

# **KING'S COLLEGE LONDON ENGINEERS' ASSOCIATION**

## **Minutes of the KCLEA Committee Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

The meeting was a hybrid meeting with some members attending and some joining online

### **Those participating**

Liz Beckmann	President
David Blacoe	Immediate Past President
Chris Bowden	Secretary
John Thomson	Treasurer and Webmaster
Bobby Dixit	Events' Secretary
Barbara Shollock	
Adriana Namour	
Ian Page	
Ernest Okon	

### **1) Apologies**

Received from Graham Raven, Mike Clode, Keith Newton

### **2) Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (1<sup>st</sup> September 2022)**

These were approved.

### **3) Developments within the Department of Engineering**

There have been a number of new members in the department covering a wide range of disciplines and technologies. Professor Shollock gave an overview of policy and developments including an integration of many disciplines in order to market and develop the full potential of the Department.

### **4) Quad development**

Work is now complete and the KCLEA is pleased to have been able to make a donation. Thanks were expressed to the alumni office and staff for keeping us in the picture and arranging visits for us.

### **5) KCLEA Events**

#### **a) King's Global Day of Service**

Discuss with Agnes as to what we can do to support KCLES.

**Action B.Dixit**

## **b) Annual Lunch**

It was suggested that this will be on 10<sup>th</sup>. June at Bush House with the opportunity to view the King's Birthday Flypast.

**Action B.Dixit**

## **c) Annual AGM and Lecture**

Planned for November. Suggested that we invite Dame Dawn Childs to present the lecture. Follow up with Agnes.

**Action B.Dixit**

## **d) Engineering Student Demo Day – mid December**

Suggested that we offer to assist with the judging.

## **e) Mentoring**

Throughout the year there will be opportunities for alumni to register and participate in Mentoring through King's Connect.

There was discussion on how we can widen our communication to attract interest from more alumni. Ways of doing this, including further liaison with the Engineering Department and KCLES to be considered. Possibility of a KCLEA desk at events to be considered.

**Action D.Blacoe**

Liz had prepared an annual report of our activities and events for the KCLA.

## **6) KCLES**

Adriana outlined various events, workshops and other activities aimed at all students interested in Engineering. These included one for new students, a Lunch in March, how to apply for jobs and talks with Professors.

Adriana asked us to advise how alumni could support the lunch and provide any financial support.

**Action L.Beckmann**

## **7) Bursaries and Medals**

The following update was submitted by Mike Clode:-

Dr. Sam Gibbs has taken our comments on the KCLEA Bursary Process and has sent me a revised copy for comment. I will send it out soon. I suggest this is reviewed for approval by the committee, or a sub-committee, in time for the next committee meeting. Many thanks to David for pushing this year's Bursary through. Also HK for being our Departmental contact.

It was reported that we now have only two medal blanks. We have been advised by Clare Cudby that she can purchase them and we can re-imburse. It was suggested that we get a block of 50 blanks. Being handled by the Business Support function of the Engineering Department, through Clare Cudby. John and David are being kept informed.

**Action J.Thomson, D.Blacoe**

## **8) Finances and Investment Fund.**

The overall situation is essentially the same as that recorded in the minutes of our last AGM.

Some input from Mike Clode :-

The due-diligence process seems to have been completed to M&G's satisfaction (at last).

Two M&G distributions have been paid into the Nat West Bank account. £1231.60 and £338.45. These are distributions for August 2022 and November 2022 respectively.

Subsequently to the meeting John provided the KCLEA Income and Expenditure spreadsheet.

For the period July 2022 to June 2023 the figures, so far, are income £2,615.53 and expenditure £1126.66

## **9) Website, Membership Communication and King's Engineer Bulletin**

Next Bulletin planned for Spring 2023. Contributions invited – to be sent to Mike Clode

Mike thinks that we need a proactive person to get material for the Bulletin and / website

### **Action All**

Keith will continue to compile a list of former Engineering students, subject to the restrictions of the data protection act.

## **10) Review of KCLEA Constitution**

The detail will be dependent on the new KCLA constitution. Under review by Mike, Graham and Keith.

## **11) AOB**

We have been advised of a reception in Bush House on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. to celebrate the support of students from alumni. David has received a direct invitation, which he will accept.

### **Action D.Blacoe**

Keith Newton and Chris Bowden are co-ordinating the framing of the Max Lipman prints. We need to review and agree with the College as to where the one that we donate can best be placed,

## **12) Date of next meeting**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. April 2023.