



**Annual General Meeting 2009
The Bowen Forum**

Saturday 16th January 2010 at 2pm
The Institute of Education, London

Minutes [Unconfirmed]

1. **Welcome by the Chairman:** The Chairman opened the meeting referring to the Chairman's Annual Report, paying tribute and giving thanks to the work of the Forum Members and Professional Associations over some ten years.
 - a. **Present:** John Lant (Chairman), Janet Barry, Maureen O'Mara, John Francis, Alistair Rattray (PSB), Martin Grasby, Nicola Hok, Sheila Whyles and Gillie La Haye (PSB)
 - b. **In Attendance:** Esau Rahim (Finance Officer)
 - c. **Invited Guest:** Maggie Dunn, Chief Executive and Registrar of the CNHC
 - d. **Apologies for absence:** David Howell, Angela Cannon, Sarena Baxter, Carole Justice, Ian Cambray Smith, Keith Cherrington, John Wilks, Nikke Ariff and Adam Buttery
2. **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 8th November 2008:** These were accepted as a true record of the proceedings. The motion to accept was Proposed by Maureen O'Mara and Seconded by Martin Grasby. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Chairman's Report 2008 & 2009:** The motion to accept was Proposed by John Francis and Seconded by Nicola Hok. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **To receive & adopt the Annual Report & Accounts 2008:** The motion to accept was Proposed by John Francis and Seconded by Sheila Whyles. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **To receive & adopt the Annual Report & Accounts 2009:** A motion to accept was Proposed by Maureen O'Mara and Seconded by John Francis. Motion carried unanimously. Thanks were expressed to Esau Rahim, the newly appointed financial officer for the Forum.
6. **Election of Officers & Committee Members:** it was agreed by those present that as this was the final AGM of the Bowen Forum, it would be appropriate to take Agenda items 8, 9, 10 and 11 as work to be undertaken by the newly constituted body, The Bowen Professional Forum. A new Constitution in 2010 and Terms of Reference would be required to be considered and agreed at the first meeting in early March 2010.
7. Appointment of Auditors (External Examiner): to follow
8. To fix the Auditor's remuneration: to follow
9. Date of next AGM to be arranged

The meeting closed at 2.30pm

The Post AGM Discussion

The AGM Chairman welcomed Maggie Dunn, Chief Executive and Registrar of the CNHC who provided an opportunity for discussion for those attending during which Bowen Therapy PSB Members were also present.

During the discussion, Maggie Dunn, Chief Executive and Registrar of the CNHC, announced that earlier this week three new CNHC Council appointees have been named after a public selection and interview process. One of the three successful appointees is John Lant, the current Chair of the Bowen Forum. His role with the Forum would therefore end at the AGM held today, a decision conveyed to the Forum at its last regular Forum meeting.

The discussion continued with an update of CNHC regulatory activities by Maggie Dunn, which was broad ranging and informative, emphasising the working relationship of the PSB and Bowen Professional Forum, to start work on 1.1.2010. Its first meeting will be on March 3rd 2010 at which officers would be elected and in particular a new Forum chair will need to be considered appointed.

Topics covered amongst others included CPD requirements for both Bowen specific and non specific eg First Aid or H & S, inclusivity of professional associations for Bowen therapy and disciplinary procedures already undertaken by the CNHC in relation to misleading advertising,

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