

Western Counties Photographic Federation
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AGM SAT 10th October 2020
Meeting held on Zoom

AGENDA

1. Welcome and opening remarks
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of 2019 AGM – Available on the WCPF website
4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on Agenda
5. Election of officers to the Executive
6. Financial Statement Committee Members Reports - Q & A Session (Reports will be available in advance to clubs)
7. Travelling exhibition Club print competition
8. Any Other Business

Ian Bateman opened the meeting and welcomed those attending.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence received from Alex Hamer, Beryl Heaton, Danny Heaton, Russell McGowan, Brian Sweeting

2. Minutes of AGM 2019 - Matters arising

Note was made that apologies were recorded but not attendees;

The AV had not been shown at Tavistock;

It was clarified that it was up to individual clubs to organise their insurance following reorganisation by PAGB;

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by Chaz Madge, seconded by Eddy Lane.

All in favour of acceptance.

3. Election of Officers to the Executive

The President launched the online voting, and 97% of those attending voted to retain the Executive en bloc (3% had technical issues).

Nick Bodle, incoming President took over Chairing the meeting and started by thanking Ian Bateman for his tenure, particularly in difficult Covid times.

4. Financial Statement

The Treasurer thanked Peter Weaver and Phillipa Rabbitts for conducting the audit.

One or two minor corrections were needed.

Clubs will be asked to pay £5 only for membership to WCPF to ensure that records are kept up to date.

5. Executive Officers Reports

A. AV Competition - judge and venue have been booked for 2021 event, but will be more likely to be held as a live Zoom event.

B. Directory - nothing to add for WCPF Directory, however a questionnaire is being sent to clubs to determine whether a bi-annual printed PAGB Directory is still required.

C. DPIC 2021 - No update as yet regarding this event due to Covid uncertainty.

D. Inter Club Print Competition - it is too early to make a decision on the competition for 2021.

E. Kingswood Salver - Still open for entries, closing date 24 October. Cost is £5 per club. Judging is on 14 November by Lee Wolford.

F. Knightshayes Trophy - 2020 very successful, with a talk from Will Cheung. The event in 2021 is unlikely to be held live with prints, together with the Council Meeting this will be on Zoom. John Tilsley raised concern that the competition is traditionally for prints, and suggested that a way of entering prints could be found. PAGB cancelled all print competitions and most clubs are very reluctant to handle prints. The competition will return to print format as soon as possible following Government regulations.

G. Judging Seminar - impossible to hold . All delegates were contacted and offered a refund, most opted to stay on the list until a live event could be held.

H. Publicity - the Publicity Officer is happy to publicise virtual exhibitions and other club events. Zoom meetings have given an opportunity for clubs to have speakers from further afield, for a low or even no fee.

I. Travelling Exhibition - if a Members Exhibition is possible with prints, a Travelling Exhibition will be circulated to clubs.

J. Members Exhibition - the 2020 exhibition was cancelled completely, the 2021 exhibition is currently planned as digital entries only. Anyone who had entered digital images will be able to amend their entries for no fee unless they add additional

images. If it becomes possible to select prints, then the prints entered for 2020 and held by AVCs will be used for the selection process.

K. Webmaster - Covid guidance is changing very fast, Nick Bodle is endeavouring to keep the information on the WCPF website up to date.

Acceptance of the reports en bloc was proposed by Ian Bateman, seconded by John Tilsley.

92% of those attending on Zoom voted to accept the Finance report and Officers reports.

6. Any Other Business

The PAGB Representative apologised for not giving an advance report.

Past President Ian Lines had passed away;

PAGB will not be making a charge to Clubs for the forthcoming year;

The PAGB AGM will be held on 10 April 2021;

The Interclub Print competition and Masters of Print 2020 were both cancelled;

Demand for recorded lectures is increasing;

Ian Douglas queries why clubs are required to pay a subscription when they are getting no income;

The Treasurer replied that WCPF still provides support and keeps a record of functioning clubs

The meeting closed at 12.00.