



# Professional Speaking Association

## AGM 2019

Held at Paradise Way, Walsgrave on Sowe, Coventry CV2 2ST Saturday 5th October 2019

Present:

Tim Luscombe - Chairman  
Shaz Nawaz – Finance Director  
Lynda Shaw – Regional Director  
Steve Bustin – Communications Director  
Lee Jackson – Foundation Director  
Bryony Thomas - Marketing Director

Apologies  Tiffany Kemp

Welcome to the 2019 AGM from Tim Lsucombe

It's been an interesting and a challenging and a very difficult year. As many of you are well aware, we lost our president halfway through the year. What you may not be aware is that Joy was unable to do very much for the association, several months prior to that. So I want to first of all, thank the Board, and Sara Beth and her team. And I will repeat this to them when I see them again, for their efforts in picking up all the pieces and getting things done during the course of the year. They've done a fantastic job and I think we all owe them a tremendous vote of thanks, not just delivering the conference. But in everything else that's happened during the course of the year.

However, losing our president has had a significant impact on one particular area. And that is getting replacements onto the board, for the marketing director (as Bryony is stepping down), membership director (as Tiffany is stepping down) and getting a replacement in place for me as chair as this is my final AGM.

At this stage I want to take a moment to say thank you to Tiffany for her service, she followed me as the regional president in Thames Valley. She then served on the board as our director for the region's and then she served as president and the last year as our membership director. That's a pretty wholehearted commitment to the organization and she deserves a vote of thanks.

We've advertised both the marketing and membership director positions with the view that we were going to be able to hold the usual transparent, open election in this meeting. But that's not possible. We have candidates for the chairs role, who may wish to be considered for either the membership or the marketing directors roles. So under the circumstances, we have deferred those appointments and I hope you will bear with us. What we'll do in the remainder of this year, hopefully by the end of this year, is tell you who the candidates are for those positions and ask you to vote on them electronically. Rather than doing it in the AGM. No objections received.

### **Formal agenda**

Section	Discussion/Action	Lead
1	Welcome and apologies for absence from tiffany Kemp	Tim Luscombe
2	Last year's AGM notes were published on the website. Proposed by Mark Lee, seconded Bryony Thomas.	Tim Luscombe
3	<b>Accounts</b> Thanks to Mike Ogilvie for a fantastic job and his team acting as accountants for the PSA.  Shaz has been through the account in detail and is satisfied that the accounts are a true and fair view.	Shaz Nawaz
4	<b>Accounts detail</b> £80,000.00 in reserves  £22,000.00 in foundation  £16,000 spent out of the foundation.  Regarding the foundation when payments are made, or received for the foundation, they are apportioned to that particular account. When a payment is requested from the foundation this is allocated to that particular ledger. The money is kept separate to the main account.	Michael Ogilvie

	Tim: Accounts approved. Vote approved	
5	<p><b>Foundation</b> Thanks extended to all for their support to the foundation.</p> <p>The foundation is growing but it is still small. We are looking to the future and what this means for the foundation and how it can grow, this will take time and the steps involved are being discussed by the board, Shaz and Michael Ogilvie</p>	Lee Jackson
6	<p><b>Presidents report</b> N/A</p>	
7	<p><b>New President 2019-2020</b> Steve Bustin proposed as new President. Seconded and approved</p>	Tim Luscombe
8	<p><b>President Elect 2020-2021</b> Lynda Shaw proposed as President Elect. Seconded and approved</p>	Tim Luscombe
9	<p><b>New Fellows Community Director</b></p> <p>Andy Lopata previously elected as Fellows Community President.</p> <p>This position now made into a board role and Andy Lopata proposed as Fellows Community Director. Seconded and approved.</p>	Tim Luscombe
10	<b>Meeting closed</b>	Tim Luscombe