

THE COLOUR GROUP (GREAT BRITAIN)

Minutes of the 401st Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 09 October 2013 at 11.00 hrs in room **AG01**, City University, London

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Present: Valerie Bonnardel (Chair), Lynne Bartlett, Vien Cheung, Marie- Claude Cousin, Karen Haller, Andrew Hanson, John Mellerio, Mike Pointer, Caterina Ripamonti, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona, Andrew Stockman, Elza Tantcheva, Lindsay MacDonald as Chair of AIC13.

13.01 Apologies for Absence: Janet Best

13.02 Members not present: Hannah Smithson, Philip O'Riley.

13.03 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the 400th meeting held on Wednesday 01 May 2013 had been circulated: the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

13.04 Matters Arising from the Minutes not already on the agenda

There were no matters arising.

13.05 Programme for 2013-14

a) **Red for Danger**

Prior to the meeting Committee had discussed via email the possibility of this Conference, organised by the IMechEE, being adopted as a joint venture and becoming the November meeting for our members. As the fee, announced in the summer, was initially £288 (after the expected reduction for CG members) and as there was concern that the IMechEE would request sharing of the speakers' fees the consensus was that the CG should only advertise the meeting to its members. In this context, as the decision was taken by email, the Committee agreed that in future this practice should be avoided and significant decisions should normally be taken at meetings.

JM suggested that in future if any Committee or Group member wants to organise a meeting, joint or otherwise, the Committee needs to be consulted in advance and the financial implications to the CG need to be presented clearly and well in advance at the first available Committee meeting.

KH enquired as to the procedure for advertising any meeting that might be of interest to the CG members and the answer was that it should be done through the Newsletter.

b) **November and December meetings - VB/KH, JB**

VB reported that all the speakers for the **6th November** meeting entitled **Blue Light: Benefits, Hazards and Sensitivities** will be finalised by the end of the week. She also confirmed that a Committee meeting is to be held prior to the event.

KH will cooperate with JB in organising the **4th December** meeting at a paint workshop in Dulwich under the title **Colour Makes People Happy**. As the spaces at each workshop will be limited to 20 participants VB asked for clarification as to how the day would be organised if there are more than the specified number of participants; could there be further visits? The idea was floated of taking children to the meeting. The participants should provide their own refreshments. The practical progress of ideas will be discussed at the next meeting if not before.

c) **January meeting –Palmer Lecture – JM, AS, LMCD**

As reported all speakers for the event have been secured and proposed a two tier fee: CG members fee to be £25 and optional fee of £10 for lunch. Non-members to be charged fee of £35 and optional fee of £10 for lunch, but if any of the non-members decide to join the CG it was agreed that they will receive a £5 discount on their membership. JM and AS need to agree on the way in which the reduction will be implemented within the restrictions of the booking system used at the moment. LMCD

will cooperate in the preparation of the **Palmer Lecture Certificate**.

d) February and March meetings – M-CC/KH, KR, All

VB suggested **Colour in Fashion** for the **5th February** meeting. M-CC agreed to begin organising the meeting by contacting Sandra Rhodes, to make some further enquiries. VB also suggested that speakers from the AIC could be invited.

Committee discussed holding the March meeting on Friday **21st March**, instead of on the traditional first Wednesday of the month (5th March) in order to mark **International Colour Day**. KH had suggested an event where the members and the public might physically interact with colour. A venue needs to be secured ASAP. CR proposed consulting the members to find out what they would like to do on the day when COLOUR is to be celebrated and promoted.

13.06 Finances

a) Review of accounts to date – VC, AH, All/MP

The Treasurer, VC, reported that in the period between January and September the CG expenses went up considerably, and this does not include the AIC expenses, which were kept separately. The income from sponsorship is significantly down. When the net income of CG is compared to its net expenditure, the total discrepancy is £2,383,49.

The most substantial expenses include £4,176.19 for meetings other than the regular ones, £2,000 for Palmer Bequest, £1,200 for accountancy fees, £941.85 for Halstead-Granville Teas. There had been expenses of £289.12 for sundries like printing, bank charges and expenses claimed by Committee members. (For further details please see three page spread-sheet analysis provided by the Treasurer.)

Measures considered:

- Publications of the CG to be advertised and attempts need to be made to sell more copies. AH will still send publications will to CG members free of charge.
- Accountancy fees were considered to be too high and for the next year it is necessary to investigate the possibility of changing accountants.
- Find ways to attract more sponsorship.

b) AIC13 Account - MP

The Treasurer of AIC13, MP, briefly presented the accounts of AIC13. At present there is a surplus of £31,000, but there are still liabilities of £35,000 outstanding. He put forward two additional items of expenditure that need to be considered: a bonus of £5,000 to Benchmark, for achieving over 600 paying registrations, and the reimbursement of the Social Activities Secretary of AIC13, Anya Hurlbert, for the loss incurred during the art event associated with the main reception (the most likely amount was considered to be between £2,000 and £3,000). MP estimated the total loss to the CG could finally amount to about £10,000, but he will report further on it.

VB argued, and MP agreed, that the delegates were fewer than 600 and therefore the bonus should not be paid. Moreover there are £4,000 in registration fees that need to be recovered. MP suggested that the bonus should be conditional on the recovering of the still outstanding registration fees and that Anya Hurlbert be offered reimbursement.

It was agreed that MP will circulate the overall position when more details have been provided by Benchmark and the accounts finalised.

