

**Summary of the Non Confidential Minutes of the Council meeting held
on Monday 2nd September 2019 at Bronaeron, Felinfach, Lampeter,
SA48 8AG**

Present: Colin Thomas (Chair), Wyn Jones (Vice Chair), Daniel Morgan, Gwyn Jones, Dilwyn Roberts, John Welsh, Barry Hall, Deborah Jones, Sharon Charlton, Elgan Evans, Daydre Chambers, Roger Davies and Elizabeth Hampson.

Apologies: Brian Foster (President), Geraint Davies

In Attendance: C R Davies (President-Elect), Gemma Bassett-Burr (Deputy Company Secretary)

Minute Taker: Gemma Bassett-Burr (Deputy Company Secretary)

Welcome and Apologies

Declarations and Items for Any Other Business

- There were no declarations.
- Stallion Licenses were discussed by the Interim Company secretary.
- Height of section C's

Confidential minutes of the Council meeting held on Friday 19th July 2019

Page 1 – Trustees and President Elect sent apologies

Matters Arising – An investigation was discussed and the need for the procedure of an investigation to be included in a future agenda to look at the procedure to go with the policy. It was also suggested that we looked at other company documents.

Proposed and seconded, all in favour.

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 05th August 2019

Page 1 – The increase in the ages for the Young people was suggested by the Young people.

Page 3 – Young judges to increase with an additional class for 22 to 25.

Matters arising – Area Associations to be contacted to suggest a date for the meeting at Bronaeron and to combine with the Open day. See what suggestions come forward from the Area Association meeting or if they would consider 10th November 2019.

Confidential minutes of Council meeting held on Monday 05th August 2019

Correction – none

Matters Arising – a confidential case was discussed and that it was dealt with correctly and will remain as it is. The rule book cannot be altered; a panel was appointed to investigate. Moving forward we can discuss this but we cannot take steps backwards.

Agreed that any request is to be passed to the Society solicitor. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.

Finance and HR Confidential Minutes

Correction – none

Confidential minute raised

Chair/ Vice Chair Report

Chairman confidential matters - All information was provided on each case and the solicitors advised accordingly. It was established that the process needs to be looked at going forward. It was discussed at the meeting for an Independent Review and legal advice should be sought on this. It was also discussed that the solicitor would be required to attend the General meeting on the 18th September 2019. DNA was discussed and the information needs to be given to members, so that they know what was discussed, at the General meeting, and the options available to all members.

Confidential minute raised

Company Secretary Report

The new Company Secretary is starting with the society on 7th October 2019.

General meeting 31st August De-brief

Chair of Council asked if there were any concerns following the meeting.

The acoustics in the room were not satisfactory and the Interim Deputy Company secretary explained that this had been addressed and a hearing loop and sound return speakers were being made available for the next meeting which should hopefully improve this.

President elect discussed that Council need to be seen to be doing something.

Judges Conference was discussed and how it would run pending the outcome of the meeting on 18th September. The Interim Company secretary confirmed that the office would run the day if required.

It was discussed whether the Judges panel was being made accessible for everyone. If producers are removed this limits applicants. They have a good knowledge of confirmation and would be unable to go onto the panel. This was voted on 5 in favour 4 against. Producers to remain as Judges.

It was discussed if A/B and C/D are to be combined if on one panel already could that judge go straight to the assessment for the other section?

Can Australia please send travel arrangements etc. to the nominated judges.

The Gelding show at the Cob Sales. The Society are to source the rosettes and Council trustees to contribute £10 each to sponsorship.

HOYS to be formally written to regarding the Society being represented at HOYS next year.

Judging and Showing - To be a judge you have to have owned, bred or produced 5 animals and been a member for 10 years along with having undertaken 2 probationary judging experiences.

Asterisk – 5 bronze medal shows after being on the panel 5 years before applying for silver.

Trading standards to be contacted regarding transfers to be invited to attend Education & welfare to obtain further guidance on transfers.

A Trustee has had an offer of a bursary for the additional Young judges category 22-25 years from a sponsor (details to be confirmed)

Journal timelines to be confirmed and meetings to be booked to discuss the tenders.

Young judges organiser to be written to confirm changes for Young judges competition

It was discussed have a focus on ridden and driving classes for next season along with trying to attend 3 shows in Wales and 3 shows outside Wales.

Trustee disclosed that she is happy to take the lorry to Germany if she is able to travel via the tunnel.

Agenda item 9 - 11 To be referred to another meeting

Correspondence – from the Secretary (Australia)

Young Ambassador will be taking the Society medals to Australia as well as representing the society during her time there.

Enrolment of new members July – August 19

Confidential matter discussed.

Confidential - Stallion License

Interim Company secretary - gave a breakdown on the current situation that 3 sires had been tested by the Animal Health Trust and all come back excluded. There are no other possible sires and one has now passed away. Council decision was to recall the passport and re-register the pony as a part bred. If ponies are blood typed hair should be taken before a license is issued. **Proposed and seconded, all in favour.**

Height of section C

Is there anything we can do to remind people that they should be 13.2 and under or is this the shows responsibility on the day. This is to be monitored by the shows and to be included within the Judging & showing handbook when reviewed.

With no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 5.05pm.

