



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017

held at 11.15am on Tuesday 7 November 2017

at The Royal Academy of Engineering, Prince Philip House, London

President, Peter Tottman, welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked our sponsors Clarke Energy and Q8 Oils for enabling us to hold the event at the prestigious Royal Academy of Engineering.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Trustee Board/Advisory Council: Ignacio Martin-Garcia, Trevor Owen, Judith Packer, David Robbins, Paul Harrison, John Blowes and Alan Dempsey.

Members: Peter Ashley, Alison Owen, Helmut Laszig, Mike Hepworth, Roger Haycock, Bob Troop, Dick Ward, Graham Dilliway, Alan Patrick, David Joule, Andy Thomson and Sophie Madeley.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 17 NOVEMBER 2016

The motion to receive and adopt the minutes of the 2016 AGM was proposed by Stan Archer and seconded by John Alderson and unanimously approved.

3. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE BOARD

Peter introduced the Annual Report that had been made available and spoke about "How does IDGTE do it?" saying that IDGTE is seen to "Punch above its weight"; it holds high quality technical events such as seminars, conferences and its flagship Technology Seminar and Annual Luncheon and has a great team of staff and volunteers who work together to make these a reality.

Unlike some other professional engineering institutions, IDGTE membership had not grown during 2016/17 and Peter asked particularly that everyone commits to introducing new members, as well as coming forward with suggestions for visits and seeking opportunities and offers of technical papers. An "Ambassadors" scheme had recently been launched with all material available from the IDGTE website. Members were encouraged to sign up as "Ambassadors" and commit to promoting IDGTE within their own network of contacts.

Following publication of the Uff Report regarding changes in the business/industry environment and the engineering profession, John Platt, Past President and Trustee Board member, had been asked to lead a Strategy Review group including both IDGTE members and external people to look at our strengths and weaknesses, our current membership offer and what our

members are looking for in a professional engineering institution, taking account of changes in the power industry and work environment, and consider how IDGTE should steer a path for the future.

Mike Raine, Director General, reported on events that had taken place over the last year including a very successful seminar in September which was one of a series with the keynote speech given by National Grid following the developments in the UK power scene; and a visit to the 2MW battery storage facility at Willenhall. Mike suggested that batteries will play an increasing part in future in supporting the grid and balancing renewables.

Visits had also been made to JCB where it had been inspiring to see the application of cutting edge manufacturing technologies in a truly world-class engine plant in the UK and to Mogden Sewage Treatment Works to see their latest developments in renewable generation with the installation of a new engine plant operating on sewage gas. It was worthy of note that IDGTE members had been involved in the previous installation of W H Allen units.

Members and guests were encouraged to attend these technical visits to make them even more successful as a lot of effort was put in to organising them. They are extremely valuable opportunities for learning and broadening experience and can, of course, be accredited as CPD activities.

The motion to receive and adopt the Annual Report of the Trustee Board was proposed by John Harrison and seconded by David Linsell and unanimously approved.

4. TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE EXAMINED ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEET TO 30 JUNE 2017

Peter introduced the Accounts included in the Annual Report that had been made available and reported on the financial results for the year to 30 June 2017. He said that we had once again been given a clean bill of health. Reserves had dropped from £43,000 to £35,000 reflecting the reinvestment of income in line with the not-for-profit policy of IDGTE.

Comparing 2017 to 2016, exhibitions and seminar income was lower, but this was balanced by a successful seminar which had just taken place in September and the bi-ennial Gas Turbine Conference which was due to take place in November providing positive impact on the Institution's finances.

On the expense side, staff costs had increased due to the provision of a pension scheme under the Government's auto-enrolment requirement.

The motion to adopt the Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet to 30 June 2017 was proposed by John Kitchenman and seconded by John Harrison and unanimously approved.

5. APPOINTMENT OF THE INSTITUTION'S EXAMINER FOR 2017/18

A motion was put forward to recommend that we continue to appoint John Frampton as Examiner for 2017/18. This was proposed by John Alderson and seconded by Ronald Hunt and unanimously approved.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS PROPOSED BY THE TRUSTEE BOARD

Two members of Trustee Board had completed their 3 year term - John Platt and Ronald Hunt. Both agreed to be re-nominated. No other nominations had been received in the office.

The officers and elected Trustee Board members for 2017/18 were proposed as follows:

President	Tony Hancock
Deputy President	Vacant
Immediate Past President	Peter Tottman
Honorary Secretary	Stan Archer
Honorary Treasurer	John Blowes
Trustee	George Cooper
Trustee	Ronald Hunt
Trustee	John Platt

The motion to accept the proposed Officers and Trustee Board members as listed was unanimously approved.

7. ELECTION OF ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

One nomination was received from the membership to stand for Advisory Council. An Election Statement had been received from Sophie Madeley and made available before the meeting.

The Advisory Council members for 2017/18 are as follows:

John Alderson	Said Mazigh
Alan Dempsey	Trevor Owen
Paul Harrison	Jakub Piaszyk
Sophie Madeley	David Robbins
Andy Madge	Miroslaw Wyszynski
Ignacio Martin-Garcia	

The motion to accept the proposed Advisory Council member was unanimously approved.

8. PROPOSAL FOR THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION FEES FROM 1 JANUARY 2018

It was proposed that there would be no change to membership subscription rates or registration fees. Mike Raine asked for this proposal which had been

approved by the Trustee Board and circulated to the membership to be accepted and unanimously approved.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None notified.

10. ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT

Peter thanked the Trustees, members of Advisory Council, Committee members, IDGTE staff Carole Carrington, Sandra Redfern and Mike Raine, and all volunteers, authors, sponsors and presenters of IDGTE events during the last year.

Peter Tottman then presented the presidential medal to new IDGTE President, Tony Hancock.

Tony gave brief details of his background starting as a cadet with BP Shipping and progressing to Integration Director for BP. He is currently an independent consultant for marine and power generation in large 2 and 4-stroke engines and recently on lubricants R&D and OEM approvals for these engines.

Tony said that he had been an IDGTE member for over 25 years and had benefited from, rather than contributed to, the Institution. Tony joined Advisory Council in 2015 and he said that by becoming President that he could now contribute something back to IDGTE.

The Annual General Meeting was followed by lunch and presentations by:

Adam Wray-Summerson, Major Project Specialist, Clarke Energy
An Insight into the Latest Developments on Gas Engine Technology and Appropriate Engine Selection

Joris van der List - Energy Product Line Manager, Q8 Oils
New Synthetic Gas Engine Oil Ranges Mahler GR5 and GR8