

**BRITISH ORTHOPTIC SOCIETY TRADE UNION MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2020 VIA
MICROSOFT TEAMS, COMMENCING AT 14:03**

61 Attendees

- **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Catherine Gray, Margaret Hancock and Helen Fowlers.

- **Minutes**

The Minutes of the BOS TU AGM held on 1 May 2019 were proposed as a correct record by Angela Carlin, seconded by Joe Smith, and approved unanimously.

- **Chair's Report**

Veronica Greenwood noted Sam Aitkenhead had led on TU work since the contract was brought back in house since January 2019. She gave an overview of TU activity in this period, including continuing work supporting individual members as well as representation of the workforce nationally and at the TUC. She noted that the challenges of caused by COVID-19 had refocused priorities for 2020.

There were no questions on the Chair's Report.

- **Accounts**

Steve Doughy presented the Accounts, representing Crossley Accountants. It was noted that there was a healthy surplus for 2019 and BOSTU remains in good financial health.

It was questioned whether the addition of this surplus to the BIOS surplus would result in the necessary reserves. SD explained that the BOSTU accounts were calculated separately.

Angela Carlin proposed acceptance of the Accounts, Haseeb Ali seconded, and the Accounts were unanimously accepted.

- **Trustees**

Julie Dowdney presented the list of Trustees.

- Chair: Veronica Greenwood
- Vice-Chair: Julie Dowdney
- Midlands and East: Haseeb Ali (effective from AGM)
- Northern: Deborah Podmore (effective from AGM)
- Southern: Kelly MacKenzie
- Northern Ireland: Declan McClements
- Scotland: Angela Carlin
- Wales: Vacant

- BOSTU Advisor: Sam Aitkenhead

Veronica Greenwood thanked Sam Aitkenhead, for all her work as BOSTU Advisor, and her team of TU Reps.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 14:13.