35 general members, Council members and Committee members were present.

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Mannheim 2015)**

   REPORTED

   that the minutes of the last meeting be approved

2. **REPORTS ON THE ASSOCIATION’S PAST ACTIVITIES**

   a) **Report of the President**

   RECEIVED

   *Report of the President* Rachel Griffith

   REPORTED

   i) that Guglielmo Weber would be stepping down at the end of 2015 and would be replaced by Antonio Cabrales

   ii) that JEEA had undergone a meteoric rise and continued to excel in terms of its impact factor, profile and the number of submissions received

   iii) that Nicola Gennaioli had stepped down as JEEA co-editor and had been replaced by Paola Giuliano, and that Imran Rasul had accepted to sit on editorial board from April 2016 as a 5th editorial board member

   iv) that the third WinE Retreat had taken place just before the start of EEA Mannheim 2015 and that it continued to be a success

   v) that Raffaella Giacomini was stepping down as Chair of the Women in Economics Committee at the end of the year and she would be replaced by Emmauelle Auriol

   vi) that the Education Committee had held their second panel session, “Academia to Public Policy: What Should we Teach our Students?” during EEA Mannheim 2015 and it had been very well-attended and well-received

   vii) that Richard Blundell had replaced Marc Ivaldi as Chair of the EEA Research in Economics Committee, and that Richard also represented the EEA on the COEURE project (a network financed by European Commission under the 7th Framework Programme)

   viii) that the EEA Ethics Committee, chaired by Orazio Attanasio, and whose remit was to survey existing procedures in different European countries and to produce guidelines about the conduct of economic research that could be eventually approved by the Association, was making progress
ix) that as one of the objectives of the EEA was to raise the profile of economists and to provide a bridge between the economics profession in Europe and the wider public, the EEA had engaged the services of a media consultant who was working alongside academics at Mannheim 2015 helping those who wanted to communicate their research to a wider audience to do so more effectively through the media and other outlets.

x) that a production team was also onsite at the Congress making a number of short films on the findings and implications of some of the research being presented, and that the films would be made available via the EEA YouTube channel.

xi) that Eliana La Ferrara had given the 2015 JEEA-FBBVA lecture at the ASSA meetings in Boston in January and at the FBBVA headquarters in Madrid in May.

xii) that Hélène Rey had accepted the invitation to give the 2016 JEEA-FBBVA lecture, which would be held in San Francisco during the ASSA meetings in January.

xiii) that Botond Kőszegi had been awarded the Yrjö Jahnsson prize and had been presented with his award before the Schumpeter lecture at the Congress.

xiv) that the seventh FEEM awards had been presented to Keshav Dogra (Columbia University), Anne-Kartin Roesler, (University of Bonn) and Jörg L. Spenkuch, (Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University).

xv) that the 2016 officer elections would commence in September and that the EEA members could now nominate suitable candidates (or self-nominate) for EEA officer elections.

RESOLVED

that the report of the President be approved.

b) Report of the Executive Vice-President

Guglielmo Weber

RECEIVED

Report of the Executive Vice-President

REPORTED

i) that Tim Besley had chaired the Nominating Committee for 2015 and the online voting would commence in September.

ii) that the official site of the EEA remained www.eeassoc.org and that there were 3 different email addresses used by members when contacting the EEA.

iii) that the latest figures available suggested that membership now stood at 3560 (with 17 Institutional members having paid for 2015).

iv) that the EEA had made a surplus of €118,058.11 in 2014, which included the Toulouse joint congress proceeds, as well as the expenses and income involved in Wiley-Blackwell JEEA production, and institutional member donations.

v) that the EEA Audit committee had viewed the accounts and that in their opinion the financial statements presented fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the EEA as of December 31 2014.

vi) that the detailed accounts of the EEA were available upon request.

vii) that the incoming EEA Executive Vice-President, Antonio Cabrales, would continue to look for more ways in which it can play more of an important part in the European policy debate and interact more closely with its members, and the the EEA would also increase its efforts to disseminate research published in JEEA as well research presented at its annual congress.

RESOLVED

that the report of the Executive Vice President and the EEA 2014 accounts be approved.

c) Report of the Editor of JEEA

Juuso Välimäki

RECEIVED

Report of the Editor of JEEA
REPORTED

i) that the 2014 editorial board was made up of Dirk Bergemann, Nicola Gennaioli, Claudio Michelacci, Daniele Paserman and Fabrizio Zilibotti

ii) that Dirk Bergemann and Fabrizio Zilibotti’s terms had ended at the end of 2014 and they had been replaced by Nicola Gennaioli, Dirk Krueger and Juuso Välimäki

iii) that 780 papers were submitted in 2014, another historical high for the journal, with 765 final decisions being made (47 papers accepted)

iv) that the average decision time for new submissions was 44 days

v) that the 2-year impact factor 2014 (Thomson Reuters) for JEEA was 3.333, and JEEA ranked top 7 after QJE, ReStud, Ectca, AEJ: Macro, AER and JPE (JEEA is top-9 if finance journals are also considered)

RESOLVED

that the report of the Editor of JEEA be approved

3. Open Discussion about the Association’s Activities

None

4. Any Other Business

None

5. Next Meeting

Wednesday August 24, 2016, Geneva

Rachel Griffith
EEA President, 2015

Guglielmo Weber
EEA Executive Vice-President