

MINUTES

ASGBI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 27th June 2024, 12.00 – 13.00

1.	Welcome from the President	Document
	i. Declarations of any conflicts of interests or loyalties by Fellows. The President, Miss Gill Tierney, welcomed members to 2023 AGM, held via Zoom. NOTED: No conflicts of interests or loyalties were declared by those present.	
PART I: REPORT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR		
2.	Deaths	
	i. In memoriam NOTED: The deaths of the following members during the past year, were noted with deep regret: Claudio Bassi John Fawcett Clegg Basil Golematis George Parks A moments silence was observed in tribute to their long-standing contribution and support.	
3.	Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting	
	i. To receive the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29th June 2023. NOTED: The minutes of the AGM held on Thursday 29th June 2023, via Zoom, distributed as Document A, were approved.	A
PART II: ASGBI MEMBERSHIP COMPANY		
4.	Brief overview of the previous year's activities	
	i. To receive a verbal report from the President. The President provided a report on activities since the previous AGM: Emergency General Surgery Symposium: A successful EGS event on 1st November, Glasgow and online. Abstracted were accepted for the first time. ASGBI International Surgical Congress: Took place 8-10th May 2024 in Belfast, featuring Training Village and Breakfast Academy. Advisory Boards: Delivering in partnership with industry Surgical Leaders in Management (SLIM) Group: Creation of the new SLIM Group aimed to support our more senior colleagues in clinical management roles.	

	NOTED: The President thanked Mr Nick Watson for his contribution to the delivery of Training Village and Breakfast Academy.																	
	ii. Memorandum and Articles of ASGBI Ltd. NOTED: The Memorandum and Articles of ASGBI Ltd, distributed as Document B.	B																
	iii. Special resolutions NOTED: Motions proposed by the President to amend the Memorandum and Articles of Association, distributed as Document C.	C																
	AGREED: The proposed amendments were agreed by members.																	
5.	Directors and Members of Council																	
	i. Directors demitted NOTED: No Directors demitted in the previous 12 months.																	
	ii. Appointment of Directors to the Executive Board of Directors NOTED: No Directors were appointed in the previous 12 months.																	
	iii. To confirm the reappointment of the following Executive NOTED: Below were the Directors reappointed to the Executive Board over the previous 12 months:																	
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	NOTED: The President confirmed Miss Nuha Yassin has been on sabbatical from her duties, EDI directorial duties have been overseen by the Executive Board. The President thanked the EDI committee for their support.																	
	iv. Members of Council demitted office NOTED: Below were the Council members that had demitted appointment over the previous 12 months:																	
	<table><tr><td>President of the Moynihan Academy</td><td>Mr Michael Okocha</td></tr><tr><td>Regional Representative, London</td><td>Ms Cleo Kenington</td></tr><tr><td>Regional Representative for Northern Ireland</td><td>Mr Gary Spence</td></tr><tr><td>Regional Representative, South East Coast</td><td>Mr Krishna Singh</td></tr></table>	President of the Moynihan Academy	Mr Michael Okocha	Regional Representative, London	Ms Cleo Kenington	Regional Representative for Northern Ireland	Mr Gary Spence	Regional Representative, South East Coast	Mr Krishna Singh									
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	The President thanked all demitting Council members individually for their hard work and valuable contribution to the Association.																	



	v. Members appointed or elected to Council NOTED: Below have been appointed to Council over the previous 12 months: President of the Moynihan Academy Miss Kellie Bateman Representative on NCEPOD Steering Group Ms Anne Pullyblank ASGBI Robotic and MIS Lead Mr Shakil Ahmed	
6.	Election of Fellows of the Association During the Previous Year NOTED: A full list of all Fellows (Retired, Affiliate, Associate, Full and Corresponding) elected to membership of the Association since the previous AGM, was distributed as Document D.	D
7.	Honorary Fellowship	
	i. Honorary Fellowship was conferred to: NOTED: Honorary Fellowships were conferred to the following at the ASGBI 2024 Congress in Belfast: Ms Nadine Montgomery-Allam Professor Raul Coimbra	
8.	Designated Societies	
	i. Designated Society status has been conferred to: NOTED: No Designated Society status had been conferred over the last 12 months. The President confirmed the ASGBI has been collaborating with the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) and we hope to formalise this relationship with Designated Society status in due course.	
9.	Financial Report	E
	ii. Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 The Director of Finance summarised the written report, distributed as Document E. Full Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2023, distributed as Document F. NOTED: It was noted that membership fees will increase by 10% in 2025.	F
	iii. To approve Ford Bentall LLP as the Association's Auditors for 2023 NOTED: It was agreed that, on the recommendation of the Executive Board, Ford Bentall LLP should be re-appointed as the Association's Auditors for 2023.	
10.	Written reports from Directors	
	i. Director of Scientific Programme NOTED: A written report was provided by the Director of Scientific Programme, Mr Dimitrios Damaskos, distributed as Document G.	G
	ii. Director of Education NOTED: A written report was provided by the Director of Education, Mr Ben Griffiths, distributed as Document H.	H
	iii. Director of Emergency General Surgery NOTED: A written report was provided by the Director of Emergency General Surgery, Ms Sonia Lockwood, distributed as Document I.	I
	iv. Director of Research	J



