MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE SOUTH WEST BRANCH OF THE BCS HELD AT ROYAL OAK, SOUTH BRENT ON MONDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2011

Present:
Prof Steven Furnell(SF), Dr. Paul Dowland(PD), Dr. Nathan Clarke (NC), Ted Draper(ED), Janet Kneller(JK), Alastair Revell (AR), Kevin Chamberlain(KC), Chris Dunning (guest of SF)

Apologies:
Dr. Shirley Atkinson(SA), Kent McClymont (KM), Dr. Jonathan Fieldsend(JF), Andy Phipps(AP)

SF introduced Chris Dunning, ex North London Branch now with Plymouth Libraries, who are interested in joint events with the Branch. The committee members introduced themselves.

Minutes of previous meeting:
Minutes from 19th June 2011 were accepted as true record.

Matters Arising:
- Video Camera – had been located and returned to Plymouth
- List server for committee – does exist, and membership list has been updated

Events:
AGM will be in 29th September at 6:30pm, speaker re Games design at 7pm
Catering arranged for 40 afterwards from 8pm, Tea & Coffee available from 6pm
All committee members are happy to continue – **Action KC** to issue notice & nominations forms.

The following outline event program was discussed:

- Oct — Social Networking by Bond Pearce (joint with IISP)
- Nov — Retro computing – **PD** to sort venue (**SF/NC**)
- Dec — Childline, online security by Steve Wheeler – (**SA)**
- Jan — Bridge Inn - Debate? On Open Source **(ED/AR by early Oct)**
- Feb — Why should I be CITP? (**AR**)
  File sharing – legal or illegal? (joint with Plymouth library)
  Hi-tech crime unit (**NC to confirm mid Oct**)

Other suggestions:
IT for business – contact Chamber of Commerce/FSB (**AR**)
Online Security for parents
Technical knowledge for home users
Using/upgrading systems for older users
What makes a good website/ISP?

Finance:
Branch had spent around £2300 of the £2800 budget for 2010/11
Next year's budget is £2500
Business SW exhibition had offered a stand for £510 – agreed not worth the investment for branch.

HQ:
Branches Convention – 18th October – Branch has 2 places available
Recording events – Feedback required on it's use. PD to update stats on use of Branch website and viewing of videos. Some success has been had uploading security related presentations to iTunesU – with over 600 views of recent speaker.

AOB:

- Should YPG reps be considering school/student event/competition? (**KM**)
- Need to recruit Plymouth based YPG to replace Mark (**SF/NC**)

Next Meeting:

November 14th – South Brent