# MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE SOUTH WEST BRANCH OF THE BCS HELD AT ROYAL OAK, SOUTH BRENT ON TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010

#### **Present:**

Dr. Paul Dowland(PD), Janet Kneller(JK), Mark Culverhouse(MC), Alastair Revell (AR), Kevin Chamberlain(KC)

## **Apologies:**

Prof Steven Furnell(SF), Dr. Shirley Atkinson(SA), Nathan Clarke (NC), Ted Draper(ED), Kent McClymont (KM), Dr. Jonathan Fieldsend(JF), Andy Phipps(AP)

## Minutes of previous meeting:

Minutes from 11<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were accepted as true record.

#### **Matters Arising:**

- Plymouth Chamber of Commerce no progress **Action SF**
- Postgraduate bid application has been submitted
- History of Computing Brochure to be worked on soon with BCS branding and input. **Action SF**
- AGM Expected to be held end Sept/Oct, poss w/c 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. Potential speaker from Apple **JK to check with HQ and also notice periods**
- Hawkeye speaker no longer available
- Need to identify potential speakers from member questionnaire circulated –
   Action NC

### **Events:**

The following outline event program was discussed:

- Jan 26th IP on Social Networking sites (AR) at The Bridge, Topsham proved very popular venue again
- 20<sup>th</sup> May IBM Agile Testing at Exeter (**JF**)
- July Social event/BBQ proposed for Turf Lock hotel, Exeter. 1<sup>st</sup> week July, Thursday 7pm seemed most popular day (i.e. 8<sup>th</sup> July). Free for members, at cost for guests. As it's a 'self-cook' BBQ, we need a chef or 2! <a href="http://www.turfpub.net/bbq\_booking.php">http://www.turfpub.net/bbq\_booking.php</a>
- AGM will be in end September/October Apple? **Action SF**Need to hold committee meeting before to propose committee members
- Jan 2011 Games design + Development (**KM**)

#### **Finance:**

Budget for FY09-10 is £2020. Balance remaining is £333. Bid for 2010/11 submitted for £4416 + Degree prizes. Expect response by end of June.

# HQ:

KC reported on recent Council and BMC meetings, and the current situation with the EGM call. More details had already been circulated to Committee members.

## AOB:

- Exeter Chamber of Commerce Branch are now members. AR to co-ordinate and arrange details to be posted on CoC website.
- BCS have requested a PR person to be given access to BCS website. **AR has volunteered**.

# **Next Meeting:**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010 – 7pm – Royal Oak, South Brent