



Edinburgh Branch

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 6 October 2016 at 6:30pm

Venue: Room 4.31 Informatics Building, Edinburgh University, Crichton Street, Edinburgh

ATTENDEES

Paul Rattray
Allan Davidson
Margus Lind
Mike Hurst
Lee Parry
Kevin Chalmers
Roger Whiteley
Kevin Fisher
Seb Rose
Jonny Shenton

And 63 members / non-members present for the talk following the AGM.

APOLOGIES

Iain Thompson

The Branch Secretary opened the AGM and presented the agenda:

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Minutes of 2015 AGM
Reports from
 Chair
 Treasurer
 Report on Branch Activities - Secretary
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1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes for 2015 AGM Meeting approved

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Paul gave the Chair's report [attached]

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Jonny gave the Treasurer's report [attached]

4. Hon SECRETARY REPORT

The Secretary reported on Branch activities and meetings, and presented summaries of attendance at the meetings since the last AGM. A full set of the presented slides follows after the Treasurers' report

5. ELECTIONS

Nomination forms for Chair, Treasurer and each member of the Committee have been submitted and the originals are lodged with the Secretary.

The Chair was re-elected *nem con.*

The Treasurer was re-elected *nem con.*

The Secretary was re-elected *nem con.*

The remaining members of the committee were re-elected *nem con.*

There being no members present who wished to stand for election to the committee, the elections were closed and the meeting progressed to the remainder of the agenda.

6. AOB

There was no AOB and the meeting closed at 1831, 5th October.

Date of next AGM - Wednesday 4th October 2017 at 6.30 pm - TBC

Location – TBC

Minutes taken by: Roger Whiteley – Branch Secretary

Approved.....Edinburgh Branch AGM 2017



Edinburgh Branch

Chairman's Report for 2015-16

Branch meetings

The mainstay of the events organised by the BCS Edinburgh Branch is our Wednesday evening lecture series. These are driven by interests and demands, and if anyone has a topic they feel we should explore, or a site to visit, please contact a committee member.

This year is a month shorter than last since we decided to bring the AGM forward to be closer to our financial year end in August. Over the past 11 months we have held 12 events. We are, of course, very grateful to the School of Informatics for allowing us to use their facilities at reduced cost and to NCR for supporting our refreshments in the past.

First Lego League

For the past few years we have been sponsoring the Edinburgh tournament of the First Lego League. This year our funding assisted the girls of Leith Primary attend the UK & Ireland finals along with four other Scottish regional finalists. One of those, West Linton Primary School, went on play at the world finals where they won the World Cup Prize for Innovation.

BCS-in-Scotland

The BCS-in-Scotland group consists of the chairs of the four Scottish branches, together with BCS Specialist Group chairs resident in Scotland and other prominent BCS individuals in Scotland. Its purpose is to improve the BCS presence and visibility in Scotland and is partially funded by the branch.

The Young Software Engineer of the Year Awards are organised by ScotlandIS, the trade body for the digital technologies industry, and are given to the best final year undergraduate software engineering projects, drawn from across all students studying computer science and software engineering in Scotland. The BCS-in-Scotland group has again sponsored the £2000 second prize which will be announced on the 6th of October.

And finally ...

All the people on the BCS Edinburgh Branch Committee are volunteers and donate their time and energy free of charge. Without them we would not have a BCS Edinburgh Branch or a programme of events, courses and visits. If you have any suggestions for events or sponsorship please let us know. We are your branch.

Paul Rattray
3rd October 2016



Edinburgh Branch

Treasurer's Report and Accounts for 2015-2016

A draft copy of the accounts for the financial year 1 September 2015 - 31 August 2016 are attached.

The HQ allocation was £7,342 a higher than that for 2014-15 allocation of £6,733.

We also raised £2,000 in SFRs compared to £15,950 in 2014-15.

Income from Professional awareness courses was down from £9,930 to £3,455.

However expenditure was also down from £21,605 to £11,559.

All this has resulted in us being in surplus by £1,238.

This is a significant improvement on the 2014-2015 surplus of £11,008.

BCS does not like branches to be in significant surplus as it ties up money that could have been used by other branches. However we are still at a 13% surplus and the target figure is +/-5%.

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HQ allocation	£4,500	£6,733	£7,342
SFRs	£10,250	£15,950	£2,000
Income	£5,686	£9,930	£3,455
Total Budget	£20,436	£32,613	£12,797
Expenditure	-£12,364	-£21,605	-£11,559
Surplus	£8,072	£11,008	£1,238

Out allocation for 2016-2017 has been approved and is £15,732 which includes both Lego League and Scotland IS Young Software Award.

Jonathan Shenton
4 October 2016

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT

Edinburgh Branch AGM 2016-2017

Agenda - AGM

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About BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT

- Formed in 1957
- Received its Royal Charter in 1984
- International awarding body for qualifications – Accredits University degrees, ISEB practitioner qualifications and sets its own academic Higher Education Qualification (HEQ)
- Around 70,000 members in over 100 countries
- The awarding body for Chartered IT Professional (CITP) status
- Route to Chartered Engineer (CEng) and Chartered Scientist (CSci)
- UK's leading professional body for those working in ICT

Promotes wider social and economic progress through the advancement of information technology, science and practice.

For a background film please visit:

<http://www.bcs.org/content/conWebDoc/32125>

Chair's Report for 2015-2016

Summary – full text is contained in the chair's report

- Mainstay Activity - Branch Meetings – thanks to Dept. of Informatics for use of the facilities – summary of events follows.
- First Lego League – sponsorship of the Edinburgh tournament – Leith Primary went on to the UK finals and another Scottish regional winner won the Innovation Prize at the World Finals
- BCS-in-Scotland – supports ScotlandIS with funding for the second prize [£2000] of Young Software Developer of the Year – announced tomorrow, 6th October

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Branch Activities 2015-2016

- Presentations during General Meetings covering a variety of topics:
 - Coding,
 - Coding Team performance
 - Development Practices e.g. DevOps and extra events
- Sponsor of First Lego League – detail in Chair’s Report
- Sponsor of Young Software Engineer of the Year – run by ScotlandIS and awarded at the Scotsoft Jamboree

Finance

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Branch Meeting Statistics

Number of Meetings held since the last AGM:

9 General Meetings (Held at Edinburgh University Informatics Forum)

Average Attendance:	BCS Members	20.0
(General Meetings)	Non-BCS	22.6
	Total	42.6

Extra Events

“BCS Code of Conduct: How does it matter to you?”

Joint BCS Edinburgh / BCS Ethics SG / Napier University

"Conference on Cryptography and Higher Performance Computing"

Joint BCS Edinburgh / The Cyber Academy

(Held at Napier University - 250 registered, 150 attended)

Elections

- Chair standing for re-election – Paul Rattray
- Treasurer standing for re-election – Jonny Shenton
- Hon Secretary standing for re-election – Roger Whiteley
- Committee Members
 - Allan Davidson
 - Kevin Chalmers
 - Kevin Fisher
 - Lee Parry
 - Margus Lind
 - Mike Hurst
 - Seb Rose
- Stood down – Mark Westwood

New Committee Member Election

- Members of the BCS now have an opportunity to stand for election
 - Pause for rush...
- Non-members who have a specific interest in helping the BCS Branch organise event can be co-opted at the Committee's discretion

Thanks and any questions?

