



Minutes of the eightieth Annual General Meeting of the
Institute of Biomedical Science held at 12 Colbath Square, London, EC1R 5HL
and via Zoom Webinar on
Saturday 11th June 2022 at 11.30

Present: Mrs D Padgett (President and Chair)
Mr A Wilson (Past President)
Mr Gordon McNair (Treasurer)
Mr D Wells (Chief Executive)
Plus a further 32 members with voting rights

In attendance – Executive staff:

Mr M Finnie
Dr S Jones
Ms S May
Mrs L Rigby
Ms N Rulliere
Mr P Smith

Apologies: Professor Keith Hyde

The notice of the meeting was taken as read and the minutes of the Annual General Meeting that took place on 5th June 2021 were accepted and signed as a true record.

1. Annual Report and Accounts

The Annual Report of the Institute of Biomedical Science for 2021 and the accounts for the twelve months ended 31st December 2021 were received together with the report of the auditors.

The Chair gave a sample of some of the achievements of the Institute in 2021. Full details of those achievements and activities can be found in the Annual Report.

The Past President said a few words to reflect on the Covid period and to thank IBMS members for their tremendous efforts and resilience during those challenging times.

The Treasurer made a presentation on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Acceptance of the Annual Report and accounts were proposed by Mrs Shauna McAuley and seconded by Mr Colin Mudd.

The proposal was carried.

2. Auditors

Haysmacintyre LLP, Chartered Accountants, were re-appointed to serve as auditors for the ensuing year and it was agreed that their remuneration be fixed by the Council.

Proposed by Mr Matt Smith and seconded by Mr Andrew Usher.

The proposal was carried.

3. Council Elections

National member of Council

The Chair announced that one national member was due to retire at the close of the AGM, namely, Professor Keith Hyde. Another seat had been left vacant by a Council member stepping down during their term.

One nomination was received from Mrs Sheri Scott, a corporate member.

The Chair announced that Mrs Sheri Scott was deemed duly elected national Council member of Council, without the requirement for a ballot, to take office from the conclusion of the meeting for a term of three years.

Regional members of Council

The Chair announced that five regional members were due to retire at the close of the AGM, namely Mrs Shauna McAuley for the Irish Region, Dr Linda Walsh for Scotland, Mr Andrew Usher for the South West, Mr Nigel Coles for the West Midlands and Mrs Joanna Andrew for Yorkshire.

Nominations were received from the following corporate members: Mr Glen McDowell for the Irish Region, Dr Linda Walsh for Scotland, Mr Andrew Usher for the South West, Mr Nigel Coles for the West Midlands and Mrs Joanna Andrew for Yorkshire.

The Chair confirmed that Mr McDowell, Dr Walsh, Mr Usher, Mr Coles and Mrs Andrew were deemed duly elected regional members of Council, without the requirement for a ballot, to take office from the conclusion of the meeting for a term of three years.

The Chair congratulated the newly appointed and returning Council members.

4. Special Resolution

The resolution to amend the Articles of Association was introduced by the Chair, that with effect from the conclusion of the meeting the draft Articles of Association be adopted as the Articles of Association of the Institute in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, the Institute's existing Articles of Association.

The Chair read the minor amendments to the Articles proposed by the Council.

- 1 At Article 1(J) Council wishes to update the cross-references to reflect the new numbering of the Articles that was adopted in 2021 - replacement of the references at Article 1(J) to Articles 3B and 3A by references to Articles 5 and 4 respectively;
- 2 The Institute's membership year runs from 1 January, but under the existing Article 16, members whose subscriptions are still outstanding up to 31 March are still entitled to receive the Institute's publications, even if they do not renew their membership. To reduce the cost of sending publications, it is proposed to amend Article 16 so that members' entitlement to receive journals and other publications will cease as soon as their subscriptions are overdue - deletion at paragraph (ii) of Article 16 of the words "*31 March in any year*" and the substitution therefore of "*the date on which the subscription is due*"; and

- 3 It is currently possible for the Institute to serve notices on members by fax. Given how rare it now is for people to use fax communications, it is proposed that references to communications by fax be removed from the Articles. This will involve an amendment at Article 75 and the deletion of Article 78 and the consequential renumbering of Articles 79 to 90 as Articles 78 to 89.

The resolution was proposed by Mr Robert Simpson and seconded by Mrs Shauna McAuley.

The Chair called a poll on the Special Resolution, which was approved by the required majority. The Chair announced that the resolution had been carried.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed.