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Eurographics UK Chapter

17th Annual General Meeting

University of Leeds, March 27, 1998

31 members were present for the AGM. Chairman: Rob Fletcher.

1. Apologies

Toby Howard, Neil Dodgson and Helen Morphet apologised for their absence.

2. Minutes of the last AGM

The minutes of the last AGM held at the University of East Anglia, Norwich on Tuesday 25th March 1997 (Computer Graphics Forum, 16(4), pp. 241, October 1997) were accepted as a true record (proposed by Anne Mumford, seconded by Huw Jones).

3. Matter arising from the last AGM

None.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman, Rob Fletcher, reported that this year's emphasis had been on reducing the running costs of the Chapter. To reduce committee expenses, we have endeavoured to do as much business as possible by email, the result has been a significant reduction in faceto-face meetings of the whole committee. In general we were looking towards smaller, focused working groups.

Last year's conference at the University of East Anglia made a significant loss. This year's conference was looking borderline on viability just a month before the event but is now expected to cover its costs.

Staying with the current year's conference, the Chairman thanked all those involved in putting the event together - Helen Morphet, Anne Mumford, Valerie Scadeng and, most especially, Ken Brodlie and his band of helpers at Leeds.

It was noted that this year we had made the refereeing of papers a stricter process. The procedure had, mostly, gone well but that we could do with extending our panel of referees in the area of modelling. We had retained the A4 format for this year's proceedings mainly because of the (significantly) reduced cost compared with the old A5 format.

The Chairman reported three resignations from the committee.

Chris Thornborrow left us in consequence of a change of employment, although Chris had only been on the committee a (relatively) short time, he had been a "Friend of EG UK" for some time before that and his mix of technical expertise and commercial contacts will be missed.

Ralph Raby has stood down due to increased demands on his time. Ralph will be remembered for his spread of interests and expertise, but mostly for his hosting the 1996 conference at Imperial College.

Roy Platon has also stood down, after a great many years on the committee, due to demands of, and shift of emphasis in, his job. Roy will be remembered for, among other things, his many years as coordinator of the chapter's Tutorial programme.

On the matter of the Tutorial programme, this is still in suspension but the committee is open to ideas and offers of topics and venues that would be likely to bring together 10 plus delegates.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Valerie Scadeng, reported:

Here is a summary of the income and expenditure for the year ended 30 June 1997. You will see an operating loss of £5310 for the year. This was due to the heavy cancellation charges imposed by UEA for accommodation and for the exhibition space that was not used at the event.

Income and Expenditure

Income: Expenditure:	13003 18313
Operating Loss:	(5310)
Bank Interest:	472
Loss on activities:	(4838)
Corporation Tax:	(110)
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Balance Sheet

Bank Balance 8319 We continue to monitor our expenses and we have benefited in a reduction in Audit and Accountancy fees of approximately £120. We have held more committee meetings "on-line" in an attempt to reduce these expenses also.

We have closely monitored the expenditure of the Leeds Conference and we expect to break even or make a small profit, my thanks to Ken for his efforts with this.

We have also been able to negotiate reduced payment terms with Cambridge in order to help our cash flow, and I will be working closely with Neil Dodgson on the budget of this conference.

The motion "that the accounts be accepted" was approved by the meeting (proposed Huw Jones, seconded Roy Middleton).

Full printed copies of the accounts (as submitted to Companies House) are available on request from the treasurer:

The Treasurer, Eurographics UK Chapter, PO Box 38, Abingdon, Oxon, OX14 1PX (email treasurer@eg-uk.co.uk).

6. Re-appointment of auditor

The motion that the current Auditor be retained for the coming year (proposed by Roy Middleton, seconded by Min Chen) was carried unanimously.

7. Elections

Rob Fletcher (proposed Roy Platon, seconded Huw Jones) and Valerie Scadeng (proposed Anne Mumford, seconded Andy Grant)) were due for re-election and were elected unopposed.

Resignations left two three-year posts and one one-year post vacant.

Andy Grant (proposed Terry Hewitt, seconded Min Chen) and Paul Hatton (proposed Roy Middleton, seconded Stuart Hoggar) were elected, unopposed, to the three-year posts. Jonathan Roberts (proposed Nigel John, seconded Ken Brodlie) was elected, unopposed, to the one-yearpost.

