



AFSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Herford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service HQ
2 Kings Court, Charles Hastings Way, Worcester
1100 hours 16th October 2009

1. Domestics, Introductions and Apologies

Welcome from Lucy Phillips DCFO H&W FRS.

Apologies as per General Meeting Note.

Short discussion on Proxy Voting.

Not necessarily a good idea as the block vote easily skews the result.

It was accepted that the suggestion had been made in good faith and in keeping with current understanding. Good arguments had been received as to why not to allow proxy voting. It was proposed that as it was likely to affect the vote for Vice Chair the vote should be held in abeyance until the Launch pending speaking with both candidates. Voters will have to be signed up members.

It was noted that Julie's contribution are always welcomed and valued.

All were asked to note that this would be the last opportunity to comment on and make amendments to the Constitution which would only be changed in the future by Extraordinary AGM.

2. Election of Chair

Voting on Chair and Vice held in abeyance pending agreement on Constitution. After lunch Zahoor was elected as Chair and it was agreed to have two Vice Chairs as model adopted by networking women.

3. Election of officials

Vice Chairs	- Jas Sokhal and Shilla Patel
General Secretary.	- Nina elected
Treasurer	- Tej elected
Vice Treasurer.	- Balbir elected
Minute Secretary.	- Wayne elected
Membership Secretary.	- Iain elected

Discussion on late nomination from Betty Cheung from London led to propose that given the size of the region it would be useful for her to be elected as Assistant Membership Secretary. It would be down to London Region to reconcile any conflict of roles.

Sponsorship Co-ordinator. - Jaz elected

Cultural Events Co-ords. - Jag and Pav elected

Charities
Diane

Co-
and



ordinators. –
Akwala elected

4. Recording of Regional Chairs

The title can be decided locally and elected and appointed by Regions. Its was agreed that the term Brigade rep should be changed to Service Rep . Positions could be agreed at the Executive meetings but have to be ratified by regions holding a formally meeting or via e-mail and telephone ASAP after Conference.

Regional Reps must be signed up members.

Role descriptors to be developed by Wayne and circulated for workshop discussion at Conference. It was agreed that local representatives would be known as Service Representatives.

NE	– Sultana
NW.	– Naveed
Yorkshire and Humberside.	- Harvinder Gill
East Midlands.	– Jaggit
West Midlands.	– Jaswender
East of England.	– Manjit
London.	– Shilla
SE.	– Shanti
SW.	– Rikki Moody
Wales.	– Sue Jones
Scotland.	– Wayne
Associate Members.	– Telent (Dharminder Thiara).

It was agreed that a formal contract is necessary for the main sponsor.

5. Presentation and Agreement of Accounts

Deferred till next meeting. Nina to work with Tej to have 2009 account summary that details national income and expenditure. This is particularly for the Derbyshire Development day.

6. Service Reps

At this point the Regional Chairs will inform the General Secretary of the Reps that they are aware of and have contacted. (See Spreadsheet)

7. Any other business:

- a. Constitution; Paragraph on Proxy Voting Deleted.

Apology offered and accepted by meeting from the Chair regarding his notification that proxy voting was appropriate.

Voting will be by show of hands by those eligible and present at the AGM.



Insert (S) against roles where multi-role holders is appropriate, alternatively insert Pg 3 Para 4.4 (16)

- b. Membership forms must be completed. London membership will be transferred where possible. Forms can be sent electronically but must be signed as soon as possible after. Consider doing this at conference.
- c. Dharminder nominated and elected as an Associate Member.

Wayne Mccolin