



## MINUTES OF THE SEAC 11<sup>TH</sup> AGM IN LEICESTER, AUGUST 12<sup>TH</sup> 2003

In the Geology Department of the University (Leicester, UK) at 16:30 hours of August 12<sup>th</sup> 2003.

1. The President of SEAC proposes the Agenda of the Meeting.
  1. Adoption of the Agenda
  2. Receive and approve the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> AGM, Tartu 30 August 2002
  3. The problem of elections
  4. Publications of previous meetings.
  5. Newsletter.
  6. SEAC Web Site
  7. Annual Fee
  8. Dates and venues for future SEAC Meetings
  9. Treasurer's Report for the period 2002-2003
  10. Any other business
  11. Provisional date and place of next AGM

It is adopted by the Assembly.

2. The Secretary presents the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> AGM in Tartu and they are approved with minor modifications.
3. There should have been elections in 2002. However, for various organization problems they were not celebrated in due time. Considering the situation of irregularity that this represents, the Secretary proposes to the Assembly to celebrate the elections during the current AGM. The proposal is approved by unanimity.

The proposal of renewing the EC with the same President, Secretary and Treasurer for another 2 years, until 2005, is approved..

The candidates of the list for Vice-President proposed at the previous AGM in Tartu are voted. From this process, the following members are elected as Vice-Presidents of SEAC

  - Arnold Lebeuf
  - Mary Blomberg
  - Emilia Pasztor
  - Jonas Vaiskunas
  - Michael Rappenglueck

It is decided that the President will communicate this decision to the new members of the EC.

4. The President informs on the status of the publication of previous SEAC Meetings.
  - § The Proceedings of SEAC 1995 in Sibiu has been re-edited. The volume has been finally distributed to the contributors.
  - § It is remembered that Ocarina Books have taken care of distribution of Proc. from Bochum (SEAC94, sold out, however) and Dublin (SEAC98, reprinted). They take 35% for distribution.
  - § The Secretary informs that around 50 copies of the volumes of Oxford VI – SEAC 99 conference in La Laguna have survived the severe flooding of Santa Cruz de Tenerife on March 31<sup>st</sup> 2002. He will contact the OAM to investigate the possibility that Ocarina might take care of their distribution.
  - § The Proceedings of Stockholm 2001 has been successfully edited. They are presented at the AGM by one of its editor, Dr. Mary Blomberg.
  - § The proceedings of Tartu 2002 are under the process of refereeing and editing. It is expected that they will be published at some stage during 2004.

5. Newsletters. The President announces once more the delay in the preparation of the Newsletter due to various reasons. A decision about the Newsletter must be taken. It is postponed to the next AGM.
6. The Secretary informs that the SEAC Web site has being actualised. The venues for meetings and the publications are updated.
7. As usual, the membership fee must be discussed.  
It is decided by unanimity to keep the membership (Euros) at exactly the same quantities:
 

Western Europe and North America	20 Euros
Countries passing to UE in 2004	5 Euros
Rest of the World	2 Euros
8. Dates and venues for future SEAC meetings.

As proposed by Dr- Emilia Pasztor, and approved in Tartu, **SEAC 12<sup>th</sup>-2004** would be held somewhere in **Hungary** in the last week of August 2004.

It is remembered that it is the intention of the EC that this meeting may act as a bridge with the European archaeological community and that this meeting could be crucial for the future of SEAC. Also, a special session on the Venus transit is proposed.

It is also temporally approved that **SEAC 13<sup>th</sup>-2005** could be held in **Isili (Sardinia)** at the end of June of 2005. The Secretary will further develop the actual possibilities of this venue to come with a precise proposal for the AGM of SEAC 12<sup>th</sup>.

In the next years, there are the following possibilities (totally open at this moment):

- 14<sup>th</sup>-2006: The Meeting may be held in Callanish (Scotland). The aim of this meeting is to coincide both in time and space, with the possibility to observe a major lunar standstill (occurring once every 18.6 years) at the very well known cromlech. Clive Ruggles will investigate this possibility contacting his colleague Patrick Ashmore.
- 15<sup>th</sup>-2007: Preliminary fixed at the town of Moletai (Lithuania). Perhaps devoted to Ethnoastronomy.
- 16<sup>th</sup>-2008: Preliminary fixed in September at Lanzarote (Canary islands, Spain). With an special session devoted to Rock Art.
- 17<sup>th</sup>-2009: There is a very preliminary proposal by E. Boutsika to held it in Greece.
- Prof. Santucci also offers the possibility to have a SEAC meeting in Corsica in the future.

9. Treasurer s Report.

Balance of Funds as at 12 June 2003	642.98 Euro or 755.84 US\$
Income (membership)	187.77 Euro
<u>Funds as of August 8 2003</u>	<u>829.94 Euro or 976.84 US\$</u>
Total Number of Paid membership 2002-2003	21

It is argued that this number is too low and that it must be incremented somehow.

10. Any other business.  
It is suggested that a serious Bibliography on Cultural astronomy must be produced and published in the WEB. The EC is committed to study that possibility.  
The President informs that his report for the period 2002-2003 will be delayed and that possibly will be included in the incoming newsletter.
11. Hopefully, we will meet for the next AGM of the Society at a village in Hungary (still to be confirmed) at the end of August of 2004

In La Laguna, July 21<sup>st</sup> 2004

Juan Antonio Belmonte Avilés  
SEAC Secretary