

24th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOVOTEL, READING, SEPTEMBER 27TH 2008

MINUTES

Preamble Hugo Del Mar took the chair. Before formally opening the meeting, he mentioned that this, the 24th Conference, was the largest ever, with 140 people attending. He thanked Sue Del Mar and Allan Muir who had worked so hard organising it. He warmly thanked our sponsors for help with the funding.

He then announced the death, three weeks earlier of a member, Peter Philips, the son of our co-founder, Ann Phillips. Our thoughts and condolences went out to her. He said that Peter would be much missed by the Association and his many friends.

He also informed the meeting of the devastating illness of Dr Philip Lee, a physician caring for many of our members. He was starting treatment and we wished him well.

FORMAL MEETING

1) Apologies for Absence. These had been received from Janka Mattraï, Andrea Duckworth, Nadine Craddock, Sarah Kenny and Wendy Bascall.

2) Minutes of the Last Meeting. These had been circulated and were agreed.

3) Matters from the Minutes. Nothing was raised.

4) General Secretary's Report. This had been circulated.

5) Treasurer's Report. This had been circulated. Sue Del Mar said that finances were healthy with funds in excess of £150,000. She suggested that professionals needing support should put proposals forward.

6) Election of Officers. No new nominations had been received. It was proposed by Joyce Tonks and seconded by Bob Rome that the present Officers should be re-elected en block. This was passed nem. con.

General Secretary, Ann Philips; Treasurer, Sue Del Mar; Honorary Secretary, Clive Tonks; Type 1, Hugo Del Mar; Type 2, Allan Muir; Type3, Robert Wood; Type 5, Andrew Wakelin (non-exec.); Ailsa Arthur (non-exec); Newsletter Editor, Rosalind Martin (non-exec).

The chairman made a plea for volunteers to help with the work of the committee.

7) Any Other Business. Nothing was raised.

8) Next Meeting. Hugo said that Leicester in late September had been suggested.