

Minutes of Annual General Meeting, Monday 1st June 2009, Fulwood Room, University House, 1pm

Steve Collier welcomed all present to the meeting.

Item 2 and 3: Anna Symington and Andrew Madden agreed to act as tellers

Item 4: Mick Ashman and Steve Ludlam agreed to act as tellers

1. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 6 June 2008 were accepted. There were no matters arising.

2. Annual Reports

Written reports were received from the President, Secretary and Membership Secretary. Written reports on activity relating to Health & Safety, Equalities/Diversity, Contract Research Staff were also received.

Mick Ashman gave an overview of the personal case workload being experienced at the moment. It was noted that there was an increase in the number of cases being dealt with by UCU that involve student complaints against staff.

A motion from the Treasurer and seconded by the Senior Vice President proposing the continuation of the local levy of 70pence per month was unanimously agreed.

3. Election of SUCU Officers 2009

The following officers were elected unanimously:

Position	Name	Internal phone	Email address
President	Steve Collier	20409	Steve.Collier@shef
Senior Vice President	Steve Ludlam	21665	S.Ludlam@shef
Vice President	Mick Ashman	29769	M.Ashman@shef
Vice President	Craig Brandist	27413	C.S.Brandist@sheff
Honorary Sec	Gillian Brown	26425	Gillian.Brown@shef
Assistant Honorary Secretary (personal cases)	Tracey Clarke	27280	T.Clarke@shef
Honorary Membership Secretary (membership/rep liaison)	Daragh O'Reilly	23442	D.T.Oreilly@shef

Honorary Treasurer	Jonathan Perraton	23408	J.Perraton@shef
Equalities/Diversity Officer	Jane Simm	20921	J.M.Simm@shef

4. Election of Ordinary Committee

The following committee members were elected unanimously:

Name	Started	Email address
Andrew Madden	June 06	A.D.Madden@shef
Kaye Carl	June 06	B.K.Carl@shef
Anna Symington	June 09	A.Symington@shef
Richard Canning	June 07	R.Canning@shef
Dave Patrick	June 09	D.G.Patrick@shef
Julian Crockford	June 09	Julian.Crockford@shef

There are currently 3 vacancies for co-opted members of the committee.

5. Any Other Business

Personal casework training: locally available training will be arranged in the near future and those interested were asked to indicate their willingness to get involved.

Pay and job security: Steve Collier responded to a question regarding the current state of the pay and job security dispute. It was noted that UCU will continue to press the employers for an improved package over the next few months. Any further ballot on industrial action to support this is likely to come in the Autumn now.

Liaison locally with other campus trades unions will continue to deal with the issues of job insecurity, increased number of restructures and rationalisation of departments/schools being experienced by members here at Sheffield.

Points-based immigration: issues being experienced by both staff and students were discussed. Concern regarding the ability of academic staff in this institution to invite both international staff and students to this country was voiced.