

Minutes of the 4th Annual General Meeting 2015 held at 12.30pm at the ACC in Liverpool on 16th October 2015

Allan Wilson was in the chair and ~ 50 members were present. Members of the Executive present included: A Wilson, S Mehew, K Ellis, P Cross, A Cropper, L Smart, J Davies, T Giles, H Burrell.

- 1. Apologies for absence D Nuttall, H Glencross, J Jamison
- 2. Minutes of the last annual general meeting were distributed in delegate bags prior to the meeting and agreed as an accurate record.
- 3. Matters arising No matters other than those on the agenda.
- 4. Treasurer's Report

KE

Copies of the Treasurer's report were not available as the accounts were still with the Accountants. No problems were anticipated and as soon as they were returned a report would be available to all members. Due the healthy financial situation of the BAC accounts membership fees would stay the same for the 2016/17.

5. Membership Secretary's Report The current BAC membership stands at 522. A slight fall compared to 2014 due in

the main part to retirements and staff leaving the field of Cytology. However we continue to receive a steady number of applications for membership

6. Publications and Media report

PC

LS

WEBSITE

A new more responsive and user friendly BAC website should be launched in the next few days. Members would receive an email when this was to go live.

SCAN

Still published 2x a year. PC extended his thanks to Sharon Roberts-Grant and Andrew Evered for all their work as Editors. Material was required for SCAN and members encouraged to submit articles, quizzes etc.

CYTOPATHOLOGY

Mina Desai gave a short report on Cytopathology, and recent changes in the journal.

7. BAC discretionary research fund

IJ

- JJ had had to leave the conference urgently so was not available to give the report so AW informed the members that they may apply for monies from the new BAC discretionary research fund and reminded members that they could also apply for a Bursary to attend Scientific meetings. Application forms would be available on the new website.
- 8. The President extended their gratitude to JD for all her hard work for the BAC Executive (and previously NAC) particularly in her CEC role and she was presented with a gift.

9. Chairman's Comments

PC

AW gave this report and said he was pleased that we would soon be delivering a new website and extended his thanks to PC, LS and CB for their work on the new website. LS had also been very busy and done a lot of work leading on the new BAC Code of Practice.

In addition the BAC Executive continued to work hard on various groups and committees.

He welcomed our 2 new Executive committee members: Hedley Glencross and Dave Nuttall

10. Any Other Business

A prize draw was held of all the delegates attending BAC 2015 for a free place at ECC 2016. The winner was Katharine Ferry from St Peters Hospital who was pleased to become the first delegate for ECC 2016.

11. Date of Next Meeting will be held at some time TBC during 2nd – 5th October 2016 during the ECC scientific meeting to be hosted by BAC in Liverpool.