

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the East Anglian Local Section Trust of the Royal Society of Chemistry**

Online using Zoom (via Cocoa Runners), 18:30, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021

1. Welcome to the Annual General Meeting
  - 1.1. Phil Grace (Chairman) opened the meeting, introduced himself and welcomed 37 people to our first online AGM.
2. Apologies
  - 2.1. Apologies received from Martin Biggs
3. The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
  - 3.1. The Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 were accepted as a true record of that meeting.
4. Matters arising
  - 4.1. One member asked, via the chat, that the format of the time in the minutes be corrected to 18:32.
5. Chairman's report
  - 5.1. The Chairman read his report and a copy is attached.  
There were no questions or queries raised.
6. Treasurer's report
  - 6.1. The Treasurer gave her report – a copy is attached.
  - 6.2. There were no questions or queries raised.
7. Election of Committee Members
  - 7.1. One new member was duly elected to the committee, having submitted a personal statement to the RSC network team: Dr Randal Richards. Phil welcomed him to the committee and Randal briefly introduced himself to the committee and online members.
8. Presentation of RSC 40 year membership gold badges
  - 8.1. Phil announced the names of members who will receive a letter and gold badge from the RSC when the Cambridge office re-opens; Mr Christopher Carter, Dr Eric Paterson, Mr Robert Settle, Professor David Evans.
  - 8.2. Phil announced that it had come to our attention that some people had not received their gold badge and that if this has happened to you, or anyone you know, to please let the committee or RSC know.

8.3. Roger Wood noted that when you reach 50 years membership, your RSC membership fee (not CChem) is waived!

9. Any other business

- 9.1. Phil asked that if anyone had any other online event formats that members would like to take part in, aside from our new webinar series, please do contact us on [rsc.eastanglia@gmail.com](mailto:rsc.eastanglia@gmail.com)
- 9.2. John Dawson advertised the next Webinar that will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7pm; Hooshang Zavareh will be presenting on “How to start up and succeed as an independent consultant”.

The meeting closed at 18:55 for everyone to set themselves up for the Cocoa Runners Chocolate Tasting.

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