

Meeting Minutes

Cross Party Group on Germany
Annual General Meeting
5.30pm, Wednesday 20th November 2019
Committee Room 6

Attendees - Annette Gotzkes, Manuela Calchini, Mia Del Rio, Colin Beattie MSP, Maureen Watt MSP, Cameron Buchanan, John Clifford, Gordon Lindhurst MSP, Sigrid Rieuwerts, Barbara Quick - German Consul General.

Apologies – Barbara Strickland, Louise Cameron, Stefan Buettner, James Trolland, Elaine Smith MSP, Eleoma Bodammer, Joan McAlpine MSP

1. Colin welcomed the group to the AGM.

2. The Group approved the minutes from the September meeting. The minutes were proposed by Colin Beattie and seconded by Maureen Watt

3. The Group approved the previous year's minutes.

Maureen Watt took the chair and requested nominations for conveners.

Nomination for Convener – Annette Gotzkes nominated Colin Beattie MSP, seconded by John Clifford.

Vote unanimous, Convener: Colin Beattie MSP

Nominations for Vice Conveners – Colin Beattie MSP nominated Elaine Smith MSP and German Consul General Barbara Quick. Seconded by Gordon Lindhurst and Manuela Calchini.

Vote unanimous, Vice Convener: Elaine Smith MSP
Vice Convener: German Consul General Barbara Quick.

Louise Cameron will act as Secretary. Nominated by Colin Beattie MSP and seconded by Manuela Calchini.

4. To commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Fall of the Berlin Wall the CPG held a discussion with external guests, within the framework of a book launch and a reception. The book title was 'Popular Support for Democracy in Unified Germany'.