13.07 Membership

The Membership Secretary compared the number of members at July 2013 with the number after the two major events with

which CG was recently involved and at which new members were recruited. At AIC13 we gained 46 members, 14 UK and 32 overseas, while ICVS gained 30 members, 7 UK and 23 overseas. At present there are 243 CG members compared to 167 before July. The total number of members residing in UK is 166 and members overseas are 77. The increase in membership had not yet had an impact on the income of the CG as the new members received one year's free membership.

CR confirmed that overseas members would continue to receive only an electronic newsletter and notification of meetings, thus not incurring additional costs.

13.08 Newsletter, Web pages – AH, JM

a) AH will attend to the redesign of the appearance of the printed Newsletter in the near future.

b) JM will carry out more work on the CG website pages. KH expressed an interest in providing some practical support.

13.09 Awards - MP

The Awards Secretary, MP, suggested that there was a need to re-think the selection process and the way the awards, WDW and Palmer, are applied. New membership should be encouraged, to increase the number of institutions and candidates applying. The CRS award is still to be hosted by the CG.

MP suggested that the WDW award could be used in future to sponsor the CG publications, but a further discussion is needed. MP will inform the Committee further by email.

13.10 Report on AIC13 – LMCD, JM, VB

LMCD reported that AIC13, in the organising of which he was involved between 2008 and 2013, was a successful

event that confirmed the leadership of the UK in the World of Colour, despite some criticism by participants (too many papers presented and too many posters on display) The Co-Chair, Steve Westland, the Treasurer, Mike Pointer, and the Social Activities Secretary, Anya Hurlbert were mentioned as the members of the executive committee of the AIC13 who contributed most to the success. **JM** suggested that the executive committee ought to write a thank you note to Anya, but after the finances are finalised.

LMCD will prepare a written report which will include contributions from the various officers and from Benchmark. He will contribute to the November Newsletter.

LMCD suggested to join the CG Committee as a representative of the CG to the AIC. It was commented that this function was usually devoted to the Chair or any designated member of the Committee.

After a short discussion, MP suggested that the Chair, Vice-Chair and the Secretary need to consider about this. VB agreed to take this forward and will inform Committee and LMCD of the decision.

LMCD also announced that he will be seeking the support of the CG Committee in 2015 for his nomination to the AIC Committee. After thanking LMCD for his initiative and enthusiasm for organising the 12th AIC Congress on the behalf of the CG(GB), VB suggested to LMCD to forward to the Chair or the Secretary any request for support he may have to be discussed at Committee meeting.

The meeting closed at 13.15 hrs

Schedule of Committee Meetings – ET, MR-C

date day time place

06 November 2013 Wednesday 11.00 City University. The venue TBA in the coming week and advertised to the Cttee.

THE COLOUR GROUP (GREAT BRITAIN)

Minutes of the 402nd Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 6th November 2013 at 11.00 hrs in room **ELG18**, City University, London

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The meeting commenced at 11.25 hrs as a fire alarm drill had been performed by the university security department.

Present: Valerie Bonnardel (Chair), Lynne Bartlett, Janet Best, Marie- Claude Cousin, Karen Haller, John Mellerio, Hannah Smithson, Andrew Stockman, Elza Tantcheva.

13.79 Apologies for Absence: Vien Cheung, Andrew Hanson, Mike Pointer, Caterina Ripamonti, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona.

13.80 Members not present: Philip O'Reilly.

13.81 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the 401st meeting held on Wednesday 09 October 2013 had been circulated: the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

13.82 Matters Arising from the Minutes not already on the agenda

There were no matters arising.

13.83 Programme for 2013-14

a) 5th February meeting: *Colour in Fashion* – M-CC/JB

It was agreed that the meeting will have four speakers, each allocated a slot of 30 minutes. The H-G Tea is to be held at

around 3:30 pm in accordance with the requirements of the caterers.

So far M-CC has secured two speakers for the meeting, Angela Wright and Janet Best. It was agreed that one of the remaining two speakers should be a student in the field of fashion. JB would try to help in finding the remaining speakers. M-CC will report on the progress of the preparations at the next meeting.

b) March meeting – International Colour Day -JB

It was decided that the ICD will be marked by our 21st March meeting, despite the fact that it has not yet been officially declared by UNESCO. VB said that there are already three national colour groups, Mexico, Australia and one other country that had already celebrated the ICD last year. At the 401st meeting KH mentioned a group called The Colour Run as a possible focus of the celebration, but had not been able to get hold of them. Another two suggestions were put forward: a) LB proposed a visit to Margate b) AS advanced the idea of a visit to the Colour Museum. Cttee decided that Margate is more acceptable as it will be a simpler event to organise.

13.84 Finances

a) Review of accounts to date –

In the absence of VC, the Chair, VB, commented on the Treasurer's report sent prior to the meeting. The total funds of the Colour Group are £153,000. However VB pointed that the £9,000 spent on ICVS is still to appear in the account sheet as well as the £3,000 loss on the AIC13 Congress. Furthermore MP is still negotiating the Benchmark bonus, worth between £4,000 and £5,000, as they in fact registered fewer than 600 delegates.

b) AIC13 Accounts - MP

The Treasurer of AIC13, MP, had circulated the accounts of AIC13 and the document was discussed. It was decided that the accounts are detailed, presenting a

comprehensive picture of the expenditure and income of the event. The next step will involve a close collaboration between VC and MP in order to finalise the CG's annual accounts. On completion the Chair will write a thank you note to MP

13.85 Joint Meeting with Gruppo del Colore (GdC) and Centre Francais de la Couleur (CFdC)

The Membership Secretary circulated in advance an outline of the advantages of CG joining the event, namely:

- We will have the opportunity to participate in the technical programme by proposing the invited speakers, adding new topics, etc.
- We will benefit from a discounted registration rate equal to 60 Euros. Note that this is cheaper than what we paid last year (80 Euros).
- The GdC annual meeting is fully funded by the registration fees. Thus we will not have to provide any financial contribution, unless we decide to sponsor one coffee break, like the Halstead- Granville tea [Bearing in mind that the number of participants is around 200].
- As for last year, we would collect CGGB Members' registrations using our very efficient PayPal system and then arrange for a bank transfer to the CdG around July 2014.

