

POSTURE & MOBILITY GROUP
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2010
7th June 2010 at SECC, Glasgow

Chair: Nigel Shapcott (NS)
Vice-chair: Helen Hislop (HH)
Treasurer: Henry Lumley (HL)

1. Apologies: none received

2. Minutes of the AGM 2009

Barend ter Haar (BtH) suggested an amendment to Treasurer's Report minute 3iv(b) final sentence, to read: *"If this is the case, the net surplus for PMG as a whole in 2009, once costs taken into account, would be break even."* Jane Chantry proposed that this amendment be made and the minutes accepted; BtH seconded. Minutes approved, with no votes against.

3. Treasurer & Membership Secretary's report presented by HL.

HL announced that he is standing down as PMG treasurer and gave thanks to Rakesh Shukla for volunteering to take on the role. 2009 Accounts had been distributed to members ahead of the meeting. Also available to download from PMG website.

Various items noted: -

- i) Because of changes to the method of accounting the PMG research fund, the net profit shown on report is £16K;
- ii) Net reserves for 2009 are £95.5K;
- iii) Profit on 2009 conference was £95K approx;
- iv) Standing orders of £10 are still being received from members and previous members, which are being regarded by PMG as donations, and will not be refunded;
- v) Direct Debits may be a way of maintaining membership funds which are not possible to predict with the online subs method;
- vi) Income from interest on cash holdings has dropped in line with the national trend;
- vii) Research Fund: liabilities are to be shown, rather than what has actually been spent;
- viii) Reserves are down over the period of HL tenure as treasurer. However £75K has been put into the research fund and £25K spent on website development during that period.

Dave Long proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted, and Kirsty-Ann Cutler seconded. The motion was carried, with no votes against. NS thanked HL for his service.

4. Chair's Report

- i) NS reported on the various activities of the group. (See webcast of AGM for details).
- ii) HH reported that Mark Oaten will not be replaced as PMG political adviser. HH will start a consultation process with members on how best to proceed with PMG's political agenda.

Henry Lumley proposed acceptance of the Chair's report, seconded by Pam Harper. The motion was carried, with no votes against.

5. Vice chair report on PMG governance

HH reported that work has started on various policy documents and guidelines to ensure the transparent operation of PMG, with job descriptions being developed for key posts.

6. New committee members

Agreed that all 3 members nominated for executive committee 2010/11 be voted in: Jane Chantry, James Hollington and Rakesh Shukla. Thanks to David Porter who is standing down after 6 years on Executive Cttee, but will remain on the R&D sub-committee.

7. Service Years

- i) Agreed that after a period of 6 years on executive committee, a member may stand again for a further term after an interlude of one year.
- ii) Discussion on whether the post of NTE chair should be given officer status. Dave Long will take the matter to 2011 AGM.

8. A.O.B: NS announced that he is standing down as PMG chair due to pressure of new job. HH thanked him on behalf of the group for his hard work. HH to oversee election of new chair.

9. Date of next AGM: 12.40pm, 15/04/ 2011 at Warwick Arts Centre, Coventry.

NB The AGM is available to view in full via the 2010 conference webcasts. Check the regular ebulletins for information on how to access the webcasts, or see the instructions on page 2 of PMG journal 27:2.