

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 10th May, 5:00pm
Kenrick Lecture Theatre, City North Campus



The quorum of 50 members was not reached by 17:00, so the Chair declared quorum to be 15 members, and the meeting went ahead at 17:05 with 17 members present.

Minutes

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Minutes of previous AGM (Tuesday 11th May 2010)

The fee for the auditors of the 2008-09 accounts was clarified as being £9,856.

It was requested that attendees' Union positions should be noted beside their names on the minutes.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

Ordinary Business

4. To receive the Report of the Directors

Tom Thompson presented the Report of the Directors

- Q (Stuart Young): Not much detail?
- A (TT): There was no capacity for full Annual Review, which will be printed at the end of May for the final Council.*

The report was accepted unanimously.

5. To receive the Financial Statements of the Company and the Auditors' report for the year ending 31 July 2010

Tom Thompson presented the Financial Statements of both Birmingham City Students' Union and Birmingham City Enterprises Ltd.

The statements were accepted by a show of hands: 16 Yes; 1 Abstention.

6. To appoint and fix remuneration for the Auditors of the Company

The current Union auditors are RSM Tenon, at a fee of £2,448 for the upcoming year. Tom Thompson proposed that the Union continue to use the same auditors.

The meeting accepted this proposal unanimously.

Special Business

7. To approve the list of external organisations to which the Union is affiliated

Tom Thompson presented the list of proposed affiliations for 2011-12.

The affiliations were accepted by a show of hands: 16 Yes; 1 No.

Members' Business

8. Response to the Vice Chancellor Question Time

Comments:

- It was a worthwhile event.
- Vice Chancellor seemed generally honest, though dodged a few questions.
- It would be worth inviting him next year and perhaps holding the event at another campus.
- The event was recorded for Scratch and will be posted online.

9. To consider, and if thought fit pass the following motions submitted by members:

a. Campus Engagement Strategy

Tom Thompson presented and outlined the proposal.

- Q: What about campuses other than City North and City South?
- A (TT): Plan is to spend time at all campuses
- Q (Kat Higgs): What happens to GOATing and GOALing days? Will there still be some at City North?
- A (TT): GOATing and GOALing can include City North, the other two days should be elsewhere.
- Q (Jim Goulding): How can President suddenly justify being away from City North (unlike City North)? Many offices will now have people away all the time.
- A (TT): Students' Union needs to give a lead in basing work at other campuses. It will be difficult for the President but they will have to work with the University to ensure this happens.
- Q (JG): Might jeopardise relationships you have built up.

Stuart Young suggested that the motion should be deferred to the final meeting of Student Council, following further discussion amongst the

Executive team to address disagreements over what the intentions of the policy were. This proposal was accepted.

10. Lifetime memberships of the Students' Union

There were no objections, and the proposed list was accepted unanimously.

Jim Goulding questioned why the other Sabbaticals had to wait until the final Council meeting to be nominated.

11. Any other business

There was no other business.

Appendix: List of Attendees

Micah Deegan

Robin Eves

Jim Goulding (Activities & Sports Officer)

Laura Hall (Education & Welfare Officer)

Kat Higgs (Communications Officer)

Elgan Hughes

Mobashar Mahmood

Ruth McIntosh

Jaspreet Sagoo

Emma Selway

Ben Stones

Madhoo Thavalingam (Campus Engagement Officer)

Tom Thompson (President)

Roxanne Thomson

Wil Vincent

Oiiasha Williams

Stuart Young (Chair)