## **BRITISH SOCIETY FOR CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH**

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

held at The Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, Lambeth Road,

London on Thursday 3 December 1992 at 5.30 pm

(This was the First General Meeting of the Society as a Registered Charity)

There were approximately 40 members present.

- 1. Minutes of the last AGM and the SGM held on 10 April 1992 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 2. Matters Arising:
- (a) The Chairman reported that we are now Registered Charity No 101141. This had imposed upon us the need to approve a formal constitution and this was done at the SGM. Further requirements were (i) an Annual Report that was being compiled, (ii) audited accounts also in progress and (iii) formal votes on local rules such as subscriptions.
- (b) A proposal that the quorum at this General Meeting be 30 members was accepted.
- (c) The local rules as amended by the Committee (Appendix 1 to the Committee minutes) were approved.
- (d) Existing Committee members were confirmed in office. The appointment of Dr Coker as Honorary Secretary and Dr England as Honorary Treasurer were noted.
- 3. Chairman's Report
- (a) Meetings held in 1992 and planned for 1993 were noted as described in the Annual Report (Appendix 1 to these minutes). The decision to hold MM96 in Liverpool was also announced.
- (b) Sponsorship of £25,000 pa for 3 years had been arranged with Rhône-Poulenc Rorer. The meeting welcomed this news. One possible use for this would be free introductory subscriptions for BCS members.
- (c) Opportunities for Free Communications and Travel Bursaries continued to be taken up in disappointingly small numbers. The Chairman encouraged members to consider these schemes.
- 4. A statement of accounts for the calendar year was presented. From next year on, audited accounts for the financial year would be presented. The deficit on current spending was noted although the imminent sponsorship with RPR promised to ameliorate the situation. The large proportion of members who were not renewing subscriptions promptly or updating standing orders was noted.

The meeting reappointed Messrs Wilson Braithwaite Scholey of 21 St Paul's St, Leeds, LS1 2ER as auditors for 1992/3.

- 5. (a) The Secretary reported that the mailing list presently contained 540 names although 44 had not paid a subscription for 1990, 101 had not paid for 1991 and 170 others had paid an incomplete subscription for 1992. In view of the cost of servicing members, those in arrears would shortly be removed from the mailing list.
- (b) The results of elections for the Committee were as follows:

Metin Avkiran	68
Nicholas Flores Suzanna Hardman	51 52
Peter Weissberg	78

- (c) The retirement from the Committee of Drs Newby, Boyett and Cummins and Professor Fox was noted. These committee members were thanked for their contribution to the BSCR.
- (d) There would be a need to elect a new Chairman and up to 3 Committee members in 1993.
- 6. The Bulletin editors reported a successful year with a substantial expansion of the size of the Bulletin. More submissions of short reviews and lab profiles were sought. The need for all to adhere to submission deadlines was also noted.
- 7. There being no other business, the date of the next AGM was set as 29 or 30 October 1993 in Edinburgh.

Signed:

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Dated: 28.(0.93.