

NORTH YORKSHIRE WEST FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES.

The minutes of the Spring Council Meeting of the **North Yorkshire West Federation of Women's Institutes** held at **The Garden Room, Tennants of Leyburn on Wednesday 10th April 2019**

JERUSALEM.

WELCOME. – – The Federation Chairman, Pauline Bowman gave a warm welcome to all the members in attendance including a special welcome to past Federation Chairmen: Ellen Dunkley and Sylvia Foxton, and representatives from neighbouring Federations: East Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, Durham, Lancashire, Cumbria-Cumberland and Cumbria-Westmorland Federations.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – The following apologies had been received by the Federation Secretary, Mrs Michelle Gracey and were read out as follows: -

- Humberside Federation of WIs
- North Yorkshire East Federation of WIs
- 19 individual WI's from the NYWFWI

MINUTES OF THE LAST SPRING COUNCIL MEETING – Held at the Pavilions, Harrogate Saturday, 24th March 2018, Proposed by the Chairman, approved by Mary Alderson, Bainbridge WI and signed as a true record of the meeting with the agreement of all the delegates. The minutes of this meeting will be available from Alma House during office hours from the 13th May 2019. The minutes of this meeting will be signed at the Spring Council Meeting on Saturday 28th March at the Majestic Hotel, Harrogate

INTRODUCTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

The Chairman introduced the members of the Board of Trustees: Carol Ambler, Julie Clarke, Anne Harrison, Margaret Merrall, Tamsin Leonard, Liz Whapples, Jackie Williams. Federation Secretary, Michelle Gracey and Finance Secretary, Kim Wood, were also introduced.

PRESENTATION OF THE ACCOUNTS –

Lesley Manser proposed JWP Creers LLP as the Financial Examiner of the accounts for 2019; this was seconded by Kath Hewitt from Clapham with Horton WI with agreement from all the delegates.

APPOINTMENT OF THE FINANCIAL EXAMINER FOR 2019 –

Lesley Manser proposed adoption of the Annual Report 2018 and Work of the Committees; this was seconded by Kath Hewitt from Clapham with Horton WI with agreement from all the delegates.

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORT 2018 AND WORK OF THE COMMITTEES

Lesley Manser asked all delegates if they had all read the annual report and were happy to agree them, this was agreed by the members.

GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW

Julie Clarke gave thanks to all the members who helped with the show last year and encouraged members to sign up to help at this year's Show or to enter the competitions.

1