

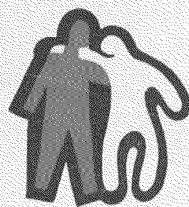
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THE HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY

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THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY was held on Sunday, 25th April, 1971 at 1.15 p.m. at the Postgraduate Medical Centre, Royal Victoria Hospital, Boscombe, Bournemouth.

Those present: Mr. Hunter (in the Chair)
Mr. Biggs, Mrs. Britten, Mr. Cleworth, Mrs. Cowe,
Mr. Elliott, Mrs. Hunter, Dr. Kuttner, Mr. Leven,
Mr. Morris, Mrs. Phillips, Mr. Polton, Mr. Prothero,
Mrs. Reeves, Mr. Rosenblatt, Dr. Scott Stevenson,
Rev. A. Tanner, Mr. Williams.

Apologies: Dr. Davies, Dr. Dormandy, Prof. Hardisty, Mrs. Howard,
Dr. Ingram, Lewisham Group, Prof. Macfarlane,
Mr. Neil Marten, M.P., Prof. Wilkinson.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes of the previous Council Meeting.
2. Matters arising from the Minutes.
3. Group Matters.
4. Election of President.
5. Election of Vice-Presidents.
6. Election of Medical Panel.
7. Any other business.

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Scott Stevenson and Group representatives.

1. The Minutes of the previous Council Meeting held on 13.3.1971.

The Minutes were signed as a correct record.

The Chairman said that owing to the postal strike the despatch of nomination forms for the Officers and Executive Committee had been delayed, and asked the Council to endorse the Officers' action in delaying the date for the receipt of nominations beyond that required by the Rules. This was agreed unanimously.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes.

New Centres Members of the Medical Panel had sent letters to the Wessex Regional Hospital Board recommending the need for the Royal Victoria Hospital, Boscombe and the Royal South Hants Hospital, Southampton to be made Centres. The matter was to be discussed at the next meeting of the Wessex Hospital Board.

3. Group Matters.

Mrs. Cowe of the Scottish Group spoke about the successful meeting of members in April in Glasgow. Contact had been made at this meeting with Baillie Walter Wober of Glasgow Corporation. He had shown much interest and it was hoped that he would be able to help the Group with their fund raising.

Mr. Cleworth and Mr. Williams were contacting as many members as possible in and around Manchester. They wished to arouse interest and organise a general meeting which would revive the activities of the Northern Group. Mr. Polton had said that a list of names would be sent from the office, and Mr. Leven suggested that the Haemophilia Centre in Manchester might be willing to send a circular letter to haemophiliacs registered there.

Mr. Biggs of the Great Ormond Street Hospital Group reported that a meeting had been held at the end of March to arrange the year's programme. It was recognised that the activities would be somewhat different from other Groups the interest centreing on children. It had been agreed that Mrs. M.I. Britten should be asked to talk about the work of the World Federation of Haemophilia; a summer outing was to be organised for the children at the Safari Park at Windsor. In the winter it was hoped that a forum might be held on educational problems. A dinner party had been organised by the Great Ormond Street Group which had been attended by Lord Willis. £190 had been raised to help with the expenses of sending a delegate to Teheran.

Mrs. Reeves of the Southern Group reported that the Ringwood Round Table had helped the Group to obtain a caravan to put on a garage forecourt during the Easter weekend from which refreshment had been served. The bad weather had been against this venture but a profit had been made. Many leaflets had been distributed and also some useful contacts made. The talk by Mrs. Britten on the work of the World Federation had been reported in the press by Mr. Gunner and a cheque for £50 had been sent by a reader of the newspaper. Two members from the Southern Group, Dr. N. Dilling and Mrs. Benfield were going to the Teheran Congress of the W.F.H.

4. Election of President

The Chairman said that Sir Weldon Dalrymple-Champneys was willing to serve for the ensuing year as President and his proposal to that effect was unanimously approved.

5. Election of Vice-Presidents

The Chairman proposed that Professor R.G. Macfarlane, Mr. Neil Marten, Mr. H.F. Rutherford, Professor J.F. Wilkinson and Lord Willis should continue as Vice-Presidents for the forthcoming year. This was agreed unanimously.

Mr. Polton reported that Sir Peter Rawlinson had accepted the invitation to become a Vice-President. This was agreed unanimously.

Mr. Polton then proposed that the Society invite Mr. Robert Massie to become a Vice-President. Mrs. Britten seconded this proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

Some discussion took place on continuing our efforts to find a Patron.

6. Election of Medical Panel.

The Chairman proposed that Dr. R. Biggs, Dr. S.H. Davies, Dr. K.M. Dormandy, Prof. R.H. Hardisty, Dr. G.I.C. Ingram and Dr. C.R. Rizza should continue as the Society's Medical Advisory Panel for the ensuing year. This was unanimously agreed.

7. Any other business.

The Chairman thanked the Southern Group for the excellent arrangements that had been made for the Annual General Meeting. He wished to thank especially the Ladies of the Group for their hospitality which had been greatly appreciated.

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