BRITISH ORTHOPTIC SOCIETY TRADE UNION MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 20 JUNE 2025 AT THE STUDIO, BIRMINGHAM COMMENCING AT 13:09

75 Attendees

Craig Murray welcomed everybody to the meeting and introduced the panel.

Panel:
Craig Murray, Chair BIOS
Helen Haggerty, Vice Chair of BIOS
Sam Aitkenhead, General Secretary of BOSTU
Rich Huzzey, BIOS Policy & Communications Officer
Steve Doughty, TC-Kent Accountants

- ## Apologies for Absence

Jennifer Skillen, Alma Saville, and Julie Cox.

- ## Minutes

The Minutes of the BOSTU AGM held on 11 July 2024 were proposed as a correct record by Matthew Groogan, seconded by Fiona Bush and approved unanimously.

- ## General Secretary's Report

Sam Aitkenhead presented the General Secretary's report, noting the continuing support BOSTU provide to members, including 20 formal cases in 2024, and national representation across four countries.

There were no questions on the General Secretary's report.

- ## Accounts

Steve Doughty, representing TC-Kent, presented the Accounts via a pre-recorded video. BOS TU reported a surplus of £95,541 in 2024.

There were no questions on the Accounts.

Liz Tomlin proposed acceptance of the Accounts, Claudine Wallace seconded, and the Accounts were unanimously accepted.

- **Executive Board**

Sam Aitkenhead presented the list of BOSTU Executive Board Members.

- General Secretary: Sam Aitkenhead
- President: Deborah Podmore
- Executive Board Member: John McBride
- Executive Board Member: Joe Smith
- Executive Board Member: Eden Nabiyou

- Regional Officer – South England: Samantha Green
- Regional Officer – North of England: John McBride

There are currently 7 vacant seats.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 13.15.