

Date: 27th March 2014 at Indianapolis, USA
Attendance: all LAK14 Attendees
SoLAR Executive in attendance: Simon Buckingham Shum; George Siemens; Caroline Haythornthwaite; Dragan Gasevic; Shane Dawson; Grace Lynch; Xavier Ochoa; Alyssa Wise; Phil Long; Stephanie Teasley

President called the meeting to order at 12:15pm.

1. President's Welcome (George Siemens):

- Discussion of SoLAR and background.

2. Approval of Minutes from AGM 2013, 11 April, 2013

- Posed by George Siemens
- Moved by Doug Clow and seconded.

Approval of minutes passed

3. President's report (George Siemens):

- i. *General discussion and overview of SOLAR*
 - Overview of SoLAR activities completed in 2013
 - Presentation of SoLAR future plans and activities for 2014
 - Short term goals – Learning Analytics Masters Program; Open Learning Analytics; support for Doctoral students and support for growing community
 - Communication process to members via google groups and website membership information as well as the future development of Special Interest groups
 - Benefits of membership
 - Statement of financial position
- ii. *Statement of financial position*
 - Full report available via website
 - Question by Rebecca Ferguson – is this in US dollars?
 - Currently in Canadian dollars but will be investigating a US dollar account.
- iii. *Research*
 - Shane Dawson – overview of research project with the Office for Learning and teaching in Australia – review of the analytics activities in Australia and future directions. Request for members to provide input if interested.
- iv. *Journal of Learning Analytics*
 - Dragan Gasevic – Journal of Learning Analytics. Outlined forth coming special issues.

4. Executive

- i. *Incoming 2014 Executive – Office bearers*
 - President – George Siemens
 - President Elect – Dragan Gasevic

- Vice President – Simon Buckingham Shum
- Secretary – Caroline Haythornthwaite
- Treasurer – Shane Dawson
- Executive Manager – Grace Lynch

ii. Members at large

- Xavier Ochoa
- Phil Long
- Alyssa Wise
- Erik Duval
- Stephanie Teasley

iii. Outgoing 2013 Executive

- Many thanks for all the support from the outgoing executive
- Dan Suthers
- Roy Pea
- Ulrich Hoppe
- Hiroaki Ogata
- John Campbell

Opportunities for Questions

- Do we become part of the executive? George outlined the process in voting processes
- Where will LAK15 be held – will be revealed at conference dinner
- How we will bring vendors into the community? Multiple pathways for engaging via research; sponsorship. Open for further suggestions.
- Are we still actively soliciting university involvement? Yes there are opportunities for institutional membership – this is important for supporting the field. SoLAR has also provided assistance to address particular challenges and issues of interest for Government and institutions.

The president officially called the meeting to a close 12:54pm