



**British Education Studies Association**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**University of Hull**

**28<sup>h</sup> June 2012 5**

**1. Chair welcomed delegates**

**2. In attendance**

47 delegates attended (see list of attendees)

**3. Minutes from the last meeting**

Minutes were confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting last year.

**4. Matters arising**

BESA constitution – there have been a number of changes to the constitution. Delegates were given a copy of the revised constitution and asked to confirm these changes. Changes to the constitution were accepted. Proposed by SW and seconded by AH.

Places on the executive committee - No vacancies on the executive committee this year. Delegates will receive an email to nominate themselves to join the exec ahead of the annual conference next year – a number of places will be vacant next year.

**5. Outgoing Chair review of 2011-2012**

IP noted a number of successes during the year – most notably, developments in the journal and conversations with publishers to take this further. IP thanked the executive members for their support during the year. Thanks to AR and WC and special thanks to SW for his special contribution to BESA and to Education Studies. SW to retire from his role as Treasurer.

**6. Handing over to new Chair**

IP handed over Chair of BESA to AR, who offered his thanks to IP for her work over the last year.

**7. Treasurer's report**

SW presented a summary financial statement – noting the healthy state of current finance. Key expenditure this year for student bursaries, Educational Futures journal and major updates to the website. (see attached summary sheet). Steve Burwood suggested a subgroup of the committee to explore the potential with publishers in relation to the journal – especially as income would be likely to rise dramatically.

**8. Report on BESA website**

CW could not attend so IP outlined the major changes to the website and asked delegates to email feedback to CW. AH noted that ESCalate resources are now housed on the BESA website.

**9. BESA journal**

SW reported that a new issue of the journal will be published next week. The new author guidelines can be found in the paper issue of the journal in the delegate pack.

**10. Report on new researchers' progress**

ZB reported that the last 3 years has seen a significant rise in the number of students attending and presenting at the conference. A pre-conference event has been established and run for the first year. ZB has been working on the new student area of the website. ZB is stepping down as student representative on the committee and invited student delegates to contact her if they are interested in taking on the role. IP and AR thanked ZB for all of her work over the last 3 years.

**11. Conference 2013**

AR outlined details of conference 2013 – to be held in Swansea. The conference will be held in the city on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

**12. Any other business**

None

**13. Date of next AGM – 27<sup>th</sup> June 2013**