In principle, Cttee approved participation in the event and agreed that it will support two speakers to the extent of £250 each, but agreed that our general contribution will be discussed at the December meeting.

13.86 Newsletter, Web pages –JM, KH

a) JM suggested that the material and the links displayed on the webpage need to be sorted to avoid appearing untidy and to improve function and relevance. JM and KH will discuss the possible technical

improvements. JM will circulate questions when the work begins in order to let the members of the Cttee voice their opinion on particular points.

b) VB and JM discussed the necessity of finding a way of obtaining material for the occasional publication series. The need for Françoise Vienot to be contacted was reiterated.

13.87 Awards - VB

a) HS was nominated by VB and MP and accepted by the Cttee as the next Awards Secretary. She will shadow MP during the period before the next AGM.

Via email MP suggested several options for the future use of the WDW award:

- Restrict the awards to a maximum of three awards each year. This might serve to make them more competitive.
- Make no awards at all and divert our money to another project. For example, we could hold a student presentation meeting - similar to the October meeting - and present a cash prize to the best presented paper.
- We could sponsor a cash prize for a student at a UK conference, again for the best presented paper or poster.
- Use the money to sponsor our occasional publications.

Cttee favoured the first option and restated the number of the awards to three and agreed the selection should be done by ranking rather than by marking. The maximum amount that should be paid out to each recipient was limited to £500. This should be used towards travel and accommodation and excludes any registration fees.

b) MP was nominated as this year Newton medal recipient by Robert Hunt. Support for the nomination was also received from LMcD and ET. Cttee approved the nomination unanimously. It was decided that the Chair, VB, will write to MP.

13.88 Report on recent meetings

a) AS reported that the AGM was a good event. There were 24 delegates, of whom 15 were members and nine non-members.

b) VB announced that the Winchester meeting was very successful. The total number of participants was 161, 43 of whom were students. There were 67 oral presentations and 74 poster presentations.

c) AS considered the 9th *Conferenza del colore* to have been a good event. Speakers included John Barbur, John Mollon, Lynne Bartlett, Caterina Ripamonti, Galina Paramei.

13.89 Future of the Colour Group – KH, VB, All

a) KH will present the Questionnaires at another meeting.

b) Collaboration with SDC will be considered at the next meeting. VB suggested and was seconded by ET that an event, dedicated to the International Colour Day, could become a joint event.

c) VB reminded Cttee that the next volume of *Advancement of Colour* needs to be considered and needs to come out when the CG celebrates its 75th anniversary.

The meeting closed at 13.08 hrs

Schedule of Committee Meetings – ET, KH

date day time place

04 December 2013 Wednesday 11.00 am.

The venue TBA in the coming week and advertised to the membership.

THE COLOUR GROUP (GREAT BRITAIN)

Minutes of the 403rd Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 04th December 2013 at 11.00 hrs at **The Colour Makes People Happy Store**, 53 Grove Vale, East Dulwich, London SE22 8EQ

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The meeting commenced at 11.25 hrs.

Present: Valerie Bonnardel (Chair), Lynne Bartlett, Janet Best, Vien Cheung, Marie-Claude Cousin, Karen Haller, John Mellerio, Philip O'Reilly, Caterina Ripamonti, Andrew Stockman, Elza Tantcheva.

13.90 Apologies for Absence: Karen Haller, Mike Pointer, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona.

13.91 Other members not present: Hannah Smithson, Andrew Hanson.

13.92 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the 402nd meeting held on Wednesday 06th November 2013 had been circulated; the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

13.93 Matters Arising from the Minutes not already on the agenda

Archives needed to be removed from the City University, because of their lack of space. AS to house them and archives have to be sorted. MP might be the most suitable person to advise on the documents that are of any significance and thus have to be kept.

Marisa needs to confirm that City University, London is still the registered office and that the meetings will still be held at their premises.

13.94 Finances

a) Review of accounts to date –

The total funds of the Colour Group are £151,779.40. However VB pointed that the final amount of £10,300 spent on ICVS is still to appear on the account sheet. Moreover, MP is still to finalise and circulate the AIC13 accounts. The expected deficit is probably about £5,000.

b) Proposal for Travel Expenses to Committee Meetings JM/AS

JM proposed that for Committee meetings that precede an afternoon open or public meeting of the Group, Committee members who have to pay premium-rate fares because, in order to arrive for the start of the Committee meeting, they have to start their journeys before cheap day fares apply should only be able to claim as travelling expenses the difference between their actual fare and the relevant cheap-day fare.

VC and ET-B argued that such a policy would be discriminatory against the members of the Cttee who neither live in London nor have their expenses reimbursed by a third party. It was decided to keep the policy in place as stated in the minutes of the 392 meeting: '...that expenses should be paid for any Committee meeting, subject to the Guidelines, i.e. get an employer to pay, use cheap advance travel tickets, etc. JM was asked to revise the Guidelines with AS to make things absolutely clear, including the point that payment was finally at the discretion of the Chairman and Treasurer.

