

**THE WELSH PONY AND COB SOCIETY**  
**CYMDEITHAS Y MERLOD A'R COBIAU CYMREIG**

**Summary of the Minutes of the Council meeting held at 11:30am on  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 at Bronaeron, Felinfach, Lampeter,  
SA48 8AG**

**Present:** Colin Thomas (Chair), Wyn Jones (Vice Chair), Daniel Morgan, Gwyn Jones, Dilwyn Roberts, Barry Hall, Sharon Charlton, Elgan Evans, Daydre Chambers, Roger Davies and Geraint Davies, John Welsh Elizabeth Hampson, C R Davies (President-Elect),

**Apologies:** Brian Foster (President),

**In Attendance:** Jessica wood (Resourcing assistant)

**Minute Taker:** Jessica wood (Resourcing assistant)

**Welcome and Apologies**

Confidential matters

*Trustee was asked to leave the room*

*Confidential Minute*

**Education and Welfare**

Chair of E & W drew attention to the Welfare seminar planned for the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020. The room will cost £200. Permission was requested for GB-Burr to carry on with the organisation of the event. Permission was sought to set up the DNA Working group. Names were put forward.

**Proposal to proceed with the DNA Group.**

**Proposed and seconded. All in favour**

A discussion followed regarding the start-times of the sub committees requesting that if the morning meeting finished early then the second meeting could convene rather than have to wait until an appointed time.

It was discussed that the same trustees should be on the committees for Education and Welfare along with Member's Services. The same trustees for Judging and Showing and Promotions, so the meetings could follow on.

**Finance and HR**

Chair of F&HR gave an update on the finance/auditors meeting; the auditors are prepared to put some of the money inherited into the profit and loss account which could show a small profit on the accounts. It was positive meeting with the Auditors.

The J1 account was still a concern with members over-paying on account resulting in the Society holding high levels of funds which are unattributed. This is a recurring problem.

It was suggested to put on the website the costs of the AGM before the AGM in 2020 for members to see. This would reflect the costs incurred during 2019.

The Chair noted that the auditors had suggested a potential rise in cost of membership.

It was agreed to review other breed society costs on the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
And compare their charges for DNA / Registrations / Membership  
Some discussion ensued regarding the DNA Stickers.

One particular pony's registration applied for status was discussed – it was agreed to see if the sire's DNA could be located as he was blood typed too long ago to extract DNA from. The stallion however was collected from for semen export to the USA and therefore he was DNA Profiled.

We can refund the registration fee of £130.00 if the late registration cannot be completed due to the maiden mare.  
If the Sire's DNA cannot be found the pony will not be eligible for registration.

### **Hill Pony DNA**

The lists of all animals tested has been located, however the list is quite long, this will be checked to see which animals we have DNA results for. The ones we don't will be highlighted and sent to Aberystwyth University to ask them to check for the missing DNA profiles.

**With no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 1:00 pm.**

**ENDS**