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# Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers, held on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at the Park Inn Hotel, London Heathrow UK

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## In attendance

Peter Ashman (Chair)	Phil Hurst
Peter Richardson (Honorary Treasurer)	Dave Jago
Vivian Berghahn	Stewart Marshall
Sam Bruinsma	Wendy Newsham
Fiona Carr	Ian Russell
Leighton Chipperfield	David Sampson
Rod Cookson	Rita Scheman
Rachel Cutts	Susan Skomal
Sarah Faulder	Kathryn Spiller
Pam Harley	Andrew Stammer
Catherine Hill	Giulio Zuanetti

Audrey McCulloch (Chief Executive)  
Suzanne Kavanagh (Director of Marketing and Membership Services)  
Lesley Ogg (Events and Membership Manager)  
Sabia Morrison (Events and Membership Coordinator)

### 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Peter Ashman (ALPSP Chair) welcomed everyone to the ALPSP AGM.  
Apologies had been received from Andrea Powell (CABI).

### 2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015

The minutes of the 2015 Annual General meeting will be circulated separately to primary contacts at member organizations and approval sought via email.

Note: subject to correction of typos, the Membership **approved** the minutes of the 2015 AGM on 30 September 2016.

### 3. Annual report from the Treasurer

Peter Richardson presented the Treasurer's report.

No questions were raised.

### 4. Adoption of the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2015

The accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 were:

*Proposed by:* Phil Hurst, Royal Society

*Seconded by:* Anthony Cond, Liverpool University Press

and **Adopted**.

### 5. Appointment of Auditors for the Association for the year ending 31 December 2016

The appointment of Myers Clark as auditors to the Association for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 was:

*Proposed by:* Ian Russell, Society for Endocrinology

*Seconded by:* Andrew Stammer, CSIRO Publishing

and **Approved**.

### 6. Membership fees for 2017

The membership subscription rates for 2017, as set out below were:

*Proposed by:* David K Marshall, SIAM

*Seconded by:* Stephen Hawthorne, Royal Society of Chemistry

and **Approved**.

Band	Sterling		USD		Euro	
		Change		Change		Change
<b>A</b>	240	2%	510	2%	379	2%
<b>C</b>	383	5%	756	5%	563	5%
<b>E</b>	840	5%	1,600	5%	1,181	5%
<b>G</b>	1,155	5%	2,245	5%	1,603	5%
<b>H</b>	1,643	5%	3,155	5%	2,244	5%
<b>I</b>	2,384	5%	4,529	5%	3,192	5%
<b>J</b>	3,948	5%	7,512	5%	5,279	5%
<b>K</b>	5,565	5%	10,491	5%	7,435	5%
<b>L</b>	7,182	5%	13,514	5%	9,575	5%

Membership fees will figure in the long term for reducing the operating deficit and members requested that as much notice as possible is given for large increases to help with forward budgeting.

ALPSP recognizes there are exchange rate fluctuations. For the moment, the Association will benefit from the current situation, however the market is very volatile and the Association will absorb any negative impact on revenue.

### 7. ALPSP Council members



**a. New Directors for 2017**

Following the election process the following was confirmed:

Stephen Hawthorne, re-elected for second term

Alison Mudditt, new Ordinary Member (and Director) from 1 January 2017

Louise Page, new Ordinary Member (and Director) from 1 January 2017

**b. New co-opted Member**

Melinda Kenneway from Kudos has joined Council as a co-opted member.

**c. Director standing down**

Helen Zhang from JZUS in China has reached the end of her final term.

Sincere thanks are extended to her from the Directors, Council and the ALPSP team for her contribution over the years.

**8. Annual Reports**

Audrey McCulloch presented the annual report for 2015 and 2016 to date. The presentation is available at [www.alpsp.org](http://www.alpsp.org).

**9. Any other business**

There were no further items for discussion.

**10. Date of next AGM**

The 2017 AGM would be held on Thursday 14 September, at the Grand Hotel Huis ter Duin, Noordwijk, in The Netherlands.