13.95 Membership

a) Report on current membership situation

Nine new members were gained from the promotional price advertised on the registration site for the January meeting. In future ET will change the layout of the meeting sheet and an additional column will be added to allow visitors to enter their

email addresses if they would like to be contacted by the Membership Secretary.

b) Policy on content to be forwarded to members

Only events relevant to the interests of the membership and educational events that might be beneficial to the propagation and advancement of the knowledge and the understanding of colour should be forwarded to the Membership Secretary for circulation amongst the members. Other types of information, even though forwarded via the AIC, should be sent to AH for inclusion in the Newsletter.

c) Drafting content of messages to be circulated

Each member of the Cttee should carefully draft information they want to be circulated amongst the membership before sending it to the membership secretary.

13.96 Joint Meetings and Collaborations - VB

a) AISB-50 (1-4 April 2014): New Perspective on Colour

VB was given a mandate to represent the CGGB at the next Cttee meeting of the Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and the Simulation of Behaviour (AISB) at Goldsmiths. **LB** raised the question of cost to the CGGB. **VB** explained that the AISB will pay for the day out of registration fees, but that there will be a cost for the CGGB stand which will be negotiated. **AS** suggested that the Newton lecture is organised at the end of the event, but that will be delivered free and tea and coffee will be provided.

b) The Dutch Colour Group: possible joint meeting in June 2014 in South Holland

It was decided that this meeting should instead be held in 2015. **ET** to write to them.

c) Possible collaboration with SDC and its extent

JM suggested that in view of the opposition of **JB** and **KH** this needed to be reconsidered at a future date and handled sensitively.

13.97 Programmes for 2013-14

a) 5th February meeting: Colour in Fashion – M-CC/JB/ JM

There will be five speakers. Three already confirmed: **Angela Wright**, **Janet Best**, **Susi Bellamy**. **JB** and **M-CC** to communicate the names of the other two as soon as possible, so that the event can be advertised on the website of CGGB.

b) March meeting – International Colour Day JB/ PO'R

As the Turner Museum at Margate has a full programme of events between April and September, ICD will be marked by holding our 21st March meeting at the William Road Gallery, Kings Cross, London,, on the last day of **Susi Bellamy's** exhibition (17-21 March) of reinterpretations of Mondrian in 3D. The gallery charges £500 per week or £250 per day. Cttee decided to contribute £250. **AS** suggested that an archive documentary about Land demonstration is presented at the event. **JB** proposed all the activities proposed for the Margate day should be transferred to this event. **LB** will work together with **JB** on the organisation of the day. It was decided that **Susi Bellamy** would be co-opted for the organising of this event.

PO'R offered to enquire into the possibility of using a free exhibition space in Islington.

13.86 Newsletter, Web pages –JM/ KH

a) **JM** reported that he and **KH** had started the process, but they still have to do more work.

13.85 Future Meetings and Celebrations

a) X Conferenza del Colore

Cttee reconsidered the allocation of its budget of £500 and approved the support of one speaker to the extent of £250 with the rest of the money being used to provide one of the tea breaks during the conference.

b) Plans for ICD 21st March 2015 JB

It is likely that the event will be held at the Turner Museum. JB suggested that it would be helpful if Susi Bellamy could be co-opted for this event.

c) Colour Group 75 years – May 2015

Archives will be consulted and the matter discussed at the next meeting.

d) The Advancement of Colour 1991-2016

Archives will be consulted and the matter discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 13.45 hrs

Schedule of Committee Meetings – ET/ M R-C

Day date time place

Wednesday 05 February 2014 11.00 am.

The venue TBA.

seen as over-elaborate *c/f*, for example, The Tate, and also because most of those from the CG were already CRB approved (although not for Omnibus work). Currently, PO'R had a major problem of getting publicity in the local schools though he hoped that would be organised in the following days with the help of his assistant.

Minutes of the 404th Meeting of the Committee

Wednesday 5th February 2014 at 11.00 hrs
in AG05, City University, London, EC1V 0HB

Because of a Tube strike the meeting started about 20 minutes late.

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Present: Valérie Bonnardel (Chairman), Lynne Bartlett, Janet Best, Vien Cheung, Marie-Claude Cousin, Karen Haller, Philip O'Reilly, Caterina Ripamonti, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona, Hannah Smithson, John Mellerio (acting secretary). Susi Bellamy in attendance.

Apologies for absence: Mike Pointer, Andrew Stockman, Elza Tantcheva.

13.86 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the 403rd meeting held on 04 December 2013 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

13.87 Matters arising from the previous minutes not on the agenda

- a) Retirement of Janet Best from the Committee: the Cttee noted her hard work for the CG and passed a vote of thanks for her untiring efforts over the past several years.
- b) Co-option of a new Cttee member: Susi Bellamy had been invited to the meeting from Northumberland University and was co-opted *nem con*.

