EARLY CAREER NETWORK

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 20th May 2020 (14:00)

Location: via Zoom

Present: Matt Sharp (Chair), Deborah Thomas (Treasurer), Thomas Skiggs,

Huw Richards, Joshua Hughes, Matt Webster, Alex Christopher,

Dan Hope, Simon Groom, Serdar Aldanmazlar

In Attendance: Amy Ball (GeolSoc)

Apologies: None

1) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

No correction required.

- DT has accessed accounts with GeolSoc
- DT has updated terms of reference
- TS, JH and DT have been active on social media accounts
- MW has contacted some special interest groups but needs touch base again. Some groups do have early career reps.

2) ELECTION OF OFFICERS REQUIRED BY GEOLSOC

Chair – Matt Sharp Treasurer – Deborah Thomas

Dan Hope was duly elected as the ECN Regional Specialist Group Liaison

Alex Christopher was duly elected as ECN Secretary

3) FINANCE UPDATE

DT reports:

- Expenses are outstanding for MS
- Last year's budget £1,000
- Last year's income ~ £1,000
- Balance £1.4000
- Courses held Micromine and ArcGis subsidised



DT suggests a model based on for future events, with the Committee footing the bill of hosting.

4) A REVISION OF AIMS

- Increase attendance to events and a general increase in online presence
- Broaden the scope of events
- Establish a more organised structure
- Increase collaboration with industry
- Create value for money for fellows

5) EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Youtube videos, career profiles on GSL website
- A programme of 4/5 events for the coming 12 months:
- Relaunch event: Panel discussion on the effects of COV-ID 19 on the geoscience industry and what the crisis means for the future

ACTIONS:

JH - Contact BGS President

DT – Ialn Stewart

JH, TS, HR, AC – Mining/Mineral exploration contacts

Assess on June 1st - Time TBC

- Career talks by early professionals, talking about their experience and journey to current career positions
- Buddy system, targeted to industry akin to specialist groups systems
- Speed mentoring
- Seek to be involved in Future of Geoscience Event on 10th June
- Technical events that have wide appeal across the geosciences e.g. ioGas. Coding, ArcGis, QGis, CV workshops and careers
- Jane Watson Meeting 2021 Committee agrees that we should have some involvement, but we should not be taking the lead at this stage.

6) SELF PROMITION

- Possibility of newsletter discussed, advertisement in the Geoscience magazine. However, AB points out that lead-time are long. It is possible however for quick advertisement in the GeolSoc Newsletter.

ACTIONS

- Website ideas review AC, DT, MS

Social Media

TS will continue running the LinkedIn Page
JH will continue to run the Facebook Page
Twitter page control will be reviewed, linked to Facebook account or controlled by Hoodsuite.

7) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- None

ACTIONS

- Update of positions on GeolSoc ECN page by AB, list submitted by AC
- Expenses submittal MS
- 8) NEXT MEETING -TBC