



**SUMMARY MINUTES**  
**WPCS COUNCIL MEETING 14<sup>th</sup> of**  
**JUNE 2022 9.30AM**  
**Held at the Society Office.**

Present: Daniel Morgan (Chair), Sharon Charlton (Vice-Chair), Tania Baldwin, Cemaes Evans, David Davies, Steve Everitt, Ed Gummery, Debbie Jones, Wyn Jones, Dilwyn Roberts, Lottie Stephens, Dennis Price (President).

In attendance: Meirion Davies (Company Secretary), Gemma Bassett Burr (Office Manager)

Apologies: Angela Kember, Liz Hampson, Martin Waters, Rosie Wilson.

A revised agenda to include the ratification of extra minutes was agreed

The Chairman welcomed Trustees to the meeting and in particular the new trustees and the new President. He also passed on the sad news that the Lee family from Kent had lost 6 of their horses in a fire. A condolence card had been sent to the family from the Office.

AOB – Travelling expenses for Judges was raised.

Declarations – AK had informed the Society that she was now a special steward for the NPS.

The minutes and the confidential minutes of the meeting of 12th May 2022 were agreed and ratified as were the minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2022 at the Society Pavilion on the Royal Welsh Showground prior to the AGM.

A meeting has been arranged with Hannah Atkinson, the Young Ambassador and the President's collection buckets for Ukraine deployed at the AGM would also be at the Royal Welsh.

The fallen trees high on the bank behind the office have been removed at no cost to the Society.

Details of the members of all the various committees are now on the website, and Companies House and the Charity Commission website listings have been updated following the change of trustees post the AGM election result.

It was agreed that Life membership and clear criteria for Society awards should be future agenda items. The televised interview with David Davies in connection with the Queen's platinum jubilee celebration had been very well received during peak viewing on ITV. It was noted that the Society was one of only two charities featured during the program from amongst all the charities who enjoy Her majesty's patronage.

The Company Secretary reported that whilst the office was checking the Royal Welsh entries, they had found that in excess of 250 of the entries were not in the correct ownership and had not yet been transferred from their previous owners. It was pointed out that it is an offence, punishable by a fine of up to £5000, not to record a transfer of ownership of an equine within 30 days of purchase. The Society has been working closely with the Show team to ensure that all entries would be eligible for the coveted Gold medal awards to avoid disappointment. It was also raised that the Society produced a duplicate book for vendors to record sales signed by both vendor and purchaser. (This book was subsequently promoted online).

Discussion took place regarding security arrangements for the Society pavilion for the show period and it was agreed that members and one guest could be admitted.

The Company Secretary reported that he had spoken to one of the Colleges research specialists at the Royal Veterinary College on the subject of PSSM 1 & 2 who confirmed it had been detected in Welsh Cobs

although the test currently available has not been peer reviewed or verified. He will be addressing a BEVA conference in September on this subject and the Society has requested that he produces a definitive statement on the current incidence and effects of the disease/syndrome with particular reference to the Welsh breeds.

The question of judges' travelling expenses in the light of the current fuel costs were discussed and it was agreed that the recommended figure for judges should be increased to 40p per mile.

The Office Manager reported on two recent silver medal shows where some section champions were not entered in the catalogue. Council resolved to inform the owners/exhibitors that in this case the medals would not be awarded in accordance with Society rules.

It was agreed that due to their value and their occasionally damaged return, from now on Society Trophies would be remain at the Office, on display. They would be made available to winners both at the awards night and at the office for photographs.

A number of new prefixes and extensions to prefixes were approved. 101 additional members were enrolled 40 of which had not previously been members.

Confidential items were also discussed.

AOB - DR raised what he believed was a breach of confidentiality in regard to the result of a disciplinary matter. The Company Secretary assured him that this particular matter was still ongoing and any comments or result he had heard was purely rumour and conjecture.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.35pm.