



**EPRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
AT THE STONEBRIDGE MANOR HOTEL
ON SUNDAY JANUARY 2012**

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MINUTES
2012

Chairman:	Sue Mitchell	General Secretary:
Vice Chairman:	Phil Turner	John H. Hope
Treasurer:	Jason Davies	
Exam Secretary:	Robert Shore	

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Meeting Opened at 1.05pm

1. Chairman

1.1 The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all the Delegates.

1.2 *Apologies:*

Apologies were received from: S.Baker (R2), Y. Armitage (R2), K. Armitage (R2), D. Taylor (R3), R. Hyett (R6), S. Mitchell (R7), J. Shapland (R8) & J. Arnold (R8).

2. Attendees

2.1 *Present*

Officers:

Phil Turner (Vice Chair), John H. Hope (General Secretary), Jason Davies (Treasurer) & Robert Shore (Exam Secretary)

Delegates:

Simon Baker (R1), Richard Rhodes (R2), Carol Vinyard (R4), Peter Hallett (R5), Mark Compton (R6) & Dominique Chiu (R7)

Members:

Peter Arundale (R2), Christine Robins (R2) & Jon Baxter (R7)

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

Proposed a true record: Richard Rhodes (R2) Seconded: Peter Hallett (R5)
Voting: Unanimous

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

No Matters Arising

5. Chairman's Report (Acting)

The Chairman's report was read in full and precede as follows;

Welcome to the 2012 AGM.

In what has been a very busy year, thanks go to Jason Davies for his work in producing the long awaited ID Cards. Also to John Hope who has been handed a baptism of fire and has behaved in a professional and efficient manner.

There has been a reasonable turnout of referees for EPA events, including newly qualified referees who have acquitted themselves admirably.

2011 was a good year for examinations and thanks go to examiners for their work, we hope it continues in the future.

Relationships with the EPA have been very good and we hope that the hard work will not be lost and that the good relationship will continue.

Thanks go to the County and Regional Delegates for their work in 2011.

Thanks to all Executive Officers and Committee members for their hard works over this year.

On a sad note one of our long standing Region 2 referees, Brian Jennings, passed away in 2011, our thoughts and condolences go out to his family.

6 Finance Report

6.1 *Report*

Summary

The accounts for the year ended 31st October 2011 showed a net worth of £6401.15p. The income over expenditure for the year was £-895.38p.

Although the accounts show loss of around £900, over half of this is a one off cost of the new membership card system.

The other major increase was the cost of meetings, which has increased by approx. £300. This is a mixture of increased EPA meeting attendance and travel expenses to Delegates for National Meetings.

6.2 Notes

- (i) During the transition between old and new General Secretarys, there is a discrepancy of 5 Blazer Badges, these have been written off.
- (ii) Cheque to Chris Longley (£50) re: 2009 Audit has never been cashed. Debt now written off.
- (iii) Cheque to Sue Mitchell (£22.50) June 2011, now cashed (after end of financial year)
- (iv) Cheque to David Taylor (£29.10) not cashed to date.
- (v) Both Creditors are early paments for 2011-12 events.
- (vi) £168.00 owed by IPA (2009-10) now paid.

Full details of the accounts are available online at www.epra8ball.org.uk.

7 Examination Secretary's Report

2011-AGM Examination Secretary's report.

The Total number of Candidates taking exams during 2011 was 86, 30% up on last year.

Eight E grade exams were conducted, a total of 37 candidates took part, 26 passed with a mark of 80% or better. The success rate of 70.27% is a good result, just up on last year rate of 66.67%.

Thirteen D grade exams were conducted; a total of 49 candidates took part, 17 passed with a mark of 85% or better. The success rate of 34.69% was again just up on last year

Region 1 held 1 exam Region 2 held 6, Region 3 held 2, Region 4 held 1, Region 6 held 3.

Region 7 held 5. This year Regions 5 & 8 did not hold any exams

I am pleased to confirm Dominique Chui as an examiner for Region 7.

Peter Arundale and Richard Rhodes from Region 2 are yet to complete a 'solo' exam.

Carol Vinyard and John-Paul Eames have been issued with the examiners package, but as yet have not organised an examination where they can be assessed.

My thanks to all examiners for their work in 2011, looking forward to another good year in 2012.

Any other established members who are interested in becoming examiners should contact me by letter or e-mail.

The sale of Rules & Guidance are buoyant, should anyone wish to purchase books should contact myself, or any examiner

After a few teething problems the system for issuing ID cards for new members is in place.

Anyone passing the D grade is advised to send either a digital picture by e-mail or actual passport style photo to myself.

E grade candidates are advised that an ID will be issued upon them registering their membership upon paying their fee for the year following their exam.

A full list of examiners can be found on our Website www.epra8ball.org.uk

8. Motions for Debate

None Received

9. Election of Officers

January 29th 2012

CHAIRPERSON:

3 Year Period

Position Vacant

Sue Mitchell

Proposed by: Christine Robins (R2)

Seconded by: Jason Davies (R7)

Vote for: 11

Vote against: 0

Abstained: 1

Proposal Carried. Sue Mitchell elected as EPRA Chairperson.

Meeting closed at : 1:35pm