted the votes cast by midnight on 16th June 2008 and that the resolution proposed by the committee had been approved by an overwhelming majority of 184 to 1. The resolution below was therefore passed.

The British APL Association resolves as follows:

1. *The affiliation of the Association to the British Computer Society as a Specialist Group is to be terminated.*

2. *The Regulations of the Association are to be modified as follows:*

(a) Paragraphs 2, 11a, 11d, 11e and 13 are deleted.

(b) Paragraph 11b is to be amended to read: "The Association shall maintain a Current Account with a UK Clearing Bank. The Committee shall be empowered to place funds in investment accounts."

3. *The Chairman is to write to the British Computer Society informing them of this change and thanking them for their administrative assistance in the years since the Association first became affiliated to the British Computer Society.*

4. *The Treasurer is to recover the Association's funds from the British Computer Society and deposit the funds according to Regulation 11b.*

The chairman said that the committee would now inform the BCS and make appropriate arrangements.

The chairman closed the meeting at 1:40

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1 Minutes of the AGM 2007 (as published in Vector and distributed to those attending) were approved nem com – proposed S J Taylor sec A J Camacho

2 The Chairman (Paul Grosvenor) reported that the committee had had to deal with the changes made by the BCS and had proposed a resolution, that we should separated from the BCS, which had been (as just announced) overwhelmingly supported by members. Now we have to carry out the work we resolved to do.

3 The treasurer (Nicholas Small) circulated summary accounts and explained some of the details. He reported that we have 290 individual members, though the BCS has failed to charge some of them for current membership. The accounts and membership report were accepted nem con – prop A J Camacho Sec Jane Sullivan

4 The chairman proposed that the 2007-8 committee should be re-elected for 2008-9 and this was agreed nem con – prop Richard Nabavi sec Chris Hogan The

committee for 2008/2009 is therefore;

Chairman	Paul Grosvenor
Secretary	Anthony Camacho
Treasurer	Nicholas Small
Vector Editor	Stephen Taylor
Activities	Ray Cannon
Education	Alan Mayer
Projects	Ian Clark

5 Chris Hogan agreed to be proposed and was appointed auditor.

6 Richard Nabavi said that the regulations would need more changes than had been made by the resolution. The chairman asked him to make a suggested draft. Anthony Camacho offered to help.

7 Questions were then invited from the floor and three were asked;

What is happening to the BAA funds held by BCS?

Paul responded that the BAA would be making all efforts to recover any funds from BCS over the coming days but for the purposes of budgeting and running the association the committee was assuming a starting point of £0.

The regulations state that the EGM should be held in May (item 9a).

Paul agreed that this was the normal position however in the light of the EGM requiring 4 weeks notice it had been decided to slip proceedings by 1 month to allow due process.

Would the BAA be holding a conference as previously planned?

Paul responded that in principle, yes, but this would depend upon the finances of the group over the coming months. It may be that a somewhat simpler format may need to be considered but this would be reviewed nearer the time.

As, when we are finally separated from the BCS, the association will again become a partnership with the committee as partners Anthony Camacho said that there is a company (APL Projects Ltd) that was formed in 1987 and has never traded that could be available for the association to use when it wished to undertake some activity for which a limited liability is required.

The meeting was closed at 14:19

Anthony Camacho, Hon Sec

Minutes of the BAA committee meeting of 19 June 2008

Prior to the EGM and AGM a short and informal meeting was held by the committee to discuss various issues arising from the announcements to be made later.

Specific points raised (in no particular order) were;

Nicholas had investigated various bank options for the BAA and decided that the best was to open a Barclays Community Account. It was agreed he should proceed.

Paul Grosvenor, Richard Nabavi and Stephen Taylor would negotiate the return of funds to BAA from BCS.

The membership would be informed of the agreed changes by internet and an insert placed into Vector 23.3 which was due to go out any day now. Paul Grosvenor and Stephen Taylor would write the insert.

Issue 23.4 of Vector is expected to be published in September (suitably modified to exclude BCS logo etc.). We would then issue subscription renewals to our members covering the membership year 1st May 2008 to 30th April 2009. This would give Nicholas plenty of time to arrange our bank account and put in place a mechanism to receive credit card payments.

Our current fee structure would remain unchanged but may be reviewed later in the year.

As Vector articles now appear promptly on the Web, before they appear in print, we would consider printing two, larger, issues per year rather than the current 4, so reducing costs.

Richard Nabavi and Anthony Camacho agreed to propose new regulations.

We discussed the possibility of printing an additional publication this year along the lines of an "APL Hints and Tips". (It was suggested to prepare a collection of the *At Play With J* articles first.) Dynamic functions and invite a number of APLers to provide some short articles on "hints and tips". This will continue to be investigated.

Paul Grosvenor

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