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Minutes of Africa Now Annual General Meeting 2008  
held at GEXSI offices 1 Birkenhead Street Kings Cross London  
9<sup>th</sup> October 2008

**Present**

Phillip Angell, Mark Davis, Bill Gray, Charles Lutyens, Christine Purdy, Roger Slade

**Apologies**

Candida Barbato

**In attendance**

Usha Kar, Kim Guard, Svetlana Duncalf

Minutes of last AGM

Minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair



**Trustees' Report and Financial Statements, Year Ended 31 March, 2008**

Approval of the Trustees' Report and Financial Statements was deferred until a subsequent Board meeting to be held on 20 November 2008 because the relevant documents were only received late afternoon 8 October and Trustees needed additional time to consider. To support their consideration of these papers Trustees requested more up to date information in the form of a balance sheet to address the fundamental uncertainty of the organization as a going concern.

**Changes to the Articles of Association**

These were agreed as proposed

**Trustee appointments**

The 3 longest serving trustees retired and were all eligible to stand for election. Bill Gray, Roger Slade, and Mark Davis.

Bill Gray nominated Roger Slade for election. Seconded by Mark Davis.

Charles Lutyens nominated Bill Gray for election seconded by Christine Purdy.

Roger Slade nominated Mark Davis for election seconded by Phillip Angell.

All were unanimously elected.

**Election of officers**

It was agreed that a postal vote from Candida Barbato can be accepted.

Phillip Angell stood down as Chair.

Christine Purdy and Roger Slade both stood for election as Chair. Each gave a brief idea of what they might bring to AN and their vision for the organization.

They then left the room and ballot papers were distributed and put in a bag then counted by Phillip Angell.

The result was announced and Christine Purdy was duly elected as the new Chair.

PA thanked all for their support to him in his role as Chair. He stated there was a fantastic vision and role in Africa for Africa Now.

CP expressed absolute appreciation of everything PA has done while in the role of Chair in Africa Now and the great resource he remains in his role on the board.

CP invited RS to take the role of Vice Chair but this was declined.

CP asked CL to take the role of acting Treasurer in the interim. CL accepted in an informal role.

*Ch. Purdy*  
29/07/09

**THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 TO 1980**

**COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE  
AND NOT HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL**

**MEMORANDUM  
and  
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION  
of  
AFRICA NOW**

**Incorporated the 28th day of April, 1981  
Amended the 25th day of September, 1996  
Amended the 23rd day of July, 1999  
Amended the 20th day of November, 2007  
Amended the 9th day of October, 2008**