

Total Attendance: 78

Members: 47
 Board Members: 4
 Guests of Members: 10
 Guest Speakers: 4
 Staff Members: 10
 Volunteers: 2

Agenda Item			
1	<p>Welcome and apologies</p> <p>Present: Peter Hollingsworth, Stuart Roberts, John Sanders, Les Moore</p> <p>Apologies: Vicky Wilkins, Phill Jennison, Nigel Ajax-Lewis, Nick Mann, Lena Bayer-Wilfert</p>		
	<p>AGM VOTING RESULTS Total votes cast: 69</p>		
2	<p>Approval of the minutes of the 10th Annual General Meeting held on 10 Dec 2016.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION ONE Votes for: 63 Votes against: 0 Abstain: 6</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
3	<p>Approval of the Trustees' 10th Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2017.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION TWO Votes for: 69 Votes against: 0 Abstain: 0</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
4	<p>The Board proposes that Johnston Carmichael LLP of Suite A3, Stirling Agricultural Centre, Stirling, FK9 4RN is appointed Auditor to the Board for 2017-18.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION THREE Votes for: 68 Votes against: 0 Abstain: 1</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
5	<p>Special Resolution to amend the Articles of Association.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION FOUR Votes for: 69 Votes against: 0 Abstain: 0</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
6	<p>ELECTIONS TO THE BOARD</p>		
6.1	<p>The Board proposes that Nick Mann be appointed to the Board.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION FIVE Votes for: 67 Votes against: 1 Abstain: 1</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
6.2	<p>The Board proposes that Phill Jennison be appointed to the Board.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION SIX Votes for: 64 Votes against: 2 Abstain: 3</p>	<p>RESULT: The motion is passed</p>
6.3	<p>The Board proposes that Stuart Roberts be appointed to the Board.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION SEVEN Votes for: 68</p>	<p>RESULT:</p>

		Votes against: 0 Abstain: 1	The motion is passed
6.4	The Board proposes that Lena Bayer-Wilfert be appointed to the Board.	RESOLUTION EIGHT Votes for: 64 Votes against: 2 Abstain: 3	RESULT: The motion is passed
6.5	The Board proposes that Victoria Wilkins be appointed to the Board.	RESOLUTION NINE Votes for: 65 Votes against: 2 Abstain: 2	RESULT: The motion is passed
7	Any Other Business	No member resolutions were proposed.	

Member Questions

1. The question was raised of why only 69 members voted. Postal voting would be prohibitively expensive (and not environmentally justifiable) so voting is conducted online, however members have the option of requesting a postal voting form if wished. We will be looking at publicising the voting options further in advance of the 2018 AGM, and more emails will be sent as reminders.
2. A second question was about where to find the member number in order to vote. The member number is sent out with each letter communication and is also included in the email sent to all members with the voting information and links. It can also be retrieved by logging into the member portal or phoning the Membership department.
3. A member queried that as his member number is over 18,000 does that mean BBCT has lost 8,000 members? What is the retention of members? Fundraising Manager Claire Wales explained that a high member number does not indicate a high turnover as there are e-newsletter subscribers contained within the database system that are assigned numbers but aren't fully paid-up members. Claire explained that with the introduction of Direct Debit and switching members over that pay by cheque or standing order, we can achieve a much better retention.