

**GLAMORGAN HISTORY SOCIETY**  
**CYMDEITHAS HANES MORGANNWG**  
**Registered Charity Number 511498**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Society held at Glamorgan Archives on 11 May 2019 at 2.00 p.m.**

**24 members attended whose names are recorded on the attendance sheet.**

**1. Chairman's address**

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting. He thanked them for their loyalty to the Society but reminded them of the continuing need to recruit further members. Nevertheless the Society had enjoyed a successful and healthy year and he noted in particular the publication of volume 62 of *Morgannwg* which he described as 'magnificent'. He concluded by expressing his pleasure at the presence of the Society's President, Professor Gwynedd Pierce.

**2. Apologies for absence**

Elaine Davey, Neville Granville, Pat Jones-Jenkins, Dr Katrina Legg, Revd Dr John Morgan-Guy, Annie Owen, Revd Ifor Rees, Dr Lisa Tallis, Nigel Williams.

**3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12 May 2018**

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

**4. Matters arising**

None.

**5. Secretary's report**

The Hon. Secretary reported that Council had held its customary two meetings during the previous 12 months. The Society's data protection policy, as required by the General Data Protection Regulations, had been considered and adopted; the policy document had been distributed to all members and posted on the Society's web site. Council had also briefly considered a possible change to the constitution under which the number of Council members would be reduced and members would be eligible for immediate re-election after the end of a term of office. This matter would be further considered at a future meeting and any recommendations would be put to a general meeting of the Society.

He reported that arrangements had been made for the present year's autumn day school to be held on 9 November 2019, once again at the Heronston Hotel in Bridgend. The theme would be the effects of World War I on civil society and speakers who had agreed to participate were Dr Aled Eirug, Graham Phillimore and Professor Martin Johnes.

The Society had continued to sponsor the Patricia Moore Memorial Prize which in 2018 had been awarded to Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Pontybrenin in Gorseinon. The awards ceremony in 2019 was to be held at the National Waterfront Museum in Swansea on Friday 5 July.

The report was accepted; proposed by Stephen Rowson, seconded by Hilary Thomas.

**6. Treasurer's report**

The Treasurer, Mr Keith Jones, reported that the Society had gained 10 new personal members during the year and that one institutional member had rejoined. There had been 4 resignations and 6 deaths. At the end of the year individual membership stood at 228 with 59 institutional members, a total of 287.

Income had fallen by £67 to £3,054. Total expenditure had fallen by £204 from £3,816 to £3,612.

The year ended with a deficit of £558 (compared to a deficit of £695 in the previous year). Overall the Society's financial position remained sound with total net assets of £16,986 (compared to £17,894 in the previous year).

The report was accepted; proposed by Richard Watson, seconded by Kim Collis.

**7. Joint Editors' report**

Speaking on behalf of the Joint Editors, Professor Madeleine Gray reported that the first volume of *Morgannwg* to have been produced solely by the present editors had been well received. She apologised for the faulty binding that had affected a small number of copies; arrangements had been made to replace these. She proposed to investigate the additional cost that would be involved in reverting to sewn binding rather than perfect binding.

She confirmed that several major articles and shorter notes were already to hand for future issues but she was anxious to encourage the submission of further notes and queries. Contributions in Welsh would be welcomed. She would also be glad to hear of books to be reviewed and of relevant material published in other journals.

The editors also sought the views of members on the archaeological reports published in *Morgannwg*. The present compiler was now finding it difficult to assemble the notes and was anxious to hand the task over. However, before seeking a new compiler the editors would like to know whether the notes in their present form were read and whether they might be presented in a way that would better meet the interest of readers.

Professor Gray also noted that it had been suggested that a future issue might consist solely of material from women contributors and invited comment.

In the following discussion members expressed their appreciation of the archaeological reports but would welcome a greater measure of interpretation of the facts rather than bare data. However, an issue comprising contributions solely from women met with little positive response.

The report was accepted; proposed by Richard Watson, seconded by Jeff Childs.

**8. Election of officers and members of Council**

The current officers were re-elected *en bloc* as were the nominations made by Council to the vacant Council positions (Rod Cooper and Huw Williams).

Proposed by Hilary Thomas, seconded by Chris Jones-Jenkins.

**9. Nomination of auditor**

The Treasurer reported that Mrs Jo Howell of Peterston super Ely was willing to continue to act as the Society's auditor and she was duly appointed.

**10. Any other business**

The Chairman congratulated the President on his forthcoming birthday which fell the following day. Members expressed their concurrence with acclamation.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2.45 p.m. Following the annual meeting of the South Wales Record Society Mr Stanley Soffa (Secretary of the Jewish History Association of South Wales) spoke on 'The voices and images of the south Wales Jewish community'.

Signed as a true record of proceedings

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