

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the ICA on 8 December, 2007

Attendance: Vivienne Eka, David Wardrop, Patricia Rogers, Ryan Gawn, Libby Gordon, Catherine Pluygers, Prince Buer Ayree, Keith Hindell, William Say, Perri Mahmood and guests.

1] Apologies for absence

Lord Judd, June Stubbs, Phil Willis MP, Ben Whitaker, Sir John Osborn, Sir Patrick Cormack MP

2] Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24 October 2006 These were agreed as a true record.

3] Matters arising There were none.

4] Presentation of Annual Report 2006-2007 The Chairman tabled the report. Following discussion, the report was adopted.

5] Presentation of the Accounts for the years ended 31 March 2006 and 2007 The Hon. Treasurer presented the Accounts. Following discussion, the adoption of the Accounts was proposed by David Wardrop and seconded by Catherine Pluygers.

6] Revisions to the Branch Constitution Revisions were proposed by Paul Mrazek and seconded by Catherine Pluygers. After debate, it was agreed that the proposed revisions should be augmented, requiring amendments to the constitution to be agreed by a two thirds majority and that the AGM quorum should be 15 members. Those present recommended that the revised proposals be presented to an Extraordinary General Meeting to be appended to a forthcoming Branch meeting. (Note: no such meeting has taken place).

7] Appointment of auditor for the year 2007-2008 It was agreed that this decision should be taken by the incoming Executive Committee.

8] Election of Officers for the year 2007-2008 The following were elected

Joint Presidents: Baroness Cox of Queensbury
Lord Russell-Johnston
Lord Judd of Portsea

Joint Vice-Presidents: Rt Hon Jeremy Thorpe PC Ben Whitaker
Elizabeth MacKeith Juliet Colman
HH Prince Mohsin Ali Khan Granville Fletcher

Chairman: David Wardrop

Vice-Chairman: Paul Mrazek, Patricia Rogers

Honorary Secretary: Ryan Gawn, (Deputy Secretary, Elizabeth Gordon)

Honorary Treasurer: Patricia Rogers (Deputy Treasurer, Ryan Gawn)

Committee: Rudi Albeza Prince Buer Ayree
Marivere Furneaux Perri Mahmood
Vivienne Eka William Say
Bianca Madison-Vuleta Catherine Pluygers
Michael Rossi

Co-options: Dave Crookenden Peter Greaves

9] Any Other Business There was none.

The meeting was followed by a scheduled screening in the *We the Peoples* film festival.