



**Annual General Meeting of the ICLG held at;
Macfarlanes, 10 Norwich Street, London, EC4A 1BD
On 25th April 2007 at 6.30pm**

Minutes

1. Welcome and Introduction - Oriole Newgass, ICLG Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the AGM and introduced the speaker Derek Law who would be giving a presentation after the AGM.

2. Financial Report – Gertrud Erbach, Hon Treasurer

The Treasurer's Report was given by Gertrud Erbach

Income for the year ending 31 December 2006 was £7,486

Expenditure for the year ending 31 December 2006 was £6,273

The Current Account Balance at 01 April 2007 is £3,501.45

The Deposit Account Balance at 31 March 2007 is £7,085.83

The Income from the Newsletter and Advertising was £875

The Income generated from ICLG's participation in the Umbrella Conference was £1324.44

The Report was approved with Jill Halford as Proposer and Bert Washington as Secunder

3. Annual Report – Oriole Newgass, ICLG Chair

Oriole Newgass gave the Chair's Report. A brief summary is included here and the full report is attached.

There have been a number of changes to the committee this year, with Rob Begnett joining as a new committee member and Alison Thorne has taken over as Editor of the newsletter. Gertrud Erbach has resigned as the Treasurer and will be replaced by Daren Middleton.

Due to the rising costs in printing rates and the cut in capitation income, ICLG has been forced to cease publication of the newsletter in hardcopy and distribute the newsletter by electronic copy.

The events organised by ICLG this year include;

- A Joint Legal Research Seminar with CiG
- Seminar on E-roles in the Workplace given by Dr Hazel Hall
- Visit to the botanical library at Kew Gardens
- Joint Open Day with AUKML for new entrants to the profession
- ICLG's Sub Group ADLG ran a successful Knowledge Management seminar with PricewaterhouseCoopers
- ICLG helped to organise the Joint Christmas Party event
- ICLG exhibited at the Library and Information Show in Birmingham and at the Online Exhibition in London.

ICLG wishes to express its gratitude to all its sponsors including; 7Side, Bailey Solutions, Sue Hill, Swets, Tribal Group and Macfarlanes.

4. Voting

ICLG members were asked to vote on two motions;

Motion 1 : that ICLG should change its name to Commercial, Legal & Scientific Information Group (CLSIG) to reflect more accurately the make-up of the membership. This change has already been endorsed by CILIP Council at their meeting on 4 April.

ICLG Member Judith Crowe questioned the name change and what the Committee hoped to achieve by this, and pointed out that the group had changed its name previously and there had seemed little benefit to this. The Chair answered by expressing the need to better reflect the sectors, which the majority of members belong to, as ICLG currently has most of its members from the commercial sector and none from the Industrial sector.

Malcolm Weston made the point that it should be made clear that membership of the group is still open to members in the industrial sector.

Claire McWilliam asked what the name change would cost the Group? The Chair responded that the change of name would not cost the group anything as ICLG would receive sponsorship for a new banner to be created and there is no stationery which currently has the ICLG logo on it.

The vote was taken and Motion 1 was passed unanimously with 14 members present.

Motion 2 : that the Group should raise the annual independent subscription from £25 to £35, and if passed to offer all members the option of taking out this additional subscription to subscribe at discounted rates to valuable information services.

This motion was strongly contested by ICLG members with Penny Leach, Jill Halford, Witold Szczyglowski, and Francesca Meller all questioning the validity of the charge to CILIP/ICLG members.

Malcolm Weston made the point that if ICLG/CILIP members were to take this option they would actually be paying more than Non-members for the services because ICLG already receives £2 capitation for each CILIP member, so they would in effect be paying £37 for the services.

Judith Crowe asked what actual benefits members would be getting and stated that she thought it would be a disadvantageous to existing members to levy additional charges. The Chair responded by stating that the additional benefits to the membership would be in the form of supplier discounts offered on subscriptions to various services, which would be advertised when agreements had been finalised.

The motion was amended before the final vote and it was proposed that, the Group should raise the annual independent subscription from £25 to £35 for non-CILIP members and should provide an optional additional subscription at £25 to members who joined ICLG through CILIP membership.

The motion was approved with 13 votes in favour of the motion and 1 abstention.