8. Any other business

The matter of the Lightweight Student membership scheme was raised. The Chapter has found it impractical to find the manpower that this scheme would demand.

Huw Jones thanked Rob for the backup he had given to the conference organisers, and Rob thanked Huw for his work as the conference chair.

David Duce informed the meeting that the information on how to access the electronic version of CGF would not be distributed until the electronic version was available.

Terry Hewitt invited the meeting to host (or suggest hosts for) the EG conference in 2000 or 2001.

It was suggested that the proposal from the University of York to host the 1999 EG conference was turned down due to lack of support from the Chapter. Dave Duke (Computer Science, York) commented that he had been in contact with the Chairman and they had held a number of meetings to discuss the Chapter involvement and support for the bid. In answer to a question from Anne Mumford, Terry Hewitt confirmed that the apparent "lack of support" was actually "a lack of financial support". David Duce commented that all EG conferences faced such problems and that proposals with financial underwriting are to be encouraged.

9. Date of the next AGM – Cambridge, 1999

The 18th AGM will be held in Cambridge during EGUK'99 (see http://info.ox.ac.uk/eg-uk/Camb99/).

Malcolm Austen(email secretary@eg-uk.co.uk) April 1998

These minutes, and other Chapter information, can be found on the World Wide Web using the URL http://info.ox.ac.uk/eg-uk/.

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Nineteenth Eurographics General Assembly

Lisbon, Portugal, September 3rd 1998

The Nineteenth General Assembly of the EUROGRAPHICS Association was held at Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, September 3rd 1998, at 17.30. The Chairman, W.T. Hewitt, welcomed the 60 members present and introduced the agenda. The Chairman noted that finance papers for the meeting had been made available to members in advance through the Association's web site: http://www.eg.org.

1. Minutes of the Eighteenth General Assembly

[Note added in preparing these minutes: The date of the Eighteenth Annual General Assembly was incorrectly recorded as August 6th. The meeting was actually held on September 6th.] Acceptance of the Minutes of the Eighteenth General Assembly, published in *Computer Graphics Forum*, Vol. 16, No. 5, pp. 331–337 (1997), was proposed by Professor Hopgood and seconded by Mr Ducrot. The minutes were approved *nem con*.

2. Matters Arising

At the previous General Assembly, a number of members had asked that papers for the meeting be made available in advance. The Chairman noted that finance papers had been made available to members in advance through the Association's web site: http://www.eg.org and paper copies had been available at the EUROGRAPHICS stand from the start of the conference.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an annual report of the activities of the Association. He reminded members that EUROGRAPHICS is an Association of professionals to help professionals in their careers in computer graphics and interactive digital media. The target audience of the Association is professionals who are active in research and development in academe, industry and commerce.

He thanked Joaquim Jorge and his team for putting together an excellent conference.

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3.1. Workshops

The Workshops Board supervises the workshops programme. There are currently 11 Working Groups in the Association. The Executive Committee hope that Working Groups can be more active between workshops, by email, web pages, etc.

Workshops were held during 1998 on Design Specification and Verification of Interactive Systems, Rendering, Visualization, Implicit Surfaces, Virtual Environments, Hardware (jointly with Siggraph), Parallel Graphics and Animation and Simulation. The draft workshop programme for 1999 currently includes visualization, virtual environments, rendering, DSV-IS, hardware and implicit surfaces.

3.2. Publications

The Publications Board has responsibility for the Association's journal, Computer Graphics Forum and for other types of publications. The Chairman noted that there had been a delay in producing issue 1 of the journal in 1998 which has had a knock-on effect for issue 2. The Chairman reassured members that issue 2 is now being printed. Electronic access to the journal has been introduced with effect from the 1998 volume. There has been a good take up of the electronic access options by the membership. There is much more that can, and will, be done to develop the electronic version of the journal. The Chairman asked members to send comments on what they like about the electronic version, what they dislike about it, and what additional functionality they would like to see introduced. Comments should be sent either to the Chairman (chairman@eg.org), Sabine Coquillart (cgf@inria.fr) or to any Executive Committee member.

