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General Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on

Tuesday 6 December 2011 at 1835

at the BPA Office, Wharf Way, Glen Parva, Leicester LE2 9TF

Present:	Martin Soulsby	-	Chairman
	Paul Applegate		
	Liz Ashley	-	Editor, Skydive the Mag
	Karen Bain		
	Adrian Bond		
	Kieran Brady		
	Tony Butler		
	Debbie Carter	-	Treasurer (from item 2)
	Richard Head		
	John Hitchen		
	Ian Marshall		
	Paul Moore		
	John Page		
	Craig Poxon		
	Steve Saunders		
	Mark Skarratts		
	Weed Stoodley		
	James Swallow		
In attendance:	Jon Gretton	-	Company Secretary & Financial Administrator
	Helen Lucas	-	Administration Secretary
	Martin Shuttleworth	-	Secretary-General
Apologies for absence:	John Hitchen		
	John Smyth MVO		

Item Minute

1 Accounts

The accounts for the year 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 had been discussed and approved in draft by the Council (minute 51.1) and circulated to the membership with the October 2011 issue of *Skydive the Mag*.

Weed Stoodley proposed, and Paul Applegate seconded, a motion that the accounts should be formally approved and adopted. This carried unanimously.

Accounts Approved and Adopted

2 Auditors

John Page then proposed, and Richard Head seconded, a motion that Progress Accountants LLP be re-appointed as auditors and that the Council be authorised to fix their remuneration for the next financial year.

Carried unanimously

3 Student Provisional Membership and Temporary Membership Subscriptions 2012/13

Debbie Carter (Treasurer) reported that the BPA had negotiated with the insurers for the insurance premium for the next membership year to be 5% lower. She recommended that BPA

element of the subscription should be subject to the usual increase of 3%, even though inflation was now running at around 5%. She tabled a document setting out the new subscription rates that resulted from these percentage variations.

The insurance element was subject to the insurers' usual caveat of there being no significant additional insurance claims between now and the start of the new membership year on 1 April 2012.

The overall effect was a year-on-year *reduction* of 55p in the Student Provisional Membership subscription, and a *reduction* of 50p in the Temporary Membership subscription, as set out in the table below. Ian Marshall proposed, and Paul Moore seconded, a motion to agree these subscription rates.

Subscription summary 2012/13 (2011/12 rates in brackets)

	Gross £	BPA £	VAT £	Insurance £
Student Provisional Membership	21.00 (21.55)	6.87 (6.68)	-	14.13 (14.87)
Temporary Membership (1 month)	22.15 (22.65)	6.68 (6.48)	1.34 (1.30)	14.13 (14.87)

Carried unanimously

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1845.