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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1984

The A.G.M. called for 6th April 1984 at the Booth Museum, Brighton, proved inquorate, with only 15 members present. After discussion it was decided to proceed with the business of the meeting, subject to future approval by a quorate A.G.M. later in 1984.

Minutes of a meeting of members of BCG held on 6th April 1984

1. Apologies were received from John Mathias, Geoff Halfpenny, Geoff Stansfield, Peter Davis, Charles Copp.
2. Minutes of the A.G.M. held on 25th March 1983 at the Hancock Museum, Newcastle, were read and approved (previously circulated Newsletter, Vol.3 part 6)
3. Secretary's Report. Penny Wheatcroft (Secretary) read her report, previously circulated in Newsletter, Vol.3, part 8.
4. Chairman's Report. Eric Greenwood (Chairman) read his report, previously circulated in Newsletter, Vol.3 part 8.
5. Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's report was circulated at the meeting. As John Mathias was absent, Eric Greenwood agreed to answer any questions arising from the report.
6. Editor's Report. Steve Garland (Editor) reported that there were no problems at present. He pointed out that short items were useful for filling in gaps in the Newsletter, in addition to major articles on collections etc. He also asked for a volunteer to sell advertising space in the Newsletter, and Peter Lambley volunteered to take this job on for one year. Geoff Hancock (Production Editor) raised a query regarding transposed page numbers and reported that there would be a publishers insert in the next issue.
7. Election of Officers and Committee. The following officers were nominated and returned unopposed.

Chairman E. Greenwood, nom. P. Wheatcroft, sec. I. Wallace
Secretary P. Wheatcroft, nom. E. Greenwood, sec. S. P. Garland
Treasurer J. Mathias, nom. P. Wheatcroft, sec. J. Dawson
Editor S. P. Garland, nom. D. Whiteley, sec. W. J. Lee.

The following nominations were received for five committee vacancies, and returned unopposed.

Members: I. Wallace, nom. E. Greenwood, sec. P. Wheatcroft
P. Davis, nom. K. Boot, sec. E. Goodhew
G. Stansfield, nom. J. Mathias, sec. M. Hider
A. Wright, nom. P. Wheatcroft, sec. K. Boot.

The Chairman thanked the three retiring members, H. Mendel, P. Morgan and M. Brendall. It was suggested that M. Brendall and G. Hancock be coopted for a further year, to act as BM.NH Liaison Officer and Production Editor respectively.

8. Date and Place of next meeting. It was agreed to held the substitute AGM during the BCG Seminar on Biological Records Centres to be held at Leicester in September 1984 when sufficient members should be present. It will be held at 5.00pm on 13th September 1984 (the first day of the meeting). There will be a proposal to adopt the decisions made at the inquorate meeting. However, as with a normal AGM further business may be raised ~~if~~ it is notified prior to the meeting as stated in the

Constitution (BCG Newsletter. Vo.3, No. 3, pp.132-134)

The A.G.M. for 1985 has already been proposed to coincide with a seminar on Historical taxidermy, to be held at Leicester Museum. However it was proposed that from 1986 the Annual General Meetings should alternate between London and country venues. It was agreed that the Committee would investigate this.

9. Any Other Business. There was no other business notified to the Secretary.

During informal discussion following the meeting it was agreed to investigate the procedure for dealing with an inquorate A.G.M., and amend the constitution of the group if necessary.