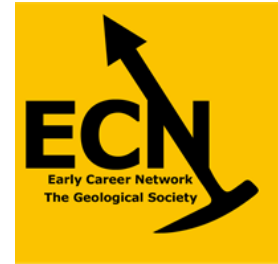


EARLY CAREER NETWORK

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



Date: Tuesday, 18 June 2024 (18:00 UTC+1/BST)

Location: via Microsoft Teams

Present: Dan Hope (Chair), Jocelyn Barker (**Vice-Chair**), Jean-Jacques Ferguson (Secretary), Awei Mabi, Simon Groom, River Adler Stewart (Treasurer).

Apologies: Harriet Warnock (Specialist Group Liaison), Ayesha Landon-Browne, Alex Christopher.

1) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – Actions Arising

- EC Award tasks completed successfully, event went well - **ALL**
- Content management section of website run through – **HR / JJF / JB**

2) EARLY CAREER GEOLOGIST AWARD – Summary and Finances

- Thank you to all of the organisers, great event!
- Six Finalists in the end
 - i. AM mentioned the GSL group of Hong Kong said that the award might not have been advertised for long enough – Specialist Group Liaison (to be appointed) can organise catch up with RGs to remain on schedule and target next year
- Harry Wilde – our ECN Geo Award winner!
- Judges were a good spread, thanks to all organisers
- Finances – on target. **DH** to discuss with **RAS**.
- Expenses – DH sent form around:
 - i. Receipts for judges' prizes – **JJF** to send to **DH / RAS**
 - ii. Committee travel expenses – please send in to **DH**

3) COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

- Unanimously agreed during the meeting, JB appointed as Vice-chair. Congratulations!
- Committee applications advertised 1w ago, deadline 6pm today (start of meeting)
- Three applications during open-window and one prior, DH to send around anonymised group of candidates for votes from today. Please can the committee to review applications sent by Dan and return ASAP - **ALL**
 - i. Decided to add up to three new members to the team

4) PUBLIC LECTURE / EVENTS – Planning and collaboration opportunities

- DH held meeting with GSL last week
- Public lecture

- i. Date is 4/5th September, 2024
 - ii. **JJF** to follow up on Distinguished lecturer for MDSG (as discussed in WhatsApp)
 - iii. Committee to think up alternatives - **ALL**
- Engagement and collaboration possible with other Early Careers Committees of Specialist Groups: Hydro / Contaminated Land / Engineering Group doing series of events:
 - i. Chartership review (with Eleanor Williams, imminent)
 - ii. Field trip up in Leeds
 - iii. “How to get published” event – Eleanor Williams
 - iv. More tbc
- Alternative events / future events
 - i. JJF contacted by NWRG for field trips as well as the open university geological society for field trips and collaborations – always a possibility
 - ii. GSL Career’s day booked in Manchester – November
 - Interested committee members to come forward
- Career events
 - i. **JJF** to outline events / webinar series focused on professional / soft-skills in industry. Technical-field agnostic, it should appeal to broader geoscience industry.
 - ii. Careers-days in collaboration with STEM UK are always a possibility.

5) FINANCES

- There was raised the question of extra sponsorship maybe for future / 2025?
 - i. **JB** had a good conversation with Tanya from WSP, to follow-up regarding sponsorship

6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Huw Richards and Matt Sharp depart committee, thank you for your service and hard work over the years!
- AGM held on 23rd May at Burlington House
- Potential for the introduction of a shared calendar with wider GSL groups
 - i. Internal/External events

7) DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

- Proposed Tuesday 16th July 18:00 (UTC+1/BST)