



Association of Industrial Laser Users

Minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting

Meeting Room 2, NEC, Birmingham

14 April 2016, 12:30

Present

President: Ric Allott, STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

Vice President: Lin Li, University of Manchester

Executive Secretary and Chair: Dave MacLellan, Anode Marketing

Others: Brian Barber, Air Liquide; Mike Barrett, Pro Laser; Jonathan Blackburn, TWI; Mike Green, Pro Laser; Kevin Grimley, PI UK; Tony Jones, Tec Systems; Louise Jones, KTN; Jonathan Lawrence, University of Chester; Neil Main, Micrometric; Simon Richardson, Fujikura; Pratik Shukla, University of Chester; Catherine Rose, Anode Marketing (Minute Secretary)

Opening remarks

Dave MacLellan welcomed members to the AGM.

Apologies received

Apologies were received from Maria Fetta, Hamamatsu; Peter Humphreys, SMC Pneumatics; Adrian Norton, thinklaser; Martin Sharp, Liverpool John Moores University; Ian White, Yamazaki Mazak Ltd.

Approval of the minutes of the last AGM

The minutes of 21st AGM (22.04.15, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory) were approved (proposed: Neil Main; seconded: Ric Allott).

Matters arising from the minutes

There were no actions arising from the minutes.

Presentation of the Annual Report

Ric Allott presented AILU activities over the reporting period (November 2014 – October 2015) alongside those of the current financial year for added context. The presentation included slides of past events and exhibitions, and a look forward to future activities. Mention was made of the rebranding of AILU (including the new logo and updated formats for the AILU magazine and e-newsletter) and of the launch of a new Special Interest Group (Power Beam Processing).

Adoption of the Annual Report

Those present unanimously approved the annual report (proposed: Jonathan Blackburn; seconded Lin Li).

Presentation of accounts for 2014/15

Dave MacLellan presented the FY 14/15 accounts, reporting on the hand-over of the Secretarial Contract from Mike Green to himself during the reporting period. Income and expenditure charts were presented, showing that the Secretarial Contract had paid out almost the maximum amount owing to the ILAS attendance and sponsorship which contributed a similar income to the annual membership subscriptions. Lin Li suggested greater use of online sales to increase efficiency of payment to AILU. Dave MacLellan took this suggestion as an action for the next Standing Committee meeting.

Adoption of accounts

Those present unanimously approved the accounts (proposed: Jonathan Blackburn; seconded: Lin Li).

Election of Officers of the Standing Committee

Officers had been elected at the 21st AGM in 2015 for a 2-year term of office; no formal re-election was required at this meeting. The named officers are; Ric Allott (President), Lin Li (Vice President) and Dave MacLellan (Executive Secretary). There was no objection to those named remaining in post until completion of their term of office.

Election of Ordinary Members of the Standing Committee

Dave MacLellan nominated the following to be elected onto the Standing Committee for a 3-year term: Duncan Hand (Heriot-Watt University); Louise Jones (KTN); Ian White (Yamazaki Mazak). He also recommended the co-option the following members for a 1-year term: Jonathan Blackburn (TWI); Adam Clare (University of Nottingham); Stan Wilford (IPG Photonics). The nominations were unanimously accepted (proposed: Ric Allott; seconded Lin Li).

Proposal to change title of Executive Secretary to Executive Director

Lin Li proposed the change of title to bring AILU in line with similar organisations and to better reflect the role of the position. The change of title from Executive Secretary to Executive Director was unanimously agreed (proposed: Lin Li; seconded Ric Allott).

Any other business

Lin Li asked whether anyone present, particularly new members, would like to comment on, or make suggestions regarding the future direction of AILU. Although no formal comment was made at this point, Dave MacLellan stated that he was happy to receive any suggestions and would take them to the next Standing Committee meeting to be evaluated.

Ric Allott wished to record his official thanks to Dave MacLellan for his admirable handling of the Secretarial Contract transition period and said it had been a pleasure to have been President during this time of change.

The meeting closed at 13:20.

Action No.	Responsible Person	Action
1	Dave MacLellan	Add Agenda Item for next Steering Committee meeting: the potential of increasing online sales.

Catherine Rose, Minute Secretary
18 April 2016

List of documents available prior to the 22nd AGM:

Notice of 22nd Annual General Meeting
Agenda of 22nd Annual General Meeting
Minutes of 21st AGM 2015
Abbreviated accounts 2014/2015
List of current AILU committee members