

Minutes of an Extraordinary General Meeting

Held on 29 November 2011 at 8.30pm

25 members of the orchestra were present. The meeting was chaired by Russell Ashley-Smith.

Agenda

1. Election of a committee member.

Advanced nomination: Ishani O'Connor Nominated by Graham Vernon Seconded by Jeremy Crump

Ashani O'Connor was elected unopposed to the Committee.

2. Adoption of Treasurer's report for 2010-11

The Treasurer's report for 2010-11 was adopted subject to two adjustments, namely i) that the expenditure for flowers and drinks for the year was accounted for in the year, even though the bill was not received until after the end of the year, and ii) that the cost of the hire of music for Berg's Violin Concerto is accounted for in 2011-12, even though the bill was received and paid before the end of 2010-11. This reflected the benefit of the expenditure falling in 2011-12 as the piece was played at the November 2011 concert.

3. Item for information only: renewal of Conductor's contract to January 2013.

The chair explained that a process had not been started for review of the conductor's appointment in time for 3 months' notice to be given were it to be decided to terminate the contract (although there was no suggestion that this would have been the case). The committee would consult the members in the summer about renewal for subsequent years.

4. Other business

The meeting accepted the chair's recommendation to record the orchestra's thanks to Tom Hammond and Paula Tysall for their continuing enthusiastic support for and encouragement to the orchestra, which frequently went beyond what was required by the terms of their respective engagements.

Russell Ashley-Smith Chair 30 November 2011