



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR EDUCATION IN ART AND DESIGN, HELD AT OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY, HEADINGTON HILL, OXFORD OX3 0BP, ON SATURDAY 23 MARCH 2013 AT 13.30

In the chair, Susan Coles, President of NSEAD

1/13 ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Society attended the meeting:

Kristian Brooks-Buckingham, Lesley Butterworth, (General Secretary), Jonathan Carney, Paul Carney, Carol Cattley, John Childs, Dan China, Susan Coles, Marita Davidson, Natalie Deane, Jennifer Durdey, Ged Gast, Alice Girdlestone, Peter Gregory, Natalie Grey, James Hall, Emma Hallmark, Hannah Hames, Simon Huson, Tony Jackson, Nicola Johnston, Emma Jones, Penny Jones, Maria Keki, Paul Key, Michele Kitto, Katherine Knowles, Ian Lightfoot, Liz MacFarlane, Anna Marshall, Jane McDonald, Catherine McGill, Fiona McTaggart, Rebecca Mizon, Iona Molleson, Melanie Moore, Sarah Mossop, Andrew Mutter, James Nairne, Clive Niall, Oliver Nicholson, Nathan Nugent, Kirsten Oldroyd, Clinton Osborne, Christine Payne, Rachel Payne, Sarah Plumb, Rebecca Robertson, John Steers, Hannah Stower, Morag Taylor, Judy Thomas, Ruth Tufnell, Karen Wicks, Carol Wild, Marlene Wylie, Yanyue Yuan.

Fifty-seven NSEAD members attended the meeting and thus the presence of a quorum was confirmed. Register appended to the minutes.

In attendance: Sophie Leach (Assistant General Secretary)

Observers: Laura Fox, Lauren Helsby Greg, Hodgson, Lindsey Holden, Jenna Lister, Georgia Naish, Merry Swarbrick.

Apologies for absence: Alastair Laing

2/13 PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS

The President of the Society, Susan Coles welcomed members to the 125th Annual General Meeting of the Society. The President remarked on the key developments over the past year to include increased advocacy for the subject in the face of the adverse effects of government policy and the success of two professional development programmes, *Skills in the Making* and *Thinking, Expression and Action*. The President thanked members of Council and the Boards for their time and energy given freely to the Society, and Lesley Butterworth, Sophie Leach, Anne Ingall and Pat Burnell for their hard work and commitment.

3/13 MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A motion to receive and approve as read the minutes (previously circulated to all members) of the last AGM of the Society held at the BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead on Saturday 17 March 2012 was proposed by Penny Jones, seconded by Peter Gregory and approved 'nem con.'

4/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last AGM.

5/12 THE GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The General Secretary, Lesley Butterworth, referred members to her published report and said she would be happy to answer any questions.

The General Secretary outlined the headlines in the report. Financially the last year has been a considerable challenge and the Society is adapting its energy, capacity and priorities accordingly. Government policy is challenging art, craft and design education and cuts to the cultural sector influence our work. However, successes are considerable, to include AD Magazine under the editorial guidance of Sophie Leach, the increasing activity of network groups, the move of iJADE to online access and two professional development programmes focussing upon drawing and the contemporary crafts.

The General Secretary thanked members of Council and the three Boards for all their work and energy over the past year. The General Secretary thanked NSEAD staff Sophie Leach, John Steers, Anne Ingall, Pat Burnell and Anne Pollard for their commitment and support during 2011-12.

A motion to receive and approve the General Secretary's report 2011-12 was proposed by Maria Keki, seconded by Paul Carney and approved 'nem con.'

6/12 HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT 2011-12

Honorary Treasurer John Childs referred members to his published report and confirmed a year of deep financial challenge for the society as it adjusts to the global economic downturn, manifest in cutbacks to funding streams, and government and non government contracts and reduced budgets for professional development and the purchase of services and resources.

A motion to receive and approve the Honorary Treasurer's Report was proposed by Marlene Wylie, seconded by Oliver Nicholson and approved 'nem con'.

7/12 THE AUDITORS REPORT 2011-12

The auditors used by the Society are H.W Fisher & Co. The General Secretary referred members to the Auditors Report in the Annual Review, previously circulated to all members.

A motion to receive and approve the report of the Auditors for the financial year 2011-12 was proposed by Paul Carney, seconded by Nathan Nugent and approved 'nem con'.

8/12 TO AWARD A FELLOWSHIP OF THE SOCIETY

There were no nominations during 2011-12.

9/12 TO APPOINT THE AUDITORS FOR 2012-2013

The General Secretary recommended that H.W Fisher & Co be re-appointed as the Society's auditors for 2012-2013.

A motion to appoint H.W Fisher & Co as the Society's auditors for 2012-13 was proposed by Natalie Deane, seconded by Jonathan Carney and agreed 'nem con.'

10/12 TO REVIEW SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2013-14

A 5% increase was carried at Council in November 2012. It was agreed that when members were informed of the increase they would be reminded that they can claim tax relief against subscriptions.

A motion to increase subscriptions by 5% was proposed by Nathan Nugent, seconded by Ian Lightfoot and approved, with one against.

11/12 TO REVISE PARAGRAPH 6.6 OF THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES AS FOLLOWS

6.6 Eligibility to vote.

All Full Members, Associate Members, Honorary or Student Teacher Members of the Society may vote in Council and Finance and General Purposes Committee elections with the exception of members who are more than six months in arrears in payment of their subscriptions.

A motion to revise paragraph 6.6 of the Constitution and Rules to include Student Teacher Members was proposed by Nathan Nugent, seconded by Natalie Deane and approved 'nem con.'

12/13 CONCLUDING REMARKS

The President Susan Coles reiterated her thanks to members, Council and Board members and the staff of the Society. There being no further business the meeting closed at 13.55pm

Lesley Butterworth
General Secretary
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