The Publication's Board also look after other publications of the Association. Five Springer-Wien books are scheduled for publication in 1998, three of which have already appeared. The

EUROGRAPHICS Workshop Series is produced by the Association, four sets of proceedings have been produced so far this year. A new editor for this series has been appointed: François Sillion. The editors are now Werner Purgathofer, Werner Hansmann and François Sillion. The publications catalogue is available on-line at the Association's web site.

3.3. Operations Board

The Operations Board is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Association. The Operations Board are continuing to develop the EUROGRAPHICS web site, and some reorganization is being planned, necessitated by the increasing size and complexity of the site.

Membership on 1 July 1998 has fallen by 3% compared to 1 July 1997. This is a disappointment after the 8% increase last year and points to the need to continually expend effort in order to maintain and increase membership.

3.4. Professional Board

The main work of the Professional Board during the year has been concerned with renewal of liaison agreements with other societies. Revised procedures for the International Programme Committee for the annual conference have been agreed by the Executive Committee and the Publications Board have been asked to look at the wider applicability of these procedures, for example to the journal and workshop publications.

3.5. Promotions Board

The Board organized the EUROGRAPHICS stand at Siggraph '98 which was successful. The liaison between EUROGRAPHICS and Siggraph continues to develop well.

3.6. New Fellows of the Association

Twenty three Fellows have been elected since the first Fellows were elected in 1987. In view of this growth, it is felt that the Fellows need some more formal organizational structure. Accordingly, Professor F.R.A. Hopgood has been appointed Chairman of the Fellows and Professor J.L. Encarnação has been appointed Vice Chairman. Fellows give long term strategic advice to the Executive Committee.

A meeting of the Fellows was held during Eurographics '98, at which Judy Brown and Steve Cunningham were elected to Fellowships. Both hold a special relationship to EUROGRAPHICS. As EUROGRAPHICS members and as Siggraph Officers, they have worked tirelessly to build the relationship between EUROGRAPHICS and Siggraph and in recognition of this work they were elected.

3.7. The Future

The Chairman highlighted a number of factors that are important for the future of the Association.

- Need to increase membership.
- · Increase use of networking.
- Electronic services for members.
- · Increase volunteer effort.

Members were asked to take a number of actions to address these.

- All existing members should recruit at least one new member. Membership application forms are on the web site; other promotional materials are available from the secretary.
- All members were encouraged to register on the EUROGRAPHICS members email list (see http://www.eg.org/register). The Association wants to phase out postal mail as far as possible, and make electronic mail and the web site the main means of communication with the membership. The Chairman stressed that the members email list will *not* be made available to any third parties. Only the EUROGRAPHICS Officers can send email to this list.
- Encourage your colleagues to play an active role in the Association; please send offers of help to the Chairman: chairman@eg.org
- Keep a watch on the EUROGRAPHICS home page; lists of jobs for which volunteers are sought will be posted there.

Finally the Chairman stressed that the work of the Association is done by many people, to all of whom he expressed his thanks and appreciation.

4. Presentation of Accounts

The Treasurer, David Duce, presented the financial reports. The General Assembly was presented with audited accounts for the twelve month period 1 January to 31 December 1997 and interim accounts from 1 January to 30 June 1998. A budget for the calendar year 1999 was presented later in the meeting. Written reports from the Treasurer and the Auditor were distributed in advance of the meeting through the web site and on paper at the EUROGRAPHICS stand.

4.1. Internal Accounts

Table 1 reports income and expenditure on the membership account and compares this with the budget for the period, which was agreed by the General Assembly in August 1996. The actual membership income shown is the total amount received for 1997 subscriptions which includes 12,800 Sfr paid during 1996 and excludes 20,392 Sfr for 1998 membership renewal paid in 1997.

Income	Actual	Budget	Difference
Membership fees	87,681.71	74,400	13,282
Conf. surplus	39,894.62	45,000	-5,105
Royalties	6,203.41	12,000	-5,796
Bookshop	61,059.23	62,600	-1,541
Bank interest	4,757.57	5,400	-642
	199,596.55	199,400	198
Expenditure			
Executive Board	4,803.42	12,000	-7,196
Prof. Board	0.00	5,000	-5,000
Chapters	4,303.16	2,300	2,003
Workshop Board	0.00	5,000	-5,000
Ops – Secretary	39,635.10	45,000	-5,365
Ops – Treasurer	13,939.79	19,000	-5,060
Ops – Taxation	3,792.75	7,900	-4,107
Promotions Brd	6,161.66	10,000	-3,838
New activites –	0.00	5,000	-5,000
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and GVE	0.00	5,000	-5,000
Publicns Brd	64,611.12	46,800	17,811
Bookshop	47,452.65	51,200	-3,747
	184,699.65	214,200	-29,499
Surplus/Deficit	14,896.89	-14,800	29,695