13.88 Programme for 2013-2014

- a) **ICD, Friday 21 March 2014 at the Omnibus Clapham.** Planning was well in hand though PO'R, as coordinator, found the process of dealing with Omnibus stressful because of the very rigid way it operated. However, there were several plus points: the free services of a technical manager had been secured, a part time volunteer to assist PO'R in organising within the Omnibus was on board and the local library wished to be involved with a display of *Colour in Clapham*, on screens in the library and elsewhere, made from pictures submitted from the public for a prize. There would be a morning session in the theatre for children and a wider range of activities for all ages and throughout the ground floor of Omnibus after lunch. The CG had already agreed a budget of £250 and this was felt could cover any plans to purchase LED's for this event and which would be available subsequently for other CG activities. There was a discussion of why Omnibus required all "presenters" and ushers, etc. to be CRB approved but this was

- b) **New Perspectives in Colour, 03 - 04 April 2014, Goldsmiths College**, as part of the AISB Convention which is to run there from 1 April. This joint meeting had already been promised a *c/s* requested to take action had been made. Several names were suggested but no action agreed other than suggestions would be helpful.
- c) **AGM & Newton Lecture, Wednesday, 07 May 2014, City University.** This meeting would start at 14.00 hrs and at 14.30 or thereabouts, there would be a presentation of the Letters Patent for the new CG coat of arms, possibly by Robert Noel the College of Arms. This would be followed by the Halsted-Granville Tea and then the Newton Lecture by Mike Pointer introduced, it was hoped, by Bob Hunt.
- d) **Gruppo del Colore - X Colour Conference, 11 - 12 September 2014 Genoa, Italy.** Organised by GdC jointly with the CG (GB) and Centre Francaise de la Couleur. CR reported that there were five invited speakers including Françoise Vienot and Lindsay MacDonald plus a CRS sponsored speaker, Dr Jasna Martinovic from the University of Aberdeen. CG had agreed to sponsor the meeting for £500 but for what end had not been specified. Discussion produced two proposals: the money be used to defray the CG nominated speaker's expenses or for sponsoring a tea/coffee event. There followed a vote and by a small majority the Cttee voted to fund a tea/coffee event.

13.89 Finance

- a) VC presented a set of summary figures. The conclusion was that generally the accounts were satisfactory. She reported that the accounts to year end 2013 were being prepared and would soon be sent to the Accountants for completion prior to agreement at the AGM and submission to the Companies House.
- b) MP had circulated a set of figures for the AIC Congress in Gateshead. His figures and those of VC were slightly different but he had been able to close the account and reported a small 'loss' or subsidy from the CG to the AIC Congress. VC presented her figures which were essentially the same as those of MP and concluded that the subsidy had been approximately £2200 which, the Cttee felt considering the size of the event and the size of the budget, was a satisfactory outcome.

13.90 Membership

- a) CR reported that the new policy of making speakers members for a year, offering discounts

to attendees at meetings, and the increased drive for members at meetings, had resulted in a rise in membership but whether all new members, especially the speakers, would re-new was an open question. Currently membership was about 280 benefitting from 16 new ones from the January Colour Vision meeting.

- b) Springer, the publisher, had agreed to be Patron Members and their details would soon appear on the Patron Members web page.

13.91 Newsletter and Web Pages

- a) JM reported that he and KH had actually started looking at a re-design of the web pages; new forms for membership had been introduced and were working well. There was no report on the **Newsletter**.
- b) JM had nothing to report on the Occasional Publications except that back copies continued to sell at current meetings.

13.92 Reports of Recent Meetings

- a) AS had sent a report that the January meeting had been full and a good meeting with a lively dinner afterwards in a local restaurant.

13.93 Future Meetings and Events

- a) **Advancement of Colour 1991-2016: The Next 25 Years.** With the 75th anniversary in a couple of years VB said it was time to start preparing the sequel to *The Advancement of Colour*. Much of the material would be of an archive-list type and most was already on the web. But the beginning of the book might carry short pieces from various members, senior and younger, on what has happened since 1991. The Chairman undertook to seek and correlate these contributions. Individuals who might be approached include John Hutchings, Arthur Tarrant, Ralph Brockelbank, Bob Hunt, Jack Moreland, Roy Osborne, etc.

VB

- b) **Turner at Margate.** JB had been in contact with Turner at Margate and various ideas had been floated but it was now important to agree a date for a June weekend, possible 14 or 15. It would be a one-day event and might include LB's jewel colours, Colormondo, colour name game and other touchy-feely stuff, possibly more or less straight from *Colour in Clapham* as the audience catchment would be very different. As JB was retiring it might be that JM will liaise.

JM

13.94 AOB

- a) It was reported that the CG archives had now been moved to AS's office at the Institute of Ophthalmology since room at City had become unavailable. The archive had been culled again to reduce bulk.
- b) As the meeting was late and had overrun the following items were to be held over for the next meeting:

1. Joint meeting with Dutch Colour Group, 2016
2. Change of CG status to a CIO from a charity and a limited company.

Next Committee Meeting:

Wednesday 02 April 2014. As there is no public meeting that day, the location will be announced soon.

JM

THE COLOUR GROUP (GREAT BRITAIN)

Minutes of the 405th Meeting of the Committee

Wednesday 02nd April 2014 at 11.00 hrs in AG05, City University, London, EC1V 0HB. The meeting commenced at 11.05 hrs.

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Present: Valérie Bonnardel (Chairman), Lynne Bartlett, Vien Cheung, Marie-Claude Cousin, Karen Haller, Mike Pointer, Caterina Ripamonti, Hannah Smithson, Andrew Stockman, John Mellerio, Elza Tantcheva (Secretary).

Apologies for absence: Susi Bellamy, Andrew Hanson, Philip O'Reilly, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona.

13.95 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The draft of the minutes of the 404th meeting held on 05th February 2014 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

13.96 Matters arising from the previous minutes not on the agenda

The minutes from 1980s Cttee meetings are still archived in printed format. There are several meetings, the minutes of which have gone missing, but all attempts to recover them have failed. It was decided that the existing files need to be scanned and stored from then on electronically while the hard copies have to be shredded. **JM** is going to attend to the matter.

