



**ROYAL
AERONAUTICAL
SOCIETY**

BEDFORD BRANCH

MINUTES OF THE BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 09 JUNE 2021 ONLINE VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Mr P. Curtis (President)
Mr. B Chan (Chairman)
Mr. N Stokes (Treasurer)
Dr. A Preece (Secretary)
Mr. D Dyer (Lecture Secretary)
Mr. O Westbrook-Netherton (Deputy Lecture Secretary)
Mrs. Caroline Betts

Main Society Members, Branch Members and Visitors

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM

The Minutes of the previous AGM were issued to members ahead of the AGM. No action points from the previous AGM were required to be reviewed. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Mr. Sam Ratcliffe and seconded by Mr. Peter Curtis.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Normally the statement of accounts covers the period from June to June, which covers the entire lecture season, leaving no outstanding expenses. Due to current circumstances this statement covers the period to the 22nd May 2021.

The year started with a balance of £2,715.90, slightly higher than at the same point in 2019, £2,614.82. Income is down from last year, due to the lack of physical lectures, which provide the main source of branch income, beyond the funding from RAeS Head Quarters. However, the drop in income is matched by the drop in expenditure, also due to the lack of physical lectures and travel to meetings. RAeS funding is traditionally based on attendance at lectures, how the Society decides to fund branches going forward with the move to online lectures is currently unknown. The future is expected to be a mix of physical and online lectures, potentially reducing branch income whilst increasing branch costs. However, currently Branch finances are healthy with a closing balance now of £2,996.00 with £67.00 in cash.

ACCOUNTS REVIEWER

Mr. Ray Wood has agreed to perform the role of Accounts Reviewer and shall conduct the review in due course.

APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee wished to continue as previously but with the movements as mentioned in the opening remarks. The proposed committee was:

Mr. Bernard Chan (LMUK, Chair)
Mr. Neil Stokes (ARA, Treasurer from June 2019)
Dr. Adam Preece (ARA, Secretary)
Mr. David Barry (Blue Bear, Deputy Secretary)
Mr. Daniel Dyer (LMUK, Lecture Secretary)
Mr. Oliver Westbrook-Netherton (Leonardo, Deputy Lecture Secretary)

Ordinary Members

Mrs. Caroline Betts (Carodon Management Services)
Mr. Alistair Redman (GKN)
Ms. Jennifer Edwards (LMUK)

New Nomination

Mr. Luke Hamnett (Leonardo)

Standing Down

Mr. Sam Ratcliffe (Ebeni)
Mr. Chris Conroy (Thales)

There being no further nominations from the floor, the Committee, above, was proposed by Mr. Michael Elliot and seconded by Mr. Andrew McCallum

The Committee was elected en bloc by a virtual show of hands of the Society and Branch members.

APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Peter Curtis has kindly offered to remain as the Branch President for 2021/2022.

ANY BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

No business was presented from the floor.

CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING REMARKS

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The Meeting closed at 19:20.