

# Winchester Photographic Society

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2009**  
7:30pm, Winchester Discovery Centre



1. **Apologies:** Eileen Tilby, Bryce Richardson, John Davis, William Roule
2. **Minutes of AGM held 6th May 2008** It was requested that the individual report were circulated and the minutes approved on 26<sup>th</sup> May: this was done at an EGM. Proposed: Louise Brown, Seconded Dave Hughes
3. **Matters Arising** None.
4. **Treasurer's Report** The finances were circulated on a separate sheet. There will be no increase in cost of membership. Could members please pay before Sept perhaps by Paypal. Exhibition figures in the accounts are from last year. Proposed: David Taylor. Seconded: David Simmonds
5. **Secretary's Report** Some email addresses are still not working. Members requested that files are sent out in both Word (possible RTF) and PDF format. Proposed: Zoe Hemsley Seconded: Barbara Lambert
6. **Exhibition Coordinator's Report.** Joe Kaplonek. See separate report. The exhibition next year will be slightly later. There was a discussion on mounting prints at the exhibition in frames and where the print numbers appear. The number of prints per entrant was also discussed. Joe thought that more publicity could have been given prior to the exhibition. Proposed: Tony Smith. Seconded: Martin Farrow
7. **Programme Secretary's Report** See separate report. Anne pointed out that the programme is organised a year in advance, and therefore we have Joy to thank for this year. She gave a few hints about the programme for next year. Proposed: Joe Kaplonek Seconded: James Blackburn
8. **Competition Secretary's Report – including external competitions.** See separate report Comments were made on scoring projected images using points and the present software. There was a question about playing in more external competitions, but we already play in the SPF league and championships; also the Victory trophy. There was a question about sending digital entries by email. Dave Hughes volunteered to provide online storage. Proposed: John Tennent. Seconded: Anne Burke
9. **Publicity Officer's Report James Blackburn.** See separate report Proposed: John Norris Seconded: Anne Burke
10. **Webmaster's Report** See separate report. Proposed: Rafe Pascual, Seconded: Martin Farrow
11. **Other reports on activities:** George Walsh said AV group presented to Farnborough and Southampton Ordinance Survey. The Club took part in a 3 way contest in October which we won; next season we will be hosting a contest with Alton and N Hants. Two workshops were held at Littleton. Members wishing to take part in any external contest should make their AV

no longer than 5 minutes. A request was made to give more publicity and formality to the AV group. Proposed: Philip George Seconded: Keith Taylor

**Outings: Barbara Lambert:** Planned and organised visits are to: Watercress Line, Falconry, Droxford, Kew, and a walk in Somerset. Perhaps some will be repeated. Keep coming to these. June 13<sup>th</sup> sees another “War on the line event” Prop. Les Nicholson Sec George Walsh

**Zoe Hemsley Workshops and the Panels group** has been successful and work will be presented to the club We also entered a PAGB cup and a Europe-wide cup. Proposed: Philp George Seconded Louise Brown

**12. President’s Report** See separate report. We were reminded to please wear badges! Proposed: Keith Taylor Seconded: David Taylor

**13. Election of officers** The nominated committee was elected unopposed. See table.

**14. Appointment of independent financial examiner: Eileen Tilby agreed (by email)**  
Proposed: Rafe Pascual Seconded: David Taylor

**15. Any Other Business.** Alex Fyfe proposed an increase in the limit from 4 to 7 minutes for A/V shows to allow longer pieces of music. The time could be adjusted in subsequent years if necessary. Stephen Hewitt made some comments on the proposal, and reminded us that quality is more important than quantity of pictures, and many shows are set to specific music. We should not constrain creativity. George reminded us that 5 minutes is the limit for outside competitions, but we could allow 7 minutes internally (to be reviewed next year). Tony Smith seconded it. It was passed with 4 votes against but a majority in favour. The other OAB from **Tony Smith** was withdrawn but he is still concerned about the lack of entries in monochrome competitions causing tactical entries. There was some support for retaining monochrome. It was suggested that scoring is adjusted for low entry numbers. It was suggested that judges can make decisions on places to award. Perhaps there should be more emphasis on B&W in the programme. B&W could be mixed with colour.

**The meeting finished at 10:10pm**