

PEMBROKESHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS CLUBS
Minutes County Executive Committee meeting Wednesday 28th March 2018,
held at Agriculture House, Winch Lane, Haverfordwest.

Present: 36 as per attendance book

Chairman's remarks.

Good evening all and can you believe that 2018 is flying by. Since our last meeting Panto fever has been and gone at county level and despite the beast from the east's best efforts we've managed to push forward with a fantastic result in the English Pantomime where County winners in the English section Llysyfran came a fantastic 3rd overall. They also won the best technical achievement and there were nominations for Pippa Bevan as Alice, Carys Griffiths the Essex cat and Angharad Edwards as the Queen of hearts. It was also a great day with our newly elected senior member going on to represent Pembrokeshire and gain a third place.

Also huge congratulations to Tyleri Warlow representing us in the junior Member of the Year competition and good luck to Hermon who will be competing on the 15th April in Brecon at the Wales Pantomime finals.

We also held a county round of Disco Dancing where Llawhaden and Clunderwen had a dance off. It was Clunderwen's disco moves that won it on the night but both teams put up a great show, and the judge gave us a demonstration of body popping too.

It was back to Llawhaden Hall for a Lycra Party then where a lot of fun was had by all and proceeds from the evening will be going towards the big trip to Blackpool in May.

The next day we were up and at 'em and heading for Builth to the Wales Public Speaking day in Welsh and English and what a day. A massive congratulations to the Welsh senior Braintrust Welsh Intermediate Debating 2nd, Welsh Public Speaking 2nd, Welsh U 14 reading team 3rd and Welsh Just a Minute team 1st, who's fabulous overall results ensured that Pembrokeshire were the winning federation at the end of the day. It didn't stop there, also a fantastic day for the English reading team the English junior speaking team who came first, the English intermediate braintrust team who came first, the English senior mace debating team who came first and the just a minute team who came first again ensuring an overall win for the English Public Speaking team. On top of this success Clunderwen's disco dancing team gave us all a fantastic show. As well as the Jump rope team who will now be heading for Blackpool after their winning routine! Congratulations to every single member who helped us achieve this fantastic win and a massive thanks to all the trainers who have put in the long hours to train. Non also wanted to add that she felt 10 foot tall going to collect the trophies.

On Sunday the building was buzzing again with 4 members interviewed for the role of Queen, 15 for the role of Attendant and 7 for the role of Male Ambassador. Despite having to make tough decisions the judges couldn't praise members enough for their hard work and commitment to their clubs county and the movement as a whole. A huge thank you to our judges Mrs Helen Williams, Mr Arwyn Davies & Mr Nicky Williams in the male Ambassador and Mrs Mererid Jones, Mr Dafydd Jones and Mrs Janet Morgan in the Queen and Attendants. The results will be revealed at the Field Day dance on the 7th April. Please note that there will be NO entry after 10.30pm tickets or no tickets! Also if any clubs have any return tickets please let Nia now as we have a waiting list.

Apologies for absence.

Rebecca Voyle, Karen Jones, Ros Bushell, Nicola Owen, Emily Jones, Simon Snape, Rhodri Lewis, Hywel Davies, Jill Luke-Evans, Dan Roblin, Esther Davies.

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 31st January 2018 (enclosed). Minutes were read and signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising.

No Matters arising.

3. Correspondence.

(a) Wales YFC

Liz Rees has contacted us to thank all who helped with the Festival of Public Speaking last Saturday. The day ran smoothly and thank you to all involved. To help us plan for next year's event, if you have any suggestions on how to improve the day, please forward details to Nia to forward back to Liz.

Action Point : Anyone with any points to raise to email them to the office

(b) DPJ Foundation Coastal Walk

The DPJ Foundation are organising a coastal walk to raise awareness of mental health issues. It starts on Monday 2nd April in Poppit Sands and runs to the 10th. A bus will be available to take you back to the starting point each day.

Each day ranges between 13-24 miles with Day 10 to be used a catch up day if we slip behind. £25 to walk as part of Team DPJ for the entire expedition including a t-shirt or £10 to walk a day. Extra £9 for t-shirt. For further information or to sign up please contact Emma on emma@thedpjfoundation.co.uk or 07920048301. Nia will send information out to all.

4. CIO - Nia Lloyd

Non welcomed our Wales YFC chief Executive here tonight to introduce the CIO to us and talk us through the process. Nia gave an outline to CIO explaining what is charitable status was. Every business and charity has a status. At the moment we are set up as an unincorporated charitable organisation. Every now and again you need to review your status and constitution. Trustees must be 18 plus cannot own property or have staff. According to the law the Executive Committee makes the decisions. As decision makers Exec would be liable. Never happened before but could happen. As a Charitable Incorporated Association (CIO) - you can then employ staff, enter into contracts and own property. Nia offered support from Wales YFC. To become a CIO the current Pembs YFC as you know it would cease. A New Constitution would be created- re look at the old.