13.97 Programme for 2013-2014

a) 04 April 2014, Goldsmiths College: VB reported that all practical elements of the event, lecture theatre and wine reception have been finalised. Wine will be served before the public lecture in the interval 17:30-18:30 hrs and after the lecture 19:30-20:00 hrs. **ET** needs to contact AH and to organise delivery of the CG banner and the remaining occasional publications. Secretary also has to identify the volunteers who are willing to help with the manning of the CG stand before and after the lecture. **LB** volunteered to help before and after the public lecture.

b) AGM & Newton Lecture (7 May): AGM will begin after the presentation of the Coat of Arms of CG by the Lancaster Herald, Robert Noel. The Newton Lecture is to commence after the tea break, at 15:30 hrs. **VB** to contact AH in order to organise the collection and engraving of this year's Newton Medal.

c) Turner at Margate: JM reported that all is in hand and that the event is booked for 14th June, 13:30-16:30 hrs. The venue is open for set-up from midday, 12:00 hrs. The train fares of six participants will be paid by Margate. Those

who will participate need to state their requirements in advance.

13.98 Finances

a) Review of accounts to date: funds have already recovered and are at levels seen before AIC2013. At the moment the total funds amount to £140,136.61. There are additional funds of about a couple of thousand in the PayPal account that need to be transferred to the CG saving account(s), including the money generated by the Vision Meeting in January. **VC**

It was decided that the HSBC account, which existed to serve the needs of AIC2013, needs to be closed and the available £62,803.16 should be sent to the fixed interest account and the HSBC account is to be closed. The Lloyds Business account 30 Day 0757550 should be reduced to £5. **VC**

Insurance premium this year amounts to £174.86, similar to the last year's but the accountant's fees have gone up by nearly 50%, from £1,200 to £2,400. **VC** explained that the increase is limited to this year, as it was caused by the extra work that the accountant needed to do in connection with AIC2013. Philip O'Reilly's expenditure around the ICD in Clapham 2014 amounted to £223.90 which was considered to be reasonable. In connection with the general expenses policy, Cttee confirmed that for the members who live outside London advanced booking of second class should be sought and student or other cards in possession should be used to reduce the final amount payable by the CG. No accommodation fees should be reimbursed.

VC pointed to several anomalies: a) a member paying by standing order still contributes only £15 towards his membership fees. It was decided to leave the matter as it stands as the member lives in Germany since retirement. No action required. b) two members have been reimbursed by £20. This needs to be investigated. **VC** c) One member of CG pays by standing order only £12.50. It was decided that **VC** should contact Prof John Barbur who would know how to contact that member in order to attempt the recovery of the outstanding amount.

13.100 Report on Recent Meetings

a) Colour in Fashion and Design: MC-C reported that the event was very successful. Speakers enjoyed their participation. Despite the transport strike the attendance was high. There were 58 or 60 delegates in total.

b) ICD, 21st March Colour in Clapham: as PO'R was unable to be present other members of the Cttee who attended gave short reports. They could be summarised as very positive and most complimentary about the organisational skills of PO'R and the presentation of AH was singled out.

This year the event was organised with no funds to back it. It was decided that the CG will repeat the event next year and a budget needs to be approved by the next Cttee in order to expand the event.

13.101 Newsletter and Web Pages

a) Current situation: next Newsletter is due in April. The printed format will be kept alongside the electronic version as there are still members that would like to receive the Newsletter via post. **AH**

JM showed a proposed new design for the CGGB web pages. This was discussed and suggestions were made, e.g. it was proposed that the events page should consist of two columns, one for present events and one for forthcoming events. The aims of the CG, as in the memorandum, should be added (**JM**). The idea of keeping a blog was floated, but no action plan was suggested.

The membership page with the application form is to be refined to make the joining online easier. It was decided that, in connection with the electronic form, links to both the terms and conditions and the privacy policy should be added in order to protect the CG from liability claims. **JM**

b) To report current situation with the occasional publications: it was reported that there have not been any changes to the situation, but it will continue to be monitored. **JM**

13.102 Charity, SORP and management matters

a) Approval of Secretary's Report to the Trustees 2013. The report was approved, but the following minor changes were suggested: the title 'Professor' should be added in front of the name of AS, chair of the CG Cttee during 2012-2013. The word 'amazing' should be removed in the analysis of the membership numbers. Estimates need to be provided for the numbers of attending members and visitors, in the two cases where only total number of attendees was available. The abbreviation of International Colour Vision Society ICVS should be added at the beginning of page four. Under the section describing awards in the third section the abbreviation VSS needs to be spelt out as Visual Science Society and the names of the recipients need to be added. Finally, the consistency of the formatting needs to be checked and where necessary corrected. **ET**

b) Review of policies and procedure concerning risk: the document was pre-circulated, but will be reviewed at the meeting on 7th May.

c) Nominations of officers or Cttee members for 2014/2015: The deadline for the nomination of officers and Cttee members is 11th April 2014. **ET** reported that three nominations have been received so far. Two for officers: Carinna Parraman as Vice Chair and Dimitris Milonas as Membership Secretary for the duration of one year only. One Ordinary member: Catherina Ripamonti.

13.103 Awards 2014

a) To report the evaluation of the award panel and agree the names of the recipients:

CRS award (£500) was given to Bradley Pearce – University of Newcastle to present *Illumination*

Discrimination Reveals "Blue" Bias of Colour Constancy in Real and Simulated Scenes at 13th Annual Meeting of Vision Sciences Society (VSS), Florida, USA.

WRW award (£500) was given to Hanna Gillespie-Gallery – City University to present *Motion Capture of Colour-Defined Background Textures by Sub-Threshold, Luminance-Defined, Motion Signals* at the European Conference on Visual Perception in Belgrade, Serbia.

