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FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 10th October 2023 via Zoom meeting at 7.30pm.

The Chairman Philip Bufton opened the meeting, 24 people in attendance.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from, Helen Roberts, Ann Trow and Ursula Griffiths.

2. Minutes of last Annual General

The minutes of the 2022 AGM (Zoom meeting) were signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes

No matters arising,

4. Chairman's Report

Eventually we are starting to get back to normality as far as local group meetings are concerned, all 3 of the groups have held some group meetings. Talking of the groups I am very glad to see that the Brecknock group has new officers now, a big thanks to Catherine Phillips-Davies for taking on the Chair of this group and also to Jonathan for taking up the Secretary post. Also, a welcome to Ursula Griffiths for coming forward to take on the role of Montgomery Group Secretary.

The society committee and other officers have however continued as normal, the Cronicl has been ably produced by our Editor Jenny Caines, producing a consistently impressive array of articles within the Cronicl. Jenny can only produce a high-quality publication from what is submitted by the membership, so a thanks to the general membership for contribution interesting articles and of course to Jenny Caines for compiling them in Cronicl. The articles relating to Montgomeryshire are still a little thin on the ground though.

Again, I want to thank Angela Jones, our Membership Secretary and Facebook facilitator for providing that valuable link between the membership, the society and via social media. Without this link and facility there would be no society.

We have made changes to the pricing of publications on our webshop, all publications on the webshop are now postage Free, or to be more precise they are all sent digitally. We are still prepared to send these on CD, but that is very rare that we get this request now.

The Monthly zoom virtual meeting will continue as it is a valuable way of connecting with our out-of-county and overseas members and we have had requests that they should continue.

My final and saddest notation is to report the death of our President and Brecknock group librarian Sheila Leitch, a stalwart of this society and especially the Brecknock group for more years than most of us can or want to remember.

The Brecon library is in the final stages of being digitised and will appear on the Members Area of the website in due course.

We held a special local open day in tribute to Sheila Leitch at the Glasbury village hall in August, this will be repeated on Saturday 3rd August 2024 at the same venue. We need to say a big thanks to our Projects Officer Barbara Lloyd for organising the Glasbury event and liaising with the local community and church.

Phil Bufton Chairman Powys FHS

5. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer submitted the accounts for the year to the Web Site all members can access these. The Society is in a healthy financial position with bank balances of £16800.61. A decrease of £689.56.64 during the last year. Income has increased by £183.49. Expenditure has increased by £280.91. Malcolm Jones Treasurer - Powys FHS

6. Editors report

I really appreciate all the articles being sent in and now have a good selection for Cronicles into 2024. Long may this situation continue as there is always room for more!

There have been a few recent struggles with copyright issues, not helped by the fact that requests for permissions are either not forthcoming or long delayed. If you are intending to submit an article, please be aware it is not possible to just copy online photos from Google or elsewhere – permissions generally have to be sought unless the site specifically mentions “free to use”.

It has been lovely to correspond via email with various members throughout the year, so if you have ideas or suggestions for inclusion in Cronicle please get in touch. I will look forward to hearing from you.

7. Appointment / Confirmation of Officers

President Vacant	Vice President: Post Vacant
Chairman	Philip Bufton
Membership Secretary	Angela Jones
Treasurer	Malcolm Jones
Editor	Jenny Caines
Projects Co-ordinator	Barbara Lloyd
Strays Co-ordinator	Heather Bufton
Members Interest Secretary	David Morgan
NBI Co-ordinator	Philip Bufton
Minute Secretary	Martin Jones
Web Master	Philip Bufton

The Chairman suggested that all officers listed above were elected en-bloc,
Proposed – Jonathan Davies. Seconded – Heather Bufton

9. Confirmation of Vice Chairman / Group Chairmen

Brecon Catherine Phillips-Davies. Montgomery Annie Owen Radnor Mr Keith Williams

Confirmation of Group Officers

Brecon Sec /	Jonathon Davies	Lib / Vacant
Montgomery Sec /	Ursula Griffiths	Lib / Ann Trow
Radnor Sec /	Barbara Gayther	Lib / Jennifer Lewis

10. Confirmation of Representatives of other bodies

Beryl Evans, NLW. Catherine Richards, Powys Archives.

11. AOB

No other business was raised

12. Date and Venue of 2024 AGM will be 8th October 2024 at 7.30pm via Zoom.