Table 1: Internal Accounts 1997

Notes

- 1. The increase in income from membership fees over the budget reflects the increase in membership during 1997 and the pessimistic view on which the budget was based.
- 2. The conference surplus line includes a small net loss on EUROGRAPHICS '97 of 5,900 Sfr.
- 3. Savings were made on the secretary and treasurer budgets through increased use of email and changes in working practices resulting in savings in travel costs.
- 4. The overspend on the Publications Board budget resulted from exchange rate variations

between the pound and Swiss franc, which had a significant impact on the cost of *Computer* Graphics Forum.

Table 2 shows the state of the repayment conference accounts. This is money which the Association spends on behalf of conferences, and at the close of each event, is reimbursed in full to the Association. Expenditure has occurred in more than one financial period. The column labelled Cumulative gives the total income and expenditure under each heading. The column labelled 1997 gives expenditure and income between January and December 1997. Repayment of the loan to EUROGRAPHICS '97 was received during 1997.

	Cumulative	1997
EG96 Income EG96 Expenditure	1,062.78 1,055.00	1,062.78 1,055.00
Surplus/Deficit	7.78	1,062.78
EG97 Income EG97 Expenditure	17,104.67 17,104.67	17,104.67 16,000.00
Surplus/Deficit	0.00	1,104.67
EG98 Income EG98 Expenditure	0.00 17.50	0.00 17.50
Surplus/Deficit	-17.50	-17.50
Overall Surplus/Deficit	-9.72	2,167.45

Table 2: Repayment Accounts

4.2 Audited Accounts

The Auditor's Report is reproduced at the end of these minutes. The Profit and Loss Account for 1997 is shown in table 3 and the Balance Sheet in table 4.

In the audited accounts, the EG '96 account stands at 1,055 Sfr and the EG '97 account at 1,176.44

For information, table 5 summarises the capital and results reported in the audited accounts over recent years.

Professor Guedj asked how the Euro would impact the Association. Professor Duce explained that the Executive Board have started to look into this. It is clear that it will be possible to hold Euro accounts

	1997	1996
Income	Sfr.	Sfr.
Subscription	87,681.12	86,211.55
Repayment on book sales	60,880.86	73,167.40
Bank interest	1,138.13	1,204.39
Short term deposit interest	s 2,132.45	3,008.35
Conference surplus	39,894.62	0.00
Royalties et al.	6,211.19	16,200.19
Exchange diff.	183.67	0.00
	198,122.04	179,791.88
Expenditure		
Executive Board	4,804.26	5,268.02
Workshop Board	0.00	1,947.45
Chapters	5,063.16	1,260.00
Secretariat	39,685.10	42,097.02
Treasurer	13,908.51	14,287.54
Promotion Board	6,095.22	4,599.24
Bkshp. and Publn. Brd.	111,415.62	103,405.52
Professional Board	0.00	0.00
Conference loss	71.77	13,152.65
Exchange difference	0.00	0.00
_	181,044.64	186,017.44
Result		
(Loss) profit for period	17,077.40	(6,225.56)

Table 3: Profit and Loss Account (January 1 to 31 December 1997) (with comparative figures for 1996)

	1997	1996
Assets	Sfr.	Sfr.
Cash	45.94	3,738.44
Bank	205,552.07	175,380.77
Short term deposit	200,000.00	200,000.00
Federal withholding tax	1,130.15	1,460.95
Deposit	709.40	699.50
EG '96 account	0.00	1,055.00
EG '97 account	0.00	1,176.44
EG '98 account	17.50	0.00
	407,455.06	383,511.10
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	46,892.96	40,026.40
Fortune	,	343,484.70
	407,455.06	383,511.10

Table 4: Balance Sheet as at December 31st, 1997 (with comparative figures for 1996)

in Switzerland and the credit card companies will accept payments in Euros, making it possible for membership fees to be set in Euros. However, it is not yet clear how Euro accounts will be treated from the point of view of taxation, nor is it clear whether an Association registered in Switzerland will be able to submit formal accounts in Euros (for internal purposes, Euros can and will be used at the appropriate time). These matters are still under discussion between the Swiss authorities and the European Commission. The Swiss banks provide very helpful information and literature on the Euro, which is being monitored for developments.