Nia went on to outline the negatives from turning to CIO which included it being lots of work. Voting representatives could be reduced however Becoming a CIO is an opportunity to refresh and relook and ensure that we are Fit for purpose.

Does this change cover club or just county?

Questions were asked as to whether adopting CIO would be necessary for clubs but Nia noted that for the time being it was important to concentrate on county then look to clubs in the future.

Delme Harries that the CIO would essentially protect the members of exec and would offer us the opportunity to look at the constitutions and our terms of reference to ensure that all aspects of the movement are running smoothly and effectively.

He suggested putting together a small group of county officials to prepare and discuss the options in more detail who could in turn report back to board of management and the Executive committee.

5. Wales Strategic Plan

Non welcomed Wales YFC Chairman Laura Elliott to the meeting and congratulated her on her recent appointment as NFYFC Vice Chairman. Laura thanked Non and thanked Pembrokeshire YFC and Katie Davies for seconding her nomination. Laura wanted to give us some information regarding the strategic plan for Wales YFC. The Welsh Government have funded the organisation £30,000 to create a strategic plan. The officials are keen to create a document with aspirational content that is a robust document. They are looking to put together around 10 pages and that can be used as a working document to be used to underpin any further funding bids or extra funding towards staffing etc. They are asking counties for feedback on what works what's missing? What doesn't work to carry out a natural review of the overall organisation.

6. To receive and adopt the following reports:

A. NFYFC Council

In moving for the adoption of a verbal report Katie seconded Non's congratulations to Laura Elliot on being elected NFYFC Vice.

Katie noted that amendments of Bi-Law - will be put forward for passing at AGM.

Levy increase - is to be proposed at AGM but the new bi-law notes that this can still be taken back to council.

Fares Pool will be £189 per council pool.

A note in terms of competitions as of 2018/2019 - TOW weight will be changed from 580/560.

Public Speaking video

Theme for the AGM Friday night will be Glow in the dark

Anyone interested in acting as a promoter for the Ski Trip to France

Good behaviour at AGM is imperative and information has been sent to all Pembrokeshire delegates reminding them of what will be expected.

A Motion to increase levy by £5 will be put forward at the agm therefore Katy would like the members thought on how Pembrokeshire will vote.

Katie moved for the movement of the report.

Non thanked Katie for the report and asked what members thoughts were on increasing the levy by £5 . A discussion followed and it was unanimously agreed that the motion be supported for an increase of £5 in the levy.

Delme Harries reminded delegates that there was a cup for the best speaker in the AGM and that this year he had the honour of selecting the best speaker.

B. Competitions Sub Committee meeting

In moving for the adoption of a printed report Katie apologised for her absence in the meeting and thanked Non for chairing the meeting. She noted that from the written report points to note would be the concerns raised about having palette recycling at field day and the decision to hold the competition on the same evening as NFYFC cookery at Clarbeston Raod Hall. Katie moved for the adoption of the report.

Non thanked Katie for the report.

C. Board of Management Sub Committee Meeting

Non Thorne apologised on behalf of Karen Jones Board of management for her absence and drew the following key points from the printed report that had been circulated.

Michael Harries has decided to step down as a co-opted member of the board and therefore members were urged to think of who they would like on the board of management for the next meeting when the co-option would need to be put forward. Cara Norman the honorary treasurer had reported projections for the year and had noted her intention to step down from the position of honorary treasurer at the AGM in September. She had suggested Neil Davies for the role. Rally Tenders were presented and discussed. Non moved for the adoption of the report.

D. Any other meeting attended by an YFC representative.

There were no other meetings

7. Rally Day Timetable

A discussion was had regarding the rally timetables that had been circulated and the general consensus was to adopt version one with the following amendments.

Rally Sign in. to be added to the final timetable.

Junior Tug of War will all be held on rally day

Weigh in for tug of war will be specifically between

11:30 - 12:30am.

The Cookery area will be closed off and parents and trainers will not be permitted behind the stage area until the area is opened for display. Judge and Steward only.

Prelim night - After a discussion it was decided to have all singing and dancing on rally day with one prelims night to be held at Llawhaden hall for the Recycled Band/On the News/Promote your club.

8. County Show Working Party

It was noted that there will be a County show working Party in June and that any one who is interested in the planning of the new location is to contact Nia

9. County Youth Forum -

10. There is no Youth Forum report tonight as the majority are enjoying themselves in Iceland. However Nia noted that Sioned is keen to hold a mixer between Ceredigion Youth Forum and Carmarthenshire Youth Forum.

Youth Forum members.- Need to do something to generate more members at youth forum

Possible ideas are to meet on a Different night -

Chair and secretaries to encourage a move and try and get members to attend.

Maybe changes of location

More promotions to attract new members and to not be stuck to having members in county office at the same time as County Exec.

11. Any other business.

Mr & Mrs Night - Clarbeston Road Hall Friday night.

Panto Hermon 6th April Friday - Ysgol Y Preseli.

11. To confirm date of next meeting Wednesday, 27th June 2018 at 8p.m.

Meeting Closed at 9.50pm

SIGNED

Date