

ROYAL SOCIETY OF CHEMISTRY
Industry and Technology Forum
Formulation Science and Technology Group

**Minutes of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at 1.15 on 13th October 2005
at The Weston Conference Centre, University of Manchester.**

Present: Clive Washington (CW), David Higgins (DH), Pat Mulqueen (PM), Gordon Tiddy (GT), Ged O'Shea (GO), Phillippe Rogueda (PR), Paul Bonnett (PB), Dipak Sarker (DS), Geoff Smith (GS).

Apologies: Peter Garrett (PG), Roger Davey (RD), Shachi Sharma (SS), Eric Patterson (EP).

The Minutes of the previous AGM (30th September 2004) were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting (Proposed GT, Seconded PM)

1) Chairman's Report

The chairman thanked everyone for their hard work this year, which had resulted in three successful conferences being held. In particular Philippe was to be commended for the effort which he had put into the organisation of Formula 4, which probably would not have happened without his commitment.

2) Treasurer's report

The treasurers' report is appended to the minutes, and indicates a successful year with a sufficient surplus to allow the group to pursue its meetings plans for the following year. DS proposed approval of the report and PM seconded.

3) Secretary's Business

The secretary reported a current membership of 531, a small decline since 2004.

The committee held a successful awayday in June which resulted in a refined strategy and an extended conference calendar for the next 3 years.

4) Election of officers and committee members

The current officers are not due for re-election this year and so no officer elections were held.

GT and PG retired from the committee this year. A vote of thanks was proposed for their efforts over the last few years (proposed PM, seconded DH). It was further proposed that they were briefly re-co-opted until the publication output from Formula 4 was completed (Proposed DH, seconded CW).

Nominations for ordinary members were received from the remaining members of the committee, and from Richard Greenwood (Proposed PR, seconded PM) and Matthew Giles (proposed GO, seconded DS). It was proposed by GT and seconded by DH that these members were appointed en bloc. As there were no dissenters this was carried.

Meeting Closed at 1.45

Date of next meeting to be confirmed.

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