

Agenda item 5 - Nominations for the Officers of the Association

There were three vacancies. Those of President and Honorary Secretary were not filled. The position of Chairman had a single nomination of Bernard Godding, proposed by Judith Robinson, seconded by Brian Groombridge who retains the title of President Emeritus

Agenda item 10 - Appointment of Examiner of Accounts

The ECA National Executive Committee proposes that Sexty & Co. of Norwich be re-appointed as the Examiner of Accounts of the Association.

Proposed: NEC

Agenda item 11 – AGM Motions

1. Membership Fees 2010

In the light of the present financial situation nationally this meeting: -

1. Accepts the recommendation of the Hon Treasurer that membership fees should continue at their present level for 2010
2. Affirms the authority given to the NEC at the last AGM to take whatever steps are necessary to maintain the ECA as a Membership Body, including the reduction or waiving of fees for individuals or organisations which make a significant contribution to the Association and to maintain a register of such alternative contributions
3. Recognises the value of such individual contributions of time to the work of the Association and calls on all Members to increase their commitment in lieu of paying additional fees.
4. Invites all members, including those in Honorary Membership, to make voluntary donations to support the work of the Association.

Proposed: NEC

2. Conclusion of Every Action Counts

This meeting recognises the successful contribution of the ECA staff to the national Every Action Counts Partnership. It regrets that this success has not been reflected in the award of future funding in this critical period leading up to December's Inter-governmental Conference on Climate Change in Copenhagen and supports the NEC in its continuing partnership efforts to address this issue through adult learning initiatives.

Proposed: NEC

3. Climate change and CONFINTEA Agenda

This meeting welcomes the initiative of the National Chairman in attending, as member of the European Association for the Education of Adults (EAEA) delegation, the 40th Anniversary conference of DVV International. It recognises his contribution to the efforts of the International Council for Adult Education (ICAE) in promoting the understanding that climate change is one of the main challenges faced by all societies. In particular his recognition of the specific challenges it presents to the field of adult education and advocacy for a direct link between UNESCO's December meeting, Confintea VI in Brazil and the later Copenhagen conference.

It further congratulates UNESCO on maintaining the twelve-yearly cycle of international adult education conferences over a period of sixty years.

Proposed: Walt Crowson

Seconded: Christianne Wakeham

4. Hall of Fame of the International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)

This meeting acknowledges the Association's debt of gratitude to Professor Brian Groombridge for his inspiration and leadership over nearly six decades. It now congratulates him on his entry to the 'Hall of Fame' of the International Council for Adult Education (ICAE) and wishes him many more happy and successful years in pursuit of his personal mission.

Proposed: Naomi Godding

Seconded: Paul Olver

5. Government Office for Science – Foresight Project

This meeting recognises the great importance attaching to the Mental Capital and Wellbeing Project of the Government Chief Scientist. In particular it welcomes the professorial contributions of ECA Member, Alan Tuckett, *Director of NIACE* and ECA President Emeritus, Brian Groombridge as members of the High Level Stakeholder Group, together with Past President, John Field *Co-Director, Centre for Research in Lifelong Learning, Stirling Institute of Education, University of Stirling* as a member of the project's Core Group of Scientific Advisers.

Proposed: NEC

6. Charitable Incorporated Organisations

This meeting expresses concern at the extended delay in the issue of regulations for Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIO) and calls on the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) and the Community Sector Coalition (CSC) to press this matter with the relevant government departments for early resolution.

Proposed: NEC