

PEMBROKESHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS
Minutes of the Board of Management 13th January 2016

PRESENT

Mrs D Williams (County President); Mr R Summons (County Chairman); Miss Alice James (County Vice-Chairman); Miss Helen Hodges (Board of Management Chair); Mrs Ann Phillips Davies (Life Member) Mr T Bevan (Chair Events Committee) Cara Norman (County Treasurer) Mr M Harries; N Roberts (Brawdy Hayscastle), S Morgan (Clunderwen), C Vaughan (Eglwyswrw), J Luke-Evans (Fishguard), T Hancock (Keyston), M Simons (Llawhaden), C Warlow (Llysyfran), D Treharne (Martletwy), N Thorne (Tiers Cross) Nia George (County Organiser)

Chairman's remarks.

Helen Hodges chairman in opening the meeting wished everyone a happy new year and welcomed them back to 2016.

Helen congratulated everyone who played a part in making the county Eisteddfod a success especially Sion Jenkins of Clunderwen YFC on winning the chair, Eglwyswrw YFC for winning the homework and Fishguard who won the light section and overall Eisteddfod.

Congratulations were extended to everyone who took part in the Wales YFC Eisteddfod in Aberystwyth. It was a good day for Pembrokeshire with many individual successes throughout the competitions:-

3rd Chloe Morgan, Instrumental solo, Grug Harries, , PowerPoint Presentation, Ffion Davies, , Art. Fishguard YFC 2 Voice party.

2nd Esyllt Thomas 21 and U Solo, Jess Robinson, Musical Solo, Shon Rees, Stand Up.

1st Sion Jenkins, Recitation 26 & U, Jess Robinson Solo 26 and Under, Arwel and Esyllt Duet, Sam and Hywel Humorous duet.

Jessica Robinson was also awarded the Ardudwy Cup for best soloist.

5th Overall.

Congratulations to everyone who won awards at the recent AGM in the council chambers. Alice mentioned the fantastic surroundings of the venue.

Helen congratulated the Vice Presidents Mrs Eirlys -Davies, Mrs Polly George, Mrs Gaynor Hancock, Mr Richard H Lewis, and Mr Dylan Williams on their re-election and Mrs Karen Jones on her election and to Mr Alwyn Evans who was elected President elect.

A number of certificates from the RWS and NFYFC were presented on the night as well as cups for the best minute book which went to Eglwyswrw YFC and the best treasurer presented to Jill Luke Evans Fishguard YFC. Bill Black trophy was awarded to Fishguard YFC and Ifan Lewis was awarded the Wayne Mathias Award. Eglwyswrw YFC won the overall Welsh Championship trophy and Llysyfran won the overall Championship trophy. Despite the weather winter fair ran smoothly with Keyston YFC named as overall winners at the end of the day. Helen extended thanks to everyone who stewarded and made the day possible at Whitland mart ground and JJ Morris for hosting the event.

Congratulations were also extended to everyone who attended the Wales Winter Fair and special mention was given to Andrew Phillips on being named Wales Prime Lamb producer in the Wales YFC Lamb Scheme.

Also congratulations to everyone who took part in the one day public speaking day on the 6th December. Adjudicators from all of the age groups were very impressed with the standards of competing. A special congratulations to Eglwyswrw YFC on winning the overall Brownslate trophy and good luck to all those competing in Builth Wells on the 2nd of April.

Helen noted that a fantastic night was had by all at the Queens ball and feedback had been very positive. She thanked everyone who supported and thanked Tom, Alice and Richard for their hard work setting and cleaning up.

Apologies for absence.

Alun Griffiths, Karen Jones, Katie Davies.

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 21st October 2015

Non Thorne and Caryl Warlow were in attendance at the last meeting
The minutes were signed as a true record

2. **Matters arising.**

- (a) Updates to the website were queried specifically things like the gallery and Nia informed the meeting that Sian had undertaken a number of notable changes and asked when they had last checked the updated version.

- (b) Ball in the hall - A bill of £100 had been received for Clunderwen Hall so the profit for the Ball was £220 not £320 as previously thought.

- (c) Alice noted that the date for the Horse racing had been revised and would now be the end of March

3. **Correspondence.**

A booking form had been received from PAS regarding the County Show site. It was proposed that we book the site again and ask for the marquee to be set back off the tarmac to allow for displays.

4. Review of Queens Ball

Pembrokeshire YFC – Queens Ball Breakdown 2015

Service	2015	Notes
Expenditure		
* Estimation		
Park House Fee	800.00	
Drapes etc. (Dingle)	1644.00	Inc. Annex
Security	588.00	
Band	400.00	
Disco	150.00	
PA	375.00	
Lighting	220.00	

Q&A Allowance	150.00	
Reception Drinks	64.70	
Posters/Tickets	124.50	
Heaters	280.00	
Skip	394.70	
Total Expenditure	5190.90	
Income		
Food Tender	???????	
Ticket Sales Pre @£12	4188.00	349 tickets
Ticket Sales Door @ £15	270.00	18 tickets
Bar Profit	4408.21	
Total Income	8866.21	
Total Profit	£3675.31	

Bar

Expenditure	Total
Jager Machine	30.00
Templeton	832.68
Bookers/Bar	1889.91
Misc./ Additional	126.94
Total	2879.53
Income	7287.74
Profit	£4408.21

Tom Bevan Chair of Events committee produced a printed report outlining the income and expenditure for the 2015 Queens Ball. Tom noted that another £1000 of tickets needed to have been sold for the event to pay for itself and make the bar all profit.

