

WELSH SOCIETY OF HULL & EAST YORKSHIRE
Notes of the Annual General Meeting held on 8 May 2015

- 1 **Present** – 17 members and 9 apologies for absence
- 2 **Minutes of meeting held on 16 May 2014** – which had been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved as a true record and there were no matters arising.
- 3 **President's Report** - which had been circulated prior to the meeting, was approved.
- 4 **Chairman's Report** - which had been circulated prior to the meeting, was approved.
- 5 **Treasurer's Report and Accounts** -
 - 5.1 The Treasurer's Report and Final Accounts 2014/15 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were approved unanimously. The members present complimented the Treasurer on his proficient handling of the Society's financial matters year after year.
 - 5.2 The Budget for 2015/16 had been previously circulated and was approved unanimously.
 - 5.3 It was agreed that the subscription for 2015/16 be maintained at £15 per member.
- 6 **Secretary's Report**
 - 6.1 The Secretary's Report had been circulated before the meeting and this was approved. The members present thanked Marian for her work on behalf of the Society again this year.
- 7 **Election and Installation of President**
 - 7.1 The Chairman thanked Nesta for her hard work during her term of office which was coming to an end. Roger was unanimously elected and installed as President for 2015-17.
- 8 **Election and Installation of Chairman**
 - 8.1 The Chairman reported that Nev had been nominated. As there were no other nominations for this post Nev was unanimously elected and installed as Chairman for 2015-16.
- 9 **Election of Other Officers**
 - 9.1 Vice-Chairman
The Chairman reported that no nominations/volunteers had been received. The post would therefore remain vacant and it was hoped that this post would be filled as soon as possible. Members were urged to consider getting involved by taking on this post. Anyone interested in doing so, please contact a member of the Committee.
 - 9.2 Treasurer
John had agreed to continue as Treasurer for another year which was unanimously approved. John had also agreed to continue being webmaster for the Society's website.

9.3 Secretary
Marian agreed to continue as Secretary for the coming year which was unanimously approved.

10 Election of Other Committee Members

10.1 Nesta, Alwyn, Gwyn and Merle all agreed to serve for 2015/16 and were unanimously approved.

10.2 There was still one vacancy and any other member who would like to join the Committee was invited to contact Nev.

10.3 The outgoing Chairman, Jo, thanked all the Officers and Committee Members in 2014/15 for their hard work during the year.

11 Appointment of Auditors

11.1 Thanks were expressed to Doreen and Eddie for auditing the accounts again this year. They kindly agreed to continue for 2015/16 and were duly appointed.

12 Programme of Events 2015/16

12.1 Suggestions were invited for consideration and the following ideas were put forward -

- Welsh Rugby Coach, Gary Pearce
- Marathon des Sables (Di's daughter had recently completed this)
- Film Evening in January – Hedd Wyn, Patagonia, Pride, Off To Philadelphia in the Morning, The Man Who Went Up a Hill and Came Down a Mountain
- Musical Evening
- The Welsh Are a Musical Nation – Or Are They (Part 2)
- Noson Lawen
- Trip to East Riding Theatre
- Hands On Painting
- Games Evening – Mah Jong/Beetle Drive
- Antiques Evening
- Welsh Language Evening – History of the Welsh Language/Welsh for non-Welsh Speakers
- Quiz

12.2 These, along with others, would be considered by the Committee when planning next year's programme.

12.3 Diary Dates -

- Summer Outing – Croquet & Afternoon Tea, Wednesday, 1 July 2015 at Rowley Manor – details to be announced.
- Christmas Dinner – 1st or 2nd week of December at Fergusson Fawsitt
- St David's Day Dinner – Friday 26 or Saturday 27 February 2016 at Fergusson Fawsitt

12.4 It was agreed that meetings should continue to start at 7.30 pm, instead of 8 pm for the foreseeable future.

13 Any Other Business

13.1 Cor Y Penrhyn & Black Dyke Mills Band Concert in Llandudno, 20 June 2015
Insufficient people had indicated an interest in attending this concert to justify organising a coach. Marian was to email members reminding them about it.

13.2 Choir Concert 2017
Nesta thanked John for keeping the Committee informed about the latest situation regarding Hull, City of Culture, 2017.

13.3 Thanks to Jo
The new President, Roger, announced that Jo (the immediate past Chairman) was leaving the area in July due to circumstances beyond her control. He said that, in the comparatively short time that Jo had been a member she had done a great deal for the Society and she would be sorely missed. On behalf of the Society, Roger wished Jo and her family well in the future and hoped that she would keep in touch. Roger then presented Jo with a painting entitled "Crossing The Humber – Past & Present" (showing the Lincoln Castle and the Humber Bridge) as a token of the Society's appreciation and as a souvenir of her time here.

The meeting closed and was followed by an amusing and enjoyable evening of reminiscences on the theme of My Mother's Medical Remedies.

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