Minutes of the AGM held in Dundee Art Society Gallery, Roseangle, Dundee on 25 April 2013

Welcome: The president welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting and commented on the good attendance (17).

Apologies for absence: David Cree, Sandy Forbes, Alastair Lawson, Chad Neighbor and George Soutar.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of the AGM of 26 April 2012 were adopted on the proposal by Charles Lloyd and seconded by Norman Kelso.

Agenda:

- **1. Minutes** of the AGM held on 26 April 2012 were unanimously agreed subject to the correction in Item 8 Point 5 from ABPS to ASPS.
- **2. Matters Arising** Ron Goodfellow thanked members for the honour bestowed on him as an Honorary member.

3. Officers' Reports:

President: Alan Roy was heartened to see new and old members regularly attending.

Secretary: Report by Charles Lloyd was issued to each member present along with a draft syllabus. The Society is in good health with continuing high attendance at meetings. Following discussion some amendments were suggested. The Secretary was thanked for his work throughout the year.

Treasurer: Robert Duguid issued an audited copy of the accounts. A warning was sounded re the significant reduction of income from Government Stocks that end in 2015 and the lower yields from reinvestment made today. The accounts were accepted on a proposal by Ron Goodfellow and seconded by Norman Kelso. The Treasurer recommended the subscription for 2013-4 should remain unchanged. This was accepted *nem. con*. The Treasurer was thanked for his work in looking after the finances of the Society.

Packet Secretary: David Easson's report was issued. He indicated that there were now 55 booklets that would be circulated in the near future. Members voiced their appreciation of the opportunity to browse through the boxes. The Packet Secretary was thanked for his ongoing efforts.

Librarian: David Easson indicated that the team working on the library were gradually completing the task and that a full catalogue would be issues as soon as practicable. A few purchases are contemplated. There had been no further progress in selling any of the unwanted material from the Bulloch Collection. It was suggested that, given a list of the material for sale, members could have an opportunity to seek purchasers. The librarian and his helpers were thanked for their continuing work.

ASPS Representative: Alan Roy issued a report on the recent Annual General Meeting of ASPS held on 20 April 2013.

He was asked to explore the reason why the work that held up the erection of frames had not been scheduled so as not to interfere with the 'paying customer'. A number of members had travelled to Perth and given of their time only to be unable to help. It was agreed that the ASPS table should have had more prominence near the entrance. The lack of an announcement of the winner of the Open Competition was noted. This may have been due to Alan Watson, Secretary of ASPS, being held up at the Post & Go machines buying stamps to fulfil orders sent to ASPS. The ASPS Representative was thanked for his diligent work in keeping members informed of the developments in ASPS.

Publicity Officer: Colin Campbell thanked members for their support in manning the Society table at Congress. A total of £67.50 had been passed to the Treasurer. He spoke of the two types of Smiler Sheets that had been issued at Congress and that there might be some available for sale at a later date. An editor was being sought for the ASPS 'Philatelic News'. He would contact the website for 'Dundee City of Culture' to indicate the work of early members of the Society in starting the Annual Congress of ASPS. The Publicity Officer was thanked for his work throughout the year.

Webmaster: Norman Kelso's work on the Society website was continuing and positive comments on the website were also made at the AGM of the ASPS. Norman was now also the webmaster of the ASPS, having been elected at its AGM and was awaiting the log-in details before he could start redesigning that website.

The webmaster was thanked for the work he had done.

- 4. **Election of Office Bearers**: The meeting agreed a proposal by Dennis Collins that all the Officers should be re-elected. New Committee Members elected were Douglas Howkins (Nominated by Norman Kelso, Seconded by Charles Lloyd) and David Millar (Nominated by Francis Podger, Seconded by Ron Goodfellow). Peter Dix's resignation was accepted and he was thanked for his work over the year in supporting the Secretary.
- **5. Annual Dinner**: A Dinner will be held next year. A different venue will be investigated and the proposed date will be May 15
- **6. A.O.C.B.**: The Minutes of the Meeting on11 April was approved on the proposal by Norman Kelso and seconded by Francis Podger.
- **7. Dates of Next Regular Meetings:** Morning meetings will continue throughout the summer with the next one being on 2 May in the Art Society Gallery from 10am to noon. The next evening meeting will be President's Night on 26 September.