It was noted that general feedback had been good for the ball and the band received positive comments.

Richard Summons noted the cleaning and asked if we could get a price for the clean up after the event. It was agreed to price up the service for next year's Queens Ball. Tom noted that he felt the food didn't work inside and needed to be outside in future.

It was noted that more stewards are needed for events when we run the bar. A discussion was held on how to get every club to provide stewards. It was agreed that for Rally dance a steward from each club would be asked to help.

Alice and her attendants were thanked for a wonderful reception and Tom for his work organising the event.

5... Finance:-

(a) Hon. Treasurer's Report & review of finances.

Cara Norman in moving for the adoption of a verbal report congratulated the events committee and organisers on the success of the queen's ball. She noted that such events were proving lucrative and felt that these were the way ahead taking pressure off having to find additional fundraisers although these would still be welcome. Cara read a letter from accountants LHP answering the queries raised during the pre-meeting at the agm when it was felt that the accounts could not be adopted. A discussion followed and the accounts were discussed further. Following discussion it was proposed that the accounts be adopted.

Cara asked what the benefits of projections were and how they made a difference. Dill explained that it was a system Howell had introduced. It was agreed that projections would be given every six months to see that the organisation was on the right track. Cara moved for the adoption of the report.

Helen thanked Cara for her report and for her continued work with the movement.

(b) Dates, Venues & Admission prices for future events.

Depending on the outcome in the Exec to have prelims for the dancing and singing competitions:

Solo/ Group Singing

Date: 13th May

Venue: Llawhaden Hall

Admission: £3 / Free

Raffle: Yes

Refreshments: County YFC Queen, Male Ambassador & Attendants to take charge.

NFYFC cookery

Clarbston Road Hall

Date:

Admission: No Charge

Raffle: Yes

Refreshments: County YFC Queen, Male Ambassador & Attendants to take charge.

Dancing

Prelim Date:

Admission: £3 / free

Competitors: Free of charge

Raffle: YES

Refreshments: County YFC Queen, Male Ambassador & Attendants to take charge.

Ball in a Hall

Date: 16th Sept. 2015
Venue: Martletwy Hall
Theme: (to be discussed again)
Refreshments: Bring your own.
Entry: £7

County Eisteddfod

Venue: Theatr Y Gromlech Preseli
Date: 22nd October 2016
Admission: Adults £6 all day, £5 evening session only.
Primary School children £2 all day, £1 evening session only.
Competitors free of charge
Raffle: Yes
Refreshments: To be sold

5. Membership.
Silo was presently not working but the technician from NFYFC is aware of the problem
7. 2016 County Annual General Meeting:
 - (a) Venue: Council Chambers
 - (b) Date: 9th November 2016
 - (c) Guest Speaker. - Canon ~Dorian Davies Reserve: Tori James, Woodpark
8. 2016 County Training Programme.

Narberth Rugby Club

Corresponding Date

Trainers:

Chairmen: Richard Summons & Alice James

Secretaries: Nia George & Mared Jones

Treasurers: Helen Hodges

Leaders: A discussion was had about organising a social evening for club leaders and to discuss further training needs at that event.

.9. County 100+ Club.

196 as 198 last year

10. County Harvest Festival

Llysyfran to be invited

11. Staff Matters.

Helen noted that the constitution states that staffing issues can be represented by a sub group with people outside the management team. Helen said she had mentioned this to Cara Alice and Richard and had been thinking of names to be invited. She put forward Howell Davies and Gill Lawrence who both had experience of YFC and handling staff. Richard had also been thinking of names and put forward Gareth Davies, Emyr Rees and Sarah Davies. A discussion followed and it was agreed that further names would be suggested and a decision would be made on who to invite. She also informed the committee that a staff review had been carried out.

12. Any other Business.

Mark Davies is unable to act as timekeeper the Welsh Drama but Helen Hodges agreed to step in and act as timekeeper.

Nia noted that Valero and Radio Pembrokeshire have agreed to fund another year of funding for the radio programme. Nia noted that Radio Pembrokeshire was impressed with the content and way the show was put together.

Ann Phillips Davies requested for a hard copy of the minutes to be sent to her in future.

Dill asked if Community awards could be presented at the next exec meeting.

Wales YFC will be holding a rural affairs conference in Builth on the 31st of January.

13. To confirm date of next meeting **Wednesday 9th March 2016**

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.