

British Allied Trades Federation

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of The National Association of Jewellers and British Allied Trades Federation held at The Tower of London on Thursday 6th June 2024 at 4:30pm

ATTENDEES recorded elsewhere

WELCOME

Henrik Skouby President of the British Allied Trades Federation welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

The President declared the meeting open.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The president explained that the business of this meeting as set out in the notice of meeting which was circulated on 10th May and can be found on the BATF and NAJ websites.

APOLOGIES

The President proposed that the apologies, being too numerous to read out, will be recorded in an annex to the minutes.

The President welcomed Gary Wroe who is the President of the National Association of Jewellers.

NAJ ACTIVITY AND FORMAL BUSINESS

Gary gave apologies Heather Callaway and read her speech as outgoing chair and welcomed Adam Jacobs as the incoming chair.

Adam (Chair) thanked Gary and confirmed Heather as the new Immediate Past Chair.

The Chair gave an overview of his plans for NAJ over the next two years.

The Chair started the formal proceedings for the NAJ with the item of special business, which was to amend the Bye Laws as follows:

“THAT with effect from the conclusion of the meeting the draft bye-laws produced to the meeting and, for the purposes of identification, initialled by the Chair be adopted as the bye-laws of the National Association of Jewellers in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, the existing bye-laws.”

The Chair confirmed that Andrew Hinds had proposed this special resolution and Heather Callaway had seconded it.

Members were asked for and against the resolution and the resolution was carried.

Continuing the for formal business the Chair confirmed that David Doyle had proposed that Anna Blackburn and Mehdi Saadian are re-elected as a Members of the National Committee for the period 2024/26 and Barry Sullivan had seconded this proposal

Members were asked for and against the resolution and the resolution was carried.

The chair concluded the formal business by confirming the receipt of notice of the election of Alexia Taylor and Peter Wong from the National Committee as members of the national committee for the period 2024/26.

The chair then introduced Racheal Taylor who announced the launch of the HALO competition.

BATF PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT AND FORMAL BUSINESS

Henrik Skouby (President) was invited back to the stage and gave an overview of activity for the Federation across 2023/24.

The president confirmed that he had received notice from the BATF board of directors of the appointment of Gert Schyberg as President of the BATF for the period of 2024 to 2026.

Henrik welcome Gert and handed over the Presidents chain of office. Gert thanks Henrik for his work as President and presented him with a Past Presidents badge.

The new President then continued with the formal business.

REPORT OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITED ACCOUNTS

The President confirmed that a of the report of the Directors, the Financial Statements and the auditor's report on them has been available on the BATF website since 10th May and copies were available on request.

The President announced that the vote:

"THAT the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 together with the Directors' and Auditors' Reports thereon are received and adopted."

This was proposed by Paul Griffiths and seconded by Gary Wroe.

All members present, were asked to raise their hand in favour and for not in favour.

The resolution was carried.

RE - APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITORS

The president announced the next item on the agenda for the re-appointment of the auditor for the BATF and all Federated TA's and that Kate Owen has proposed :

“THAT Crowe LLP be re-appointed auditors of British Allied Trades Federation to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and that their remuneration be determined by the Directors”

David Doyle seconded the proposal.

All members present, were asked to raise their hand in favour and for not in favour.

The resolution was carried.

RE – ELECTION OF JOHN HENN AS A DIRECTOR

The President informed the meeting that notice has been received for the re-election of Mr John Henn as a director of the Federation for the period of 2024 to 2025 and this was proposed by Barry Sullivan and seconded by John Joyce.

All members present, were asked to raise their hand in favour and for not in favour.

The resolution was carried.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BATF DIRECTORS

The President informed the meeting the notice has been given by the Federations Board of Directors that Mrs Harriet Kelsall and Miss Heather Callaway have been appointed as directors of the Federation representing the NAJ and Mr John Taylor representing the SEA.

The President advised the members that the Mr Paul Griffith has been co-opted to the board of directors.

The President announced Andrew Hinds retirement from the board and thanked him for his 9-year service as a director.

CLOSE OF THE AGM

This concluded the formal business of the AGM for the NAJ and BATF and the president thanked members for attending and for their support through the previous year.

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Gert Schyberg – President

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