	NOTED: A written report was provided by the Director of Research, Professor Susan Moug, distributed as Document J. The President formally thanked Professor John MacFie for a donation which is supporting research and educational activities.	
11.	ASGBI Representative to the Council of the RCS England NOTED: A written report was provided by the Representative to the Council of the RCS England, Mr Jonathan Epstein, distributed as Document K.	K
12.	Report from the Moynihan Academy NOTED: A written report was provided by the President of the Moynihan Academy, Ms Kellie Bateman, distributed as Document L. The President thanked the Moynihan Academy Past-President, Mr Michael Okocha, and current Council.	L
PART III: SURGICAL INDEMNITY SCHEME (SIS)		
13.	The President advised that SIS Ltd is a subsidiary company owned by ASGBI Ltd which provides surgeons with the opportunity for private indemnity. NOTED: The Board of SIS Ltd have taken the decision to close the company, therefore, SIS is no longer trading and is undergoing voluntary wind-up proceedings.	
PART IV: ASGBI CHARITY		
14.	Report on the ASGBI Charity; formerly The Surgical Foundation The President advised that ASGBI Charity is the charitable arm of the ASGBI and was formerly known as The Surgical Foundation. ASGBI Charity is a separate entity from ASGBI Ltd. NOTED: The Trustees of ASGBI Charity are currently in discussions regarding the future of the organisation. It has incurred legal fees in the past 12 months to provide a resolution for a historic corporate restructuring matter.	
PART V: ITEMS FOR NOTE		
15.	Intercollegiate Board in General Surgery NOTED: A written report was provided by the representative on the Intercollegiate Board in General Surgery, Mr Kishore Pursani, distributed as Document M.	M
16.	Report from SAC in General Surgery NOTED: A written report was provided by the SAC in General Surgery, Mr Bala Piramanayagam, distributed as Document N.	N
17.	Report from SAS Doctors Representative NOTED: A written report was provided by the SAS Doctors Representative, Mr Fuad Abid, distributed as Document O.	O
18.	Report from Lead in General Surgery Childhood NOTED: A written report was provided by the Lead in General Surgery Childhood, Mr David MacAfee, distributed as Document P.	P
19.	Report from Trauma Lead	Q



	NOTED: A written report was provided by the Trauma Lead, Ms Kate Hancorn, distributed as Document Q.							
20.	Report from Sustainability Lead	R						
	NOTED: A written report was provided by the Sustainability Lead, Ms Cleo Kenington, distributed as Document R.							
21.	Report from Robotic and MIS Lead	S						
	NOTED: A written report was provided by the Robotic and MIS Lead, Mr Shakil Ahmed, distributed as Document S.							
22.	Report from Representative on NCEPOD Steering Group	T						
	NOTED: A written report was provided by the Robotic and MIS Lead, Ms Anne Pullyblank, distributed as Document T.							
23.	Moynihan Travelling Fellowship 2024							
	i. To note that the 2024 Moynihan Travelling Fellowship was awarded to: NOTED: The 2024 Moynihan Travelling Fellowship was awarded to: Jared Wohlgemut, Clinical Research Fellow, Queen Mary University of London.							
24.	Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland Prizes							
	i. To note Association Prizes for outstanding performance at the Intercollegiate Examination in General Surgery were awarded to: NOTED: The Association Prizes for outstanding performance at the Intercollegiate Examination in General Surgery were awarded to:							
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PART VI: ANY OTHER BUSINESS								
25.	Motions from the floor							
	NOTED: The Full, Associate and Corresponding Fellows were invited to submit motions for inclusion on the agenda by 5.00pm on Friday 7th June 2024, and that no such motions were received.							
26.	2025 International Surgical Congress							
	NOTED: The next International Surgical Congress of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland will be held in Edinburgh from Monday 12 th to Wednesday 14 th May 2025.							
PART VII: IMPORTANT NOTICES								
	NOTED: In accordance with the provisions in the Association’s ‘Memorandum and Articles of Association,’ notice of the 2023 Annual General Meeting was distributed by email to Fellows of ASGBI on 16 th May 2024.							
	NOTED: In accordance with Section 9 of the ASGBI ‘Articles of Association’, any member of the Association (i.e. Associate, Full or Corresponding Fellow) unable to attend the AGM were invited to appoint another person as their proxy to exercise all or any of the Members rights to attend and to speak and to vote at the AGM, no such requests were received. It was also noted that there were no items on the agenda which were applicable to a member vote.							



There being no further business, the ASGBI 2023 AGM closed at 12.35pm

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