The application of John Ryan – Glasgow College of Art (*Derridaffective Ecologies*) was rejected as not being relevant to the objectives of WRW award.

b) Nominations for the Turner Medal: subcommittee needs to be organised to include Cttee members with interest in art or who have their own artistic practices. Details to be agreed at a later meeting. **AH** needs to include call for nominations for the Turner Medal in the next *Newsletter*.

13.104 Future Meetings, Celebrations, etc

a) Proposals for 2014/2015: at this stage a few ideas were circulated. The January Colour Vision meeting in 2015 will be organized by Galina Paramei, Liverpool Hope University and Sophie Wuerger, University of Liverpool. Galina will organize a session on colour and cognition. The potential Palmer lecturer was discussed and it was suggested that this year's lecture should be a European scholar. Location to be determined.

2015 is the UNESCO Year of Light and it was suggested that CG should approach European Physical Society for possibility of organising a joint event.

JM reported that Arthur Tarrant had suggested that new light technologies and colour rendering could be the subject of one of the meetings in 2015.

b) ICD in Clapham, 21st March 2015: it was decided that **AH** will organise the event.

13.105 Color Research and Application

MP has been the UK representative on the Editorial Cttee of the journal up till now, but is looking to retire at the end of 2015. In order to maintain the link CG needs to nominate a Member of the CG to fill the vacancy. A number of possible candidates were mentioned. **MP** to write an article for the Newsletter in connection with the 40th anniversary of the journal in 2015.

13.106 AOB

Next Cttee Meeting is to be held Wednesday, **07th May** at **11:00hrs** in **AG05**, City University, London, EC1V 0HB. It will be followed by presentation of the Coat of Arms at 14:00 hrs in **B307B/C**, followed by AGM. The NEWTON LECTURE will be at 15:30 hrs in **B307B/C**.

Towards the end of the meeting, at 13:00hrs the Chairman, the Treasurer and the Membership Secretary left. From that point the meeting was chaired by the Vice-Chairman. The meeting closed at 13:40hrs.

THE COLOUR GROUP (GREAT BRITAIN)

Minutes of the 406th Meeting of the Committee

Wednesday 07th May 2014 at 11.00 hrs in AG05, City University, London, EC1V 0HB. The meeting commenced at 11.11 hrs.

Bold initials indicate who is requested to take action

Present: Valérie Bonnardel (Chairman), Lynne Bartlett, Susi Bellamy, Vien Cheung, Marie-Claude Cousin, Andrew Hanson, Mike Pointer, Hannah Smithson, Andrew Stockman (Vice-Chairman), John Mellerio, Elza Tantcheva (Secretary).

Apologies for absence: Karen Haller, Caterina Ripamonti, Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona. Cttee took a decision that a token from Mothercare or any similar company should be sent as a gift from the CG to MC-R when her baby arrives. **VC** volunteered to purchase and post the gift.

Members not present: Philip O'Reilly.

13.107 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The draft of the minutes of the 405th meeting held on 02nd April 2014 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

13.108 Matters arising from the previous minutes not on the agenda

In order to save time at meetings, it was decided that when documents (such as minutes, agendas and reports) are circulated for comment and/or approval, **ET** will set a reasonable deadline for response.

13.109 Programme for 2014-2015

a) 5th June Somerset House exhibition tour – SB offered to organise a private tour of the *Form through Colour: Josef Albers, Anni Albers and Gary Hume*, led by Christopher Farr. Because there is a limited number of places on the tour booking will be required. **CR** will circulate details of the event amongst the membership and **SB** will receive the bookings.

b) 14th June Turner at Margate: JM reported that all is in hand and that the event is booked for 14th June, 13:30-16:30 hrs. The venue is open for set-up from midday, 12:00 hrs. The train fares of six participants will be paid by Margate. Sadly Janet Best will not be able to attend.

c) Programme for next academic year: Outline of the programme can be found at the end of the document in Table 1.

13.110 Finances

a) Review of accounts to date: the HSBC account, which existed to serve the needs of AIC2013, has not been closed but the funds have been transferred to the investment fund account.

The Lloyds Business account 30 Day 0757550 was reduced to £5.

The recipient of the WD Wright Award – Hanna Gillespie-Gallery from City University – has received her payment.

VC reported that the refunds of £20 each made by the bank to two members cannot be recovered either from the bank or from the members, but arrangements have been made to ensure that the bank makes no such payments in future.

13.111 Membership

a) Report on current situation: CR was not present, but JM reported that 12 people had applied online since the conference *New Perspectives on Colour*. However, although the PayPal account and the form had been made much easier to use, some of the applicants have still not paid their subscription, thus they could not yet be considered members of the CG.

13.112 Report on Recent Meetings

a) 04th April 2014, *New Perspectives on Colour*, Goldsmiths College: VC, who represented CG at the event, reported that the conference was successful and that conference papers are to be published in the AIC Journal. Moreover, Goldsmiths College expressed an interest in keeping in touch with the CG.

The public lecture by HS after the conference, backed by the CG, was also successful. It attracted about 35 people and one person, Prof MacLeish from York University, joined the CG that day.

