

The Passiflora Society International, Inc. (PSI)

Minutes of PSI AGM held on 16th June 2019 at the Library Annexe, Richmond UK

PRESENT

	<u>Position prior to election</u>
John Vanderplank, chairing	President
Robert Rice	Registrar and Acting Vice-President and Secretary
Salvatore LaDelfa	Seedbank Manager and Social Media Liaison Officer
Sergio Lloreda (from 4pm)	Webmaster
Dusha Hayes	
Peter Maynard	
Martin Wills	
Rosemary Mynors (by proxy)	
Jane Lindsay (by proxy)	Seedbank Assistant Manager
Mattias Lanas (online vote)	Newsletter editor
Bipin Lade (online vote)	

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Stefania Mattiuzzo	Treasurer
Dan Pogust	Social Media Content Manager

1. OPENING AND NEW CONSTITUTION. The meeting being quorate, John Vanderplank opened it at about 2.30pm and called on Robert Rice to explain the need for the proposed New Constitution circulated prior to the meeting. It was then adopted unanimously and signed by John ([see separate document](#))
2. ELECTIONS All officers and committee members having resigned their position under the old constitution, elections were then held to the Management Committee (MC) under the New Constitution. The following were elected unanimously:
 - Salvatore LaDelfa
 - Sergio Lloreda
 - Stefania Mattiuzzo
 - Robert Rice
 - John VanderplankRobert explained that under the New Constitution, the MC would then appoint the new officers. [[see minutes of MC meeting](#)]
3. PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS AND BUDGET. On behalf of the Treasurer, Robert Rice presented the current financial position of PSI and a proposed budget (available on request to premium members). These showed sufficient funds in the accounts (including receivables) to cover the costs of the hard copy 2017 and 2018 newsletter, but work would be needed to cover the 2019 newsletter.
4. NEWSLETTER. We agreed to aim to publish the pending 2017 Newsletter (including the 2016/7 Register) by end July 2019. In order to meet this deadline, Robert McPhail should be requested to send the text to Mattias Lanas by end June and Mattias should finish layout etc by July 30th. [In the event the newsletter was published on 6th September]

We also agreed that the PSI needs to have a commissioning editor that would be responsible for contacting and organizing suitable PSI members and others to submit articles. John Vanderplank indicated his willingness to take on this role.

5. REGISTER: Robert Rice confirmed that once the 2016/7 Register was published and the main PSI website completed, and his other immediate work as Vice-President and Secretary was out of the way, he would resume work as Registrar with a view to getting 2018 and 2019 cultivars reviewed and ready for one or more of the 2018 and/or 2019 newsletters.
6. SEEDBANK: Sal reported that he had already received seeds from John Vanderplank and Sergio Lloreda in order to restart the European seed bank. Sal mentioned that Tacsonias and edible Passiflora seeds would be particularly interesting to have in it. The seed bank exchange will only be available in the first instance to premium members.
7. WEBSITE. Robert Rice presented the new website. He explained that Sergio had not succeeded in getting a sensible quote from his local web development firm, so had asked him to pursue an alternative he had found with AppleGreen Websites in the UK. This had proved successful, although some elements (notably the membership function) had not been finished by the date of the meeting. He expressed PSI's thanks to our former webmaster, Liza Rock, for all the work shed had done on the old website and for facilitating the transition. [The membership function was finally restored after testing and changes to make it more reliable on 28th August]
8. MADEIRA CONFERENCE. We were expecting at least 10 members (plus their guests) people for the PSI Madeira meeting.
9. CLOSE. There being no other business, the formal meeting closed at about 4.30pm

Sergio Lloreda and Robert Rice
5th July 2019