

# BCS Switzerland

## Minutes from the AGM– 20.10.2016, Zurich, Switzerland

Location: Swisscom – Muellerstrasse 16, 8004 Zürich

Date / Time: 20.10.2016: 18:45 – 20:06

### Participants

- Mike Bellhouse (MB – Chairperson)
- Peter Hurst (PH - Treasurer)
- Alex Curtis (AC - Webmaster)
- Paul Hicks (Paul H - Membership Secretary)
- Jeff Hunter (JH - Secretary)
- Gerry Lambert (GL - Committee)
- Olga Bashyyeva

### Excused

- Calvert Marshall - Committee Member
- Stefano Onofri - Committee Member
- Adebayo Ajayi (Bayo) - Committee Member

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- **Matters arising – MB (Chairperson) passed on the good wishes from Mike Lewis, our previous Web Master. The Committee intends to make contact, but only after Mike & Cristina have settled down / recovered from their up-coming house move.**
- **Minutes from the previous AGM were accepted.**
- **MB (Chairperson) gave a brief outline of the previous year, mentioning the poorly attended snooker event, and then the successful Sky Guide visit.**
- **JH (Secretary) repeated Mike Bellhouse’s request for more to take an active part in the suggestion and organisation of events.**
- **PH (Treasurer) noted that the BCS had not yet transferred any funds into our account this year and that he is contact with BCS HQ to resolve the situation. PH gave a brief overview of the balance left over from last year, and said that we should again plan for at least 3 events in this upcoming year. PH thinks to change the Banking provider, since they were unable to provide the accounts in time for this year’s AGM, due to changes in Banking practices regarding concerning the way that the account is administered. (We will look to approve this year’s finance in the next few weeks, once the Bank has been able to provide us all requested information).**
- **Paul Hicks (Membership Secretary) advised that we again this year, see a small drop in membership. The statistics are as follows:**

Current BCS Switzerland Demographics		
181	members	
115	with Swiss permanent addresses	
31	1000	Lausanne Geneva
8	3000	Berne
16	4000	Basel
3	5000	Argau
9	6000	Zug
2	7000	Graubunden
40	8000	Zurich
1	9000	St Gallen

- **AC (Webmaster), informed that the Web site is up and functional, and that he is able to send email updates via email, distro list. Jeff asked if It would be possible to mailshot those in neighbouring countries (Alex to check with BCS HQ)**
- **All members of the Committee were discharged and formally re-elected**
- **Applications to join the committee were gratefully received from Olga Bashyyeva, who looks to help out on the event side**
- **Events: Jeff gave an update of events possibilities (see below)**
- **AOB: None.**
- **The AGM was formally closed at 20:06, and then carried over to the AGM evening meal.**

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## Event Planning:

- IBM Research lab – IBM no longer offer this service. (Strictly Commercial)
- Google – Similarly, they do not offer visits per se (we would need to find someone there)
- Fifa Museum – GL mentioned that he had been before (little on offer for the BCS)
- Fab Lab – JH suggested that we get a small visit / tour of the labs (unanimous)
- IT Service Management – we thought this topic to be a bit „dry“ for a BCS event
- Visit to Company Pilatus (Canton NW) - Yes, there is interest as a summer event.
- Jeff raised some concerns, because of the distance / travel involved and lack of members in the vicinity.
- Peter offered to look at maybe reserving his company's Shuttle-bus
- Wadi brau – JH suggested that this could be a possibility (see IET event)
- Stamford consultants – JH can follow-up with this recruitment company
- Block chain – AC will follow-up this topic. Looks an interesting topic
- Sauber F1 Team – JH notes that the company is not offering these visits (only commercially)

We look to engage (email / survey) the members to see which events might work