103rd Annual General Meeting: 22nd September 2018

Held in the Lecture Theatre, Trinity Hall, at 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

In the Chair: Mr Roger McKinlay, President

1. Some 27 members were present. Apologies had been received from Mr Colin Hayes and Mr David Lock.

2. The minutes of the 102nd Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September 2017 had been circulated and were duly approved with one dissenting voice and signed by the President. Under matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda the Secretary pointed out that the College flag was flying for the occasion.

3. Election of President:

Roger McKinlay was unanimously re-elected as President of the Association.

4. Committee Members:

a) The President noted the retirement of Michael Womack (1996) and David Lock (2006) from the Committee and thanked them for their contribution to the Association

b) The Secretary proposed the appointment of Dr David Billett (1968) to the Committee. This was seconded by Bob Ely and carried nem con.

c) The Secretary proposed the appointment of the Revd Cortland Fransella (1967) to the Committee. This was seconded by the Revd William Shaw and carried nem con.

5. Secretary’s report: the Secretary spoke briefly to his report which had been published on the College website calling particular attention to:

- the dinner at Penshurst Place hosted by Philip Sidney (2009);
- the dinner at the Mary Rose Museum hosted by Chris Dobbs (1976);
- the drinks reception in the Long Room at Lord’s Cricket Ground;
- the forthcoming dinner to be held at the Hepworth in Wakefield;
- our gratitude to the staff of the Alumni and Development Office for their unflagging support and to the Master who had attended every one of our events during the year;
- our gratitude to the Bursar and his team for their management of our endowment.
6. Financial report: the Financial Officer spoke to the draft accounts for the year July 2017 to June 2018. He reported that:

- the accounts showed a significant increase in income from the endowment which had become known eight days previously, he had been expecting to report a loss over the year but that had been replaced by a surplus;
- the Committee will need to determine what to do with the increased income;
- we had spent less on volunteer awards than planned, primarily as a result of one award not being taken up.

A number of questions were raised by members:

QN: Are we a registered charity? ANS: No.

QN: Are the volunteer awards in line with the Association’s objectives? ANS: Yes they are and are very much in line with Dennis Avery’s intent and he was the source of the inspiration for them.

QN: Who owns the endowment? ANS: The understanding is that the endowment is vested in the Master and Fellows while beneficial ownership is effectively enjoyed by the members of the Association.

QN: Do we have to take all the income from the endowment? ANS: Income from the endowment that is not otherwise spent is held in an expendable current account.

7. Any other business

Mr Bob Ely (1950) proposed a vote of thanks to the President and his team.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 6:59 pm.