

**UK Society for Co-operative Studies (UKSCS)**  
**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

**2 October 2023**

**(Version 2)**

**Time:** 7pm.

**Location:** Zoom

**Present:** Rory Ridley-Duff, Roger Spear, Andrew Bibby, Grant Wolstencroft, Gillian Lonergan, Francesca Gagliardi, Jan Myers, John Maddocks, Ian Adderley, Ruth Hall, Anita Mangan, Steve, Martin Meteyard, Steve Dess Marden Basnet, Nick Matthews, Janette Hurst.

**Meeting Chair:** Ruth Hall.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were recorded for Mike Wistow, Elisavet Mantzari, Hazel Johnson, Cilla Ross, Paul Jones.

**2. Minutes of 2022 AGM**

Minutes of the previous AGM were approved, with a correction in Item 3 from £2 to £2k.

**3. Presentation and adoption of accounts**

An update on the finances was provided by treasurer, John Maddocks, and the accounts were agreed as presented.

**4. Trustee annual report and Q&A**

Ruth Hall talked through the annual report, as tabled. The meeting also noted former Chair, Rory Ridley-Duff was standing down from the board, and recorded its thanks to Rory for his work with UKSCS. A 'Co-op Conversation' with Rory is taking place next week.

**5. Election of trustees**

The following nominations were received in advance with candidate statements circulated:

- Ian Adderley
- Francesca Gagliardi
- Elisavet Mantzari

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- Nick Matthews

All are existing trustees seeking re-election and were individually confirmed by the AGM. Ruth Hall noted that we had 4 people for 5 places and asked that vacancy for the 5<sup>th</sup> place be carried forward to allow the board to co-opt a trustee to fill identified skills gaps. That trustee will be subject to election at the next AGM. This was agreed.

## **6. Journal Editor Report**

Anita Mangan provided an update on the work of the *Journal of Co-operative Studies*, talking through recent volumes, and the future pipeline of work. The meeting noted that Jan Myers was retiring from the board, having previously served as Editor of the *Journal*. The meeting noted with thanks the significant contribution Jan has made to the *Journal* and UKSCS more generally.

## **7. Any Other Business**

Andrew Bibby asked for as much notice as possible for the 2024 conference, for planning purposes. There were no other items of any other business.

Meeting closed: 7.37pm.