

British Accounting and Finance Association (BAFA)

Annual Meeting 2015 Minutes

Annual Meeting convened pursuant to and governed according to the provisions of the Constitution of the British Accounting and Finance Association (last amended 17th April 2012)

Date and time: Tuesday 24th March 2015 at 3.00pm

Location: University Place, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL

Chairperson: Christine Helliar

There being a quorum present, the Chairperson called the meeting to order. Referring the notice and agenda for the meeting which had been disseminated via the BAFA web-site, the Chairperson introduced the business of the meeting.

1. Minutes of the previous annual meeting

Minutes the Annual Meeting held on 15th April 2014 in London had been available for download from the BAFA web-site in advance of the meeting. The current meeting considered those minutes; and resolved by vote (*nemine contradicente*) to accept those minutes without any amendment being required.

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

3. Trustees' report and accounts

The meeting received the annual report of the trustees and the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2014, which had been available for download from the BAFA web-site in advance of the meeting.

4. Appointment of independent examiner

The meeting resolved by vote (*nem. con.*) to reappoint J Marshall of Barber Harrison and Platt, 2 Rutland Park, Sheffield, S10 2PD to be independent examiner of the BAFA accounts for the year ending 31st December 2015 and to report to the next Annual Meeting.

5. Appointment of trustees

- a. The meeting resolved by vote (*nem. con.*) to appoint Lisa Jack to be Vice-president of BAFA for a period of one year from 1st May 2015 and then President for a period of two years from 1st May 2016.
- b. The meeting resolved by vote (*nem. con.*) to reappoint Richard Jackson to be General Secretary of BAFA for a period of three years from 1st May 2015.
- c. The meeting resolved by vote (*nem. con.*) to reappoint Christine Helliar to be a Non-executive Trustee of BAFA for a period of two years from 1st May 2015.
- d. The meeting resolved by vote (*nem. con.*) to reappoint David Otley to be a Non-executive Trustee of BAFA for a period of two years from 1st May 2015.

The notice and agenda of the meeting had noted the continuation of the following as Trustees: Gloria Agyemang and Brian Singleton-Green as Non-executive Trustees of BAFA until 30th April 2016; John Cullen as President of BAFA until 30th April 2016; and Linda Lewis as Treasurer of BAFA until 30th April 2016.

6. Any other business

- i. The Chairperson invited expressions of interest to re-establish an executive committee for the Corporate Governance SIG – those interested to contact the Chairperson or the General Secretary after the meeting or by email.
- ii. The Chairperson led the whole meeting in expressing special thanks to BAFA's Administrator, Kathryn Hewitt, for her long and dedicated service to the association, and her constant and outstanding helpfulness to members of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee and the membership in general.

There being no further business, the Chairperson thanked the members of the association present for their attendance at the annual meeting and their involvement in transacting its business. The Chairperson then closed the meeting, and yielded the floor for announcement of the *British Accounting Review Prizes*.