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# THE HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY

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THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY was held on Sunday, 27th April, 1969, at the Social Centre for Handicapped Persons, Hanover Square, Leeds, at 2.30. p.m.

Those present: Mr. J.R. Hunter (in the Chair)  
Messrs. Polton, Morris, Phillips, Crawley, Rogers, Elliott,  
Prothero, Cooper, Bowtle, Sherburn, Proud, Weatherhead,  
Mrs. Britten, Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Hunter,  
Dr. M. Scott Stevenson.

Apologies for absence from: Lord Willis, Drs. Davies, Forty, Hardisty, Ingram, Rizza,  
Prof. Wilkinson, ~~Mr. Cooper~~, Mrs. Cowe, Miss Brodie,  
Mr. Rutherford.

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Scott Stevenson from the Department of Education and Science, and Mr. Bowtle, Mr. Proud and Mr. Cooper and thanked Mrs. Howard, Mr. Weatherhead and Mr. Sherburn for making the arrangements for the A.G.M. at the Social Centre in Leeds.

## A G E N D A

1. Minutes of the previous Council meeting.
2. Matters arising from the Minutes.
3. Sir Lionel Whitby Memorial Award.
4. Election of President.
5. Election of Vice-Presidents.
6. Medical Advisory Panel.
7. Any other business.

Minutes of the previous Council Meeting held on 16.3.69.

The Minutes were signed as a correct record.

### Matters arising from the Minutes.

Survey Report on Social Welfare - Miss Tyndale's article had been published in the March issue of the Journal of the Institute of Social Workers.

Survey on Employment - This Survey had aroused a good deal of interest. The Department of Employment and Productivity had produced a leaflet on Haemophilia for the guidance of D.R.O's. This has not yet been circulated as it had seemed to some members of the Medical Panel and others to over emphasize the difficulties of haemophiliacs in employment and the material was to be presented in a different form.

Lewisham - A group had now been established and officers elected.

Royal Patronage - Efforts had been made to obtain Royal Patronage but the matter was dormant at present.

Group Liaison - Notes for the guidance of Groups had been circulated to the Officers of the Groups.

Mr. Sherburn, Treasurer of the Leeds Group, asked if circulars etc. sent to Group Secretaries could also be sent to the Treasurer. It was agreed that in future copies should be sent to the Secretary, the Chairman and the Treasurer of each Group. The representatives from Manchester, Leeds and Newcastle spoke in approval of the suggested 'Notes for Guidance' and after some discussion Mr. Polton proposed and Mr. Bowtle seconded the motion that the Council welcomed the notes for the guidance of Groups and proposed that these notes should be adopted by the Society and be brought to the notice of all Group representatives. This motion was carried unanimously. Mr. Bowtle hoped that this would have a stimulating effect on the activities of the Groups.

Dr. Kuttner was anxious to form a Group consisting mainly of members in the Hampshire area to be known as the Wessex Group and was working in liaison with Dr. Stern of Bournemouth and Mr. Gelsthorpe. A Questionnaire had been circulated to members in the area asking for their support and it was hoped that a meeting could be arranged in June.

Royal Free Hospital - Mr. Phillips proposed and Mr. Prothero seconded that a No. 2 Bank Account should be opened to hold funds raised in connection with the Royal Free Hospital Haemophilia Centre Appeal. Cheque signatories to be Dr. K.M. Dormandy and Mr. K.R. Polton. This was agreed.

#### Sir Lionel Whitby Memorial Award

Five nominations had been received for this award. Mrs. Britten proposed and Mr. Polton seconded that two awards should be made this year. This was agreed unanimously. After some discussion Mr. Polton proposed and Mr. Proud seconded that these awards should be given to Mr. Paul Teahan and Mr. Peter MacBryan. This proposal was carried unanimously and it was decided that the full amount of 20 guineas should be given to both members.

#### Election of President

The Chairman said that Sir Weldon Dalrymple-Champneys had expressed his willingness to continue as President for the following year and proposed that he continue in that office for 1969/70. This was seconded by Mr. Weatherhead and agreed unanimously.

Election of Vice-Presidents

It was proposed by Mr. Bowtle and seconded by Mr. Proud that the following Vice-Presidents should be re-elected:-

Proff. R.G. Macfarlane  
Proff. J.F. Wilkinson

Mr. H.F. Rutherford  
Lord Willis of Chislehurst

This was agreed unanimously.

Medical Advisory Panel

It was unanimously agreed that Dr. R. Biggs, Dr. S.H. Davies, Dr. K.M. Dormandy, Dr. R.M. Hardisty, Dr. G.I.C. Ingram and Dr. C.R. Rizza be invited to continue to form the Advisory Panel.

Mr. Cooper asked for a vote of appreciation for all the help given by the Medical Advisory Panel to the Society and this was given very enthusiastically by all Council members. Mr. Bowtle asked that the names of the members of the Medical Advisory Panel should be printed on the Annual Report.

Any other business

After the circulation of the printed News Bulletin about the Oxford Centre a letter had been received from Professor Macfarlane which the Chairman read to the Council. The Council were very pleased to hear that when Professor Macfarlane returned to Oxford he hoped to continue his close association with the Society.

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