**CND Conference Arlington Centre**

**October 15th 2017**

These minutes were taken by Katy West and should be read in conjunction with the Conference booklet

Chair welcome conference and opened the AGM

1. Resolution: Ratify Company Members PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Steering Committee Report

* Two emergency resolutions voted in order and one voted out
* Feedback from previous years asked delegates to introduce themselves clearly when speaking, keep to time and use the microphones
1. Resolution: Endorsed by ballot PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Resolution: 15 Council members chosen by ballot PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
3. Resolution: Council members nominated by groups are elected PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
* Green CND representative Amelia Womack

Campaigns Presentation

* NHS Not Trident one of CND’s most successful campaigns
* Highlighted nuclear issues during 2017 General Election
* Noticeably rise in support for lobbying UK government has been
* Nobel Peace Prize awarded to ICAN of which CND is a part
* Peace delegation sent to US embassy asking for a de-escalation of tension between the US and North Korea
* Delegates encouraged to take and order materials

Questions and discussions

* Let’s all celebrate the 10th December (parties encouraged)
* News about various action carried out by SCND at the Scottish Parliament
* Point of order regarding the lack of space for groups to be able feedback on activity over the previous year. CAWG to consider how to address this going forwards.
1. Resolution: Annual report accepted PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Resolution: All involved in the campaign thanks and congratulated PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Treasurers Report

* Question regarding the future of Holloway Road office and the expected rent. LH explained that we have 13 years left on our lease, the new owners wanted to pay us to move. The deal with the owners is still being negotiated but our very low levels of rent are an issue from them.
* LH listed the trusts we have received grants from The Wainwright Trust, Network for Social Change, Polden Puckham Charitable Trust.
* LH advised that there is a pack for groups in which there is fundraising advice
1. Resolution: The accounts are accepted PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Resolution: All those involved in working on the accounts are thanked PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Auditors

1. Resolution: The accountant is appointed PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Bruce Kent delivered the Fundraising Appeal ~£450 raised

CND Policy Debates

1. Decision on Adopting Composite 1 incorporating amendments AGREED BY MOVERS
2. Resolutions 1 and 2: Campaigning on the Global Ban Treaty PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
3. Resolution 3: Pamphlet on the Global Ban UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO REFER TO CND NATIONAL OFFICE
* Motion agreed in principle but referred to National CND to work out the practical detail
1. Resolution 4: Don’t Bank on the Bomb PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 5: Parliamentary candidates and Trident

1. Standing Order 22a (resolution to be taken in parts) PASSED MAJORITY

Amendments

1. At the end of 2a…PASSED MAJORITY
2. Replace 2b… PASSED MAJORITY
3. Resolution 5 PASSED WITH AMENDMENTS

 FOR: 27

 AGAINST: 13

 ABSTENTIONS: 17

Emergency Resolutions:

1. 1: No to war on the Korean peninsula; ‘freeze for freeze; return to talks PASSED MAJORITY
2. 2: Action at US and North Korean Embassies

Emergency Resolution 2 FELL

FOR: 23

AGAINST: 39

ABSTENTIONS: 8

1. Resolution 6: Military bases PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Resolution 7: Action at bases PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
3. Resolution 8: Common security: shifting the security paradigm PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 9: Building international opposition to NATO

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2. Resolution 9 PASSED MAJORITY