13.113 Newsletter and Web Pages

a) Current situation: Next Newsletter will be compiled soon. The printed format will be kept alongside the electronic version as there are still members who would like to receive the Newsletter via post. **AH** To aid the preparation. Cttee members were asked to look for colour news that they can contribute. **ET** is to send a reminder to the Cttee about their expected contributions. **SB** volunteered to send information about current art exhibitions that might be of interest to the membership. JM reported that further progress has been made on refining the design of the CG website. Despite the challenge which the project presents, he is convinced that he will be able to complete the new website in about a couple of months without having to employ professional web-designers therefore saving considerable funds in the process. **JM** suggested that making some pages on the website available to the membership only and for that purpose being made accessible only by the use of a password, was possible but probably not worth the

complexity as currently there was little material that was for members eyes only.

b) Occasional publications: it was suggested that AS's public lecture and this year's Newton Lecture could be the new occasional publications. The matter will be discussed further with HS and MP. **VB/ JM**

13.114 Charity, SORP and management matters

a) Review of policies and procedures concerning risk: Because of the tight schedule of the meeting and because the matter requires a detailed review it was decided that the assessment will take place at one of the forthcoming meetings, but before the end of the calendar year.

b) Approval of Trustees Report and Accounts for the Year Ending 31st December 2013:

Both the report and the accounts were approved by the Cttee and the relevant pages were signed by the Chairman, the Secretary and the Treasurer. **VC** took on the responsibility of posting the document to Walji & Co Private Clients Limited, accountants for the CG, for the finalising of the Accounts and filing at Companies House.

c) Nominations of officers or Cttee members for 2014/2015: The deadline for the nomination of officers and Cttee members was 11th April 2014. As there were no nominations from the ordinary membership, Cttee officers and members agreed a block nomination that was to be presented to the AGM for a final vote. The proposed list of the Cttee for 2014/2015 is at Appendix 1

d) Patrons and their representation on the CG website: it was decided that because of the charitable status of the society the CG website cannot display any links to commercial products. This decision was prompted by some earlier enquiries made by commercial outfits. However, the CG website will continue to display links to its patrons' websites and any company requesting material to be inserted on the CG web site should be invited to become a Patron Member.

13.115 Future Meetings, Celebrations, etc.

a) ICD in Clapham, 21st March 2015: **AH** confirmed that he will lead the preparations for the event.

b) October 2014 Meeting: **SB** volunteered to organise a curator-led tour of the Malevich exhibition on 1st October. **SB** will inform the Cttee of any costs involved and seek its approval via email, as there is no Cttee meeting scheduled before that of 1st October. Because this is the last date of the exhibition that coincides with CG meeting it was decided that the Awards Meeting, initially planned to take place that month, will be held the following month, at the 5th November meeting.

13.116 Awards 2014

a) To report matters of interest: MP had promptly informed the recipients of the WDW award - Hanna Gillespie-Gallery (City University, London) and CRS award - Bradley Pearce (University of Newcastle) of their

success. It was suggested that in future other ways of utilising the funds that could encourage young talents need to be considered. This subject will be discussed in more detail during the next academic year, after HS officially becomes the new awards officer. **HS**

13.117 AOB

The Cttee noted MP's hard work for the CG and passed a vote of thanks for his untiring efforts over the past several years and especially for his work on the AIC 2013 Congress.

Next Cttee Meeting is to be held Wednesday, 02nd **October** at **11:00** hrs. Venue TBA

The meeting closed at 13:15hrs.

Table 1: Programme for 2014 -2015

Day	Orgnser	Time	Topic	Place
Thursday/Friday 11-12/09/14	CR		Gruppo del Colore - X Colour Conference Jointly with the CG (GB) and Centre Francais de la Couleur	Genoa, Italy
Wednesday 01/10/14	SR	TBA	Malevich Exhibition Curator led tour of the exhibition	Tate Modern
Wednesday 05/11/14	HS	14.00 hrs	Awards Meeting Awardees of the WRW and CRS awards.	City University
Wednesday 03/12/14		14.00 hrs	Preparations in process	
Wednesday 07/01/15	Galina P., Sophie W.	10.00 hrs All day	Colour Vision Meeting & Palmer Lecture and CRS Sponsored Lecture The annual meeting on colour vision plus the Palmer Lecture and the CRS Sponsored Lecture.	TBA
Wednesday 04/02/15		14.00 hrs	Preparations in process	TBA
Wednesday 04/03/15			Cttee meeting only	City University
Saturday 21/03/15	AH	TBA	International Colour Day in Clapham Some appropriate activity	Omnibus
Wednesday 01/04/15		14.00 hrs	Turner lecture	TBA
Wednesday 06/05/15		14.00 hrs		City University
Summer Visit, etc.				

Appendix 1: Committee Officers and Membership for 2014-2015

	2013-14	2014-15
Chairman	Valerie Bonnardel 1	Valerie Bonnardel 2
Vice-Chairman	Andrew Stockman 2	Carinna Parraman 1
Secretary	Elza Tantcheva	Elza Tantcheva
Treasurer	Vien Cheung	Vien Cheung
Membership	Caterina Ripamonti	Dimitris Milonas
Newsletter	Andrew Hanson	Andrew Hanson
Awards Officer	Mike Pointer	Hannah Smithson
Member	Hannah Smithson 2	Lynne Bartlett 2
Member	Karen Haller 2	Philip O'Reilly 2
Member	Lynne Bartlett 1	Marie Claude Cousin 2
Member	Janet Best 1 (resigned)	Catherina Ripamonti 1
Member	Philip O'Reilly 1	Susi Bellami 1
Member	Marie Claude Cousin 1	Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona 1
Coopted	Lindsay MacDonald (AIC2013 until July)	John Mellerio (Webmaster)
Coopted	Marisa Rodriguez-Carmona (City Rep)	Janet Best
Coopted	Prof John Mellerio (Webmaster)	Karen Haller
Coopted	Susi Bellami	