



The British Society of Russian Philately

2015 Annual General Meeting of the Society held online

1. Confirmation of minutes of the previous AGM (attached)
(Proposed by Terry Page and seconded by Lenard Tiller)

2. The Secretary/Treasurer's Report 2015 (attached)
(Proposed by Peter Chadwick and seconded by Bjorn Sohrne)

3. Re-elections/Nominations of Society Officers and Committee Members

Standing for re-election

1. President – Lenard Tiller
2. Secretary/Treasurer/Journal Production/Website admin
- Caroline Ferreira
3. Journal Editor - Edward Klempka
4. Editorial board 1 - Terry Page
5. Editorial board 2 – Lenard Tiller
6. Committee member 1 - Kevin Holdridge (webmaster)
7. Committee member 2 - Terry Page (London W/E meetings)
8. Committee member 3 - Jackie Simpson
9. Committee member 4 - Roger Castle

10. N America Rep - David Skipton

The abovementioned Society Officers and Committee Members offered themselves for re-election. (Proposed by John D Myke and seconded by Peter Chadwick).

Jack Moyes has stepped down from the Editorial board. The Society thanks him for his contribution to past issues of the BJRP.

As the Society has not used the services of a Russia Consultant, the Society Officers agreed not to renew the position in 2016.

Elections – new

12. Editorial board 3 - Philip Robinson our proof reader has been invited to join as a member of the editorial board of the BJRP.

(Proposed by Edward Klempka, seconded by Bjorn Sohrne)

4. Any other business

1. An Honorary membership of the BSRP from January 2016 has been proposed for John Lea who joined the BJRP in 1959.

(Proposed by Caroline Ferreira and seconded by Keith Lloyd)

2. Journal Editor Edward Klempka proposed that the downloadable BJRP journals held on our website be made available to members - **and non-members**. There were no arguments FOR this action and 5 against. The sentiments all similar to those expressed by member John D Myke.

“The only benefit an overseas member such as myself receives, is the journal. Let's say I quit the society. Within the year I probably get access to the latest journal without any cost to me. If a large number of members start to think like this, where will the BSRP get the funds to publish further journals?”

(No change to current position proposed by Kevin Holdridge, seconded by Caroline Ferreira)

3. Proposed changes to the Constitution

Following a unanimous vote by the Society Officers and Committee Members and until further notice the AGM will be held online

following the guidance rules adopted for the 2015, which will be reviewed as necessary.

Permanent suspension of the Constitution's provision regarding the remuneration of officers in the form of a stipend paid annually to the Secretary/Treasurer.

The above proposed changes to the Constitution have been agreed by the Society Officers and will be written into the BSRP's constitution from 1 January 2016.

Message from current President Lenard Tiller

"I would like to thank all of those who have taken the time to participate in the Online AGM, and am sure that all the members prefer this option as opposed to attending the annual meeting in London, particularly our members from abroad.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Secretary/Treasurer Caroline Ferreira for all that she does for the society. Kevin Holdridge for keeping our website up to date, Terry Page for his organisation of the October meetings, our Editor Edward Klempka for planning the journal and all of the committee members for keeping the society alive."