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# Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers, held on 14 September 2017 at the Grand Hotel Huis der Duin, Noordwijk, The Netherlands

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## In attendance

Peter Ashman (Chair)	Stephen Hawthorne
Peter Richardson (Honorary Treasurer)	Phil Hurst
Simon Boisseau	Anthony Watkinson
Egon Menardi	Ove Kähler
Xiaofeng Wang	Catherine Hill
Xiujuan Wu	Niamh O'Connor
Susan Murray	Vicki Hammond
Sarah Faulder	Sam Bruinsma
Michael Alexander	Eleanora Dagiene
Pinar Erzin	Pippa Smart
Lauren Kane	Rachel Martin
Will Schweitzer	Ian Russell
Astrid Engelen-Wisser	Miriam Maus

Audrey McCulloch (Chief Executive)  
Diane French (LP Administrator)

### 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Peter Ashman (ALPSP Chair) welcomed everyone to the ALPSP AGM.

### 2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15 September 2016

The minutes of the 2016 Annual General meeting were tabled and approval sought as to their accuracy.

*Proposed by:* Catherine Hill, BES

*Seconded by:* Peter Ashman, BMJ

and **Approved.**

### 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 2016

The accounts for the year ended 31 December 2015 were:

*Proposed by:* Phil Hurst, Royal Society

*Seconded by:* Sam Bruinsma, Brill

and **Adopted**.

### 5. Appointment of Auditors for the Association for the year ending 31 December 2017

The appointment of Myers Clark as auditors to the Association for the year ending 31 December 2017 was:

*Proposed by:* Ian Russell, Society for Endocrinology

*Seconded by:* Niamh O'Connor, Biochemical Society/Portland Press Ltd

and **Approved**.

### 6. Membership fees for 2018

The membership subscription rates for 2018, as set out below were:

*Proposed by:* Will Schweitzer, AAAS

*Seconded by:* Stephen Hawthorne, IET

and **Approved**.

There was a proposal to increase the rates in 2 stages. Membership bands would only attract a 3% increase, if paid prior to 15 November 2017, whereas after this date, the increase for renewal of membership would be 5%.

3% increase

	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	£	£	\$	\$	€	€
A	240	247	510	525	379	390
C	383	394	756	779	563	580
E	840	865	1,600	1,648	1,181	1,216
G	1,155	1,190	2,245	2,312	1,603	1,651
H	1,643	1,692	3,155	3,250	2,244	2,311
I	2,384	2,456	4,529	4,665	3,192	3,288
J	3,948	4,066	7,512	7,737	5,279	5,437
K	5,565	5,732	10,491	10,806	7,435	7,658
L	7,182	7,397	13,514	13,919	9,575	9,862

5% increase

	2017 £	2018 £	2017 \$	2018 \$	2017 €	2018 €
A	240	252	510	536	379	398
C	383	402	756	794	563	591
E	840	882	1,600	1,680	1,181	1,240
G	1,155	1,213	2,245	2,357	1,603	1,683
H	1,643	1,725	3,155	3,313	2,244	2,356
I	2,384	2,503	4,529	4,755	3,192	3,352
J	3,948	4,145	7,512	7,888	5,279	5,543
K	5,565	5,843	10,491	11,016	7,435	7,807
L	7,182	7,541	13,514	14,190	9,575	10,054

## 7. ALPSP Council members

### a. New Directors for 2018

Following the election process the following was confirmed:  
Niamh O'Connor (Biochemical Society and Portland Press Ltd) had been elected as an Ordinary Member of Council and Director  
Deborah Dixon (OUP) had been elected as an Ordinary Member of Council and Director

Thanks were extended to both for their willingness to serve on ALPSP Council and as Directors. Both would take up their positions in January 2018.

## 8. Annual Reports

Audrey McCulloch presented the annual report for 2016 and 2017 to date. The presentation is available at <https://www.alpsp.org/AGM-Content>.

## 9. Any other business

There were no further items for discussion.

## 10. Date of next AGM

The 2018 AGM would be held on Thursday 13 September, at the de Vere Beaumont Estate, Old Windsor, UK.