



OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF LUXEMBOURG

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Annual General Meeting at David & Marilyn Clark, 17 ave. Guillaume, L-1651, Luxembourg 19:00. 10th March. 2014

- 1. By unanimous agreement Andrew Hallan, Harriet Stone and Henri Dupong were appointed respectively Chairman, Secretary and Scrutineer to the meeting.
- 2. The Chairman gave a brief report of the Society's activities in 2013 (see attached). He noted the Benelux Weekend as the highlight of this year's activities, welcoming 27 visitors from neighbouring Oxbridge societies as well as raising €1,032 for SOS Villages d'Enfants. Social events held by the society included a number of dinners as well as historical tours and lectures. We don't only hold events organised by the committee, and OUSL members Philippa and Edward Seymour organised a musical evening which helped raise €500 to support students at Oxford University, and a discussion dinner organised by Peter Carter.

Public interest events that promote the University included a public debate on the costs (social and economic) of eating meat, as well as our continued efforts in assisting applicants who wish to study at Oxford. Included in this are information events, school visits, manning a stand at the student fair and running practice interviews jointly with the Cambridge Society.

David Clark stood down as Chairman of the society in July, with Andrew Hallan being elected in his stead. Harriet Stone and Florian Heupel are new members of the committee, and Harriet the new Secretary.

- 3. Jan Könighaus presented the Treasurer's report for 2013 (see all attached). 2013 ended with a loss of €1,049.82 mainly due to a concert held at the end of the Benelux alumni weekend. Money was also deliberately used to hold public interest events such as Oxbridge information events, and a public debate. Expenditure on admissions support has gone up considerably from last year as we have invited external speakers to support these events. Administrative expenses have also risen due to higher fees for website and mailboxes. The accumulated fund for 2013 was €5.538.
- 4. Richard Goddard, our honorary auditor presented the accounts for 2013 and they were unanimously approved. The meeting unanimously re-elected Richard Goddard to serve as our auditor for 2014.
- 5. We manage to keep the budget for the society balanced with low administrative and social events that pay for themselves. Public interest events, however, cost money and our ability to perform these public interest events depends entirely on how much money we have. The upfront costs of these events can be high, and therefore it is a good idea to have a bank balance that never goes below €2500. Promoting Oxford University is one of the missions of the society, and in order to continue running these events successfully it was proposed that we raise the subscription rate. The budget for 2014 was unanimously approved.
- 6. The meeting unanimously agreed upon a raise in subscriptions from €25 to €35 with effect from 2015
- 7. The Committee is thought to be running extremely well with tasks shared out evenly to spread the workload and they were unanimously granted discharge.

- 8. All members of the current Committee stood for election en bloc.
- 9. The current committee were all unanimously re-elected.
- 10. Thanks

The meeting expressed its thanks to Richard Goddard for all his help with the accounts and auditing. Thanks were also expressed to Henri Dupong for providing the Society with an office and doing all our mailing, to Jan Könighaus for handling the accounts and arranging bulk photocopying, Naomi Hallan for the technical support of the website and to David and Marylin Clark for hosting the AGM.

11. A.O.B. None.

Appendices:

- A. Chairman's Report
- B. Treasurer's Report for 2013 and budget for 2014.
- C. Audited accounts for 2013.

(Signed originals of the attendance list, proxies, the reports and accounts are available to members on application to Henri Dupong at the Society's offices.)