

WELSH SOCIETY OF HULL & EAST YORKSHIRE

Notes of the Committee Meeting held on 14 April 2015

- 1 Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 16 January** - were approved. Following the St David's Day Dinner at Rowley Manor this year there had been some concerns about the quality of the meal and service received. Jo had written to Rowley Manor expressing these concerns but had not received any response. The Committee took the view that, in spite of the excellent ambience at Rowley, it would be better to look elsewhere for the Christmas Dinner 2015 and St David's Day Dinner 2016.
- 2 Annual General Meeting 8 May 2015**
 - 2.1 The agenda was considered and approved. It was agreed that, with the exception of the Treasurer's Report, Officers' Reports would be distributed with the agenda papers in advance of the meeting for members to read. Then, in the AGM they could be "taken as read" in order to save time.
 - 2.2 The following documents which had been circulated by John were approved for submission to the AGM:
 - a) Actual Income & Expenditure 2014/15 compared to the Budget
 - b) Treasurer's Report to the Annual General Meeting
 - 2.3 John's suggested membership fee of £15 for 2015/16 was agreed for submission to the AGM but the Committee felt it should be reviewed next year.
 - 2.4 It was decided that, when sending out information to members in August about membership in 2015/16, John and Marian would include a note asking those who had not paid their last year's subscriptions whether they wish to continue to be involved with the Society.
 - 2.5 A discussion was held about those people on the mailing list who have previously expressed an interest in the Society. It was noted that John and Marian send them information about the Society in the hope that they will join and become active members. It was agreed that John and Marian would contact them and ask whether they wish to continue to be involved with the Society.
 - 2.6 It was agreed that the St David's Day Dinner ticket prices would be reviewed when arranging the 2016 event.
 - 2.7 Traditionally the outgoing Chairman becomes the President for the ensuing two years. However, it was noted with sadness that Jo was leaving the area in July and would not be able to take up the post. It was agreed that a member would be approached to see whether he would accept it.

- 2.8 In the absence of a Vice Chairman who would normally become Chairman for the forthcoming year, it was agreed that a member would be approached to see whether she would be willing to take the post of Chairman and that nominations would be invited from members to take on the Vice Chairman's post.
- 2.9 John and Marian agreed to continue as Treasurer and Secretary respectively next year. Marian expressed her appreciation for the support received from Anne in acting as unofficial speaker secretary.
- 2.10 It was noted that Gwyn had indicated a willingness to be a Committee Member and it was agreed that he be nominated together with Nesta, Nev, Roger and Alwyn. It was also suggested that another individual be approached to see whether she might be willing to join the Committee.
- 2.11 The Committee appreciated the assistance provided by Eddie and Doreen in auditing the Accounts over many years and it was agreed that they be asked to do it again in 2015/16.

3 Programme

- 3.1 St David's Day Service - The Society had been warmly welcomed again at Walkington Methodist Church. The Service had been excellent and our grateful thanks had been expressed to the Minister.
- 3.2 Summer Outing - It was agreed to ask members at the next meeting whether they would like to have Croquet on the Lawn with Afternoon Tea at Rowley Manor again this year.
- 3.3 Hay-on-Wye Literature Festival - Following last year's successful trip to the International Eisteddfod at Llangollen a suggestion had been made for a trip to the Hay-on-Wye Literature Festival. It was decided that the Society would not organise this.
- 3.4 Cor Y Penrhyn - Are giving a joint concert in Llandudno on 20 June and it was agreed to ask members at the next meeting whether an excursion to the concert should be organised.
- 3.5 Suggestions for 2015/16 –
 - a) Dave Thomas - Painting and Song
 - b) Graham Saunders - The Welsh Are a Musical Nation – Or Are They? Part II
 - c) Welsh Cheese & Wine Evening
 - d) Film Night – Pride; Off to Philadelphia in the Morning; Patagonia; Hedd Wyn
 - e) Christmas Dinner 2015 - Jo to approach Ferguson Fawcitt.
 - f) St David's Day Dinner 2016 - Jo to approach Ferguson Fawcitt.

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