Professor Purgathofer proposed that the audited accounts be approved, seconded by Professor Seidel. The motion was carried, nem con.

4.3. Forecast for 1998

Table 6 reports income and expenditure on the membership account for the period 1 January to 30 June 1998 and compares this with the budget for the 1998 financial year. This budget was approved by the General Assembly in September 1997. A forecast of expenditure to 31 December 1998 is given in the second column.

The end of year prediction involves a number of assumptions. The key unknown is the cost of the journal, which is very dependent on the exchange rate between the pound sterling and the Swiss franc. Currently the pound is significantly stronger against the Swiss franc than when the budget was prepared.

On the conference repayment accounts, the balance for EG'98 is currently -15,017.50, including an advance of 15,000 Sfr. Accounts prior to EG'98 are now closed.

Under the assumptions made, the prediction for the end of year situation is quite healthy.

5. Appointment of Auditors

Professor Fellner proposed that Antoine Richard SA be appointed auditors for the financial year commencing 1 January 1999. Professor Hopgood seconded. The motion was carried nem con.

6. Executive Committee Elections

6.1. Results of the 1998 Elections

The Chairman reported the results of the 1998 elections. 162 ballot forms were returned. There were regional vacancies in regions 4 and 6.

	1994	1995	1996	1997
Capital at year end	334,212.15	349,710.26	343,484.70	360,562.10
Surplus/(Loss)	(9,0451.21)	15,498.11	(6,225.56)	17,077.40

Table 5: Assets 1994 – 1997

Income	To June	Forecast	Budget	Difference
Membership fees	94,701.15	99,000	100,000	-1,000
Conference surplus	16,118.57	26,000	10,000	16,000
Royalties	6,015.64	6,000	6,000	0
Bookshop Interest/tax return	14,732.75	46,000	32,000	14,000
Deposit accounts	812.66	2,000	3,000	-1,000
	132,380.77	179,000	151,000	28,000
Less Expenditure				
Executive Board	5,591.13	9,000	6,000	3,000
Professional Board	0.00	1,000	1,000	0
Chapters	0.00	3,000	3,000	0
Workshop Board	0.00	2,000	5,000	-3,000
Central Secretariat	15,240.40	37,000	43,000	-6,000
Treasurer	1,065.12	14,000	12,000	2,000
Taxation	1,353.40	3,000	4,000	-1,000
Promotions Board	2,162.54	10,000	10,000	0
New Act. – Elect. Serv.	0.00	0	0	0
and GVE	0.00	2,000	2,000	0
Publications Board	582.50	46,000	44,000	2,000
Bookshop and proceedings	2,809.20	29,000	29,000	0
Contingency	0.00	0	5,000	-5,000
	28,804.29	156,000	164,000	-8,000
Surplus/Deficit	103,576.48	23,000	-13,000	36,000

Table 6: Forecast Income and Expenditure 1998

Candidate	Region	Votes	
Arnold	1	90	Elected
Coquillart	5	118	Elected
Daehlen	4	61	
Hansmann	2	67	
Hewitt	1	75	Elected
Mäntylä	4	79	Elected region 4
Müller	2	85	Elected
Scopigno	5	50	
Seidel	2	109	Elected
Skala	7	72	
Teixeira	6	76	Elected region 6
Vinacua	6	53	C

The Chairman congratulated those who had been elected and thanked those who were not elected for their support of the Association. Those elected commence their three year terms of office on 1st January 1999.

The composition of the Executive Committee for 1999 will be:

Until 31 December 1999. Bono (8), Encarnação (2), Fellner (2) ten Hagen (3), Rossignac (8), Vandoni (5), Willis (1).

Until 31 December 2000. Bergeron (8), Brunet (6), Duce (1), Herman (3), Post (3), Purgathofer (7), Sillion (5).

Until 31 December 2001. Arnold (1), Coquillart (5), Hewitt (1), Mäntylä (4), Müller (2), Seidel (2), Teixeira (6).

The numbers in brackets after each name indicate the region to which the member belongs. There will be one regional vacancy in region 8 in the 1999 elections. The composition of the electoral regions

- 1. United Kingdom, Ireland.
- 2. Germany.
- 3. Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein.
- 4. Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Iceland.
- 5. Italy, Switzerland, France, Monaco, Malta.
- 6. Spain, Portugal, Andorra.
- 7. Rest of Europe.
- 8. Rest of the World (non-European).

6.2. Appointment of Nominating Committee

The General Assembly appoints two members to a Nominating Committee whose function is to nominate candidates for the Executive Committee elections. The Executive Committee has appointed R.D. Bergeron and J.-C. Teixeira.

K.W. Brodlie and J.R. Gallop were elected to represent the General Assembly.

7. Budget and Forward Look

Dr Hansmann, Treasurer designate, presented the budget for 1999 and forward look until 2003, shown in table 7. Figures are K Sfr. He explained that the forward look beyond 2000 was provisional. It has been assumed that the membership profile and fee structure is flat over the period of the forward look. The budget assumes 560 individual members, currently the membership is around 520. It is assumed that 35% of members will take the electronic access only option for the journal, 50% paper only and 15% the combined option of paper and electronic access. These percentages represent the current uptake of the three options. Budgets are essentially flat over the period, though operations and publications costs rise, primarily due to inflation which is estimated at 5%.

Professor Grimsdale asked if the introduction of electronic access to Computer Graphics Forum would lead to the phasing out of paper. He was concerned that this should not happen. Professor Duce explained that there were no plans to phase out paper and that electronic access was seen as

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Table 7: Budget for 1999 and Forward Look

added value. Professor Bergeron asked why the paper and electronic access option is more expensive than paper only. Professor Duce explained that the baseline had been set in a certain way last year; electronic access was seen as a plus and minus to the previous baseline of paper only. He noted that it was stated at the General Assembly in 1997 that the options would be reviewed after one year of operation; this would be done and comments were welcomed. Professor Cunningham noted that the journal should be seen in terms of the service provided to members. He also noted that librarians in general are very keen to store less paper and in the U.S.A. at least librarians may be ahead of individuals in this respect. The Chairman said that the Association was treading carefully in this area and would be keeping a close eye on developments and reviewing the reactions of members.

Professor Hopgood asked how it could be that the income from interest was maintained throughout the forward look despite the loss of almost 200K

capital through the predicted deficits on each year. Professor Duce explained that interest rates in Switzerland are very low, currently less than 1% and hence there is little impact on investment income. However he went on to say that the figures in the latter part of the forward look were very provisional indeed and clearly something will have to be done to reverse the declining fortune of the Association under this set of assumptions.

Acceptance of the budget for 1999 as presented was proposed by Professor Encarnação and seconded by Professor Post. The proposal was carried nem con.

8. Executive Board 1999

The Chairman announced the composition of the Executive Board for 1999.

Chairman	D. Fellner
Vice-Chairs	F. Post
	P. Brunet
Secretary	C.E. Vandoni
Treasurer	W. Hansmann
Asst. Treasurer	W. Felger
Executive Board	D. Fellner
Operations Board	C.E. Vandoni
Workshops Board	H. Müller
Publication Board	W. Purgathofer
Promotions Board	D.B. Arnold
Professional Board	P.J. Willis
Strategic issues	D.A. Duce

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held during EUROGRAPHICS '99 in Milan, Italy on Friday 10th September 1999. Note that the conference next year takes place from Tuesday to Saturday.

10. Any Other Business

- 1. The Chairman noted that the Association uses a number of computers. He has asked that Year 2000 compliance be checked and has been reassured that no problems are anticipated.
- 2. Professor Brown noted that EUROGRAPHICS will be celebrating a 20th anniversary in 1999 and Siggraph will be celebrating a 30th. She asked that members consider how these anniversaries might be celebrated together and asked that ideas be sent to her (judybrown@siggraph.org).
- 3. Professor Duce noted that Terry Hewitt will be retiring as Chairman on 30th December 1998 after 3 years service in this role. On behalf of the membership he thanked Terry for his Chairmanship of the Association and made a small presentation to him.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 18.50.