Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers, held on 13 September 2018 at the de Vere Beaumont Estate, Old Windsor, Berks SL4 2JJ, UK

In attendance

Peter Ashman (Chair)  Phil Hurst
Niamh O’Connor (Honorary Treasurer)  Alison Mudditt
Sophia Anderton  Marcus Parker
Vivian Berghahn  Matt Pedersen
Chris Burton-Brown  Michelle Phillips
Diane Cogan  Andrew Plume
Anthony Cond  Ian Russell
Clare Curtis  Sindhuja Sampathkumar
Alice Ellingham  K Sargent
Sarah Fricker  Will Schweitzer
Charles Hemenway  Pippa Smart
Catherine Hill  Ola Tornkvist
Richard Hollingsworth  Xiofeng Wang
Clare Hooper  Anthony Watkinson
Jamie Humphrey  Emma Wilson
Daniel Hurley

Peter Richardson (Interim Joint Chief Executive)
Ruth Leighton (Assistant Accountant)
Lesley Ogg (Membership Manager)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Peter Ashman (ALPSP Chair) welcomed everyone to the ALPSP AGM. Apologies had been received from: Astrid Engelen-Visser, Nicola Gulley and Susan Murray.

2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 14 September 2017

The minutes of the 2017 Annual General meeting were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by: Phil Hurst, The Royal Society
3. **Annual report from the Treasurer**

   Niamh O’Connor presented the Treasurer’s report.

   There were no questions.

4. **Adoption of the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017**

   The accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017 were adopted.

   *Proposed by:* Will Schweitzer, AAAS
   *Seconded by:* Emma Wilson, Royal Society of Chemistry

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 approved.

   *Proposed by:* Sophia Anderton, British Institute of Radiology
   *Seconded by:* Alison Mudditt, PLOS

6. **Membership fees for 2019**

   The proposed membership subscription rates as detailed below for 2019 were approved.

   *Proposed by:* Pippa Smart, PSP Consulting
   *Seconded by:* Jamie Humphrey, Royal Society of Chemistry

   An increase of 5% would be applied to all bands.

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7. **ALPSP Council members**

   a. **New Directors for 2019**

      Four nominations had been received for the two vacancies arising 1 January 2019 and so an election had been held. The AGM confirmed the results of the election:

      - Patrick Alexander, Pennsylvania State University Press, was elected as an Ordinary Member of Council and Director.
      - Catherine Hill, British Ecological Society, was elected to serve a second term as an Ordinary Member of Council and Director.
b. Honorary Officers
The following was approved by the AGM

Peter Ashman will serve as Chair for a fifth year, from 1 January 2019. Niamh O’Connor will serve as Chair Elect during 2019 and take up the role of Chair from 1 January 2020. She will continue as Treasurer until the end of 2019.

Thanks were expressed to Stephen Hawthorne and Andrew Stammer who had stepped down from Council during 2018.

8. Annual Reports
Peter Richardson presented the annual report for 2017 and 2018 to date. The presentation is available at https://www.alpsp.org/AGM-Content.

9. Any other business
There was no further business.

10. Date of next AGM
The 2019 AGM would be held on Thursday 12 September, at the de Vere Beaumont Estate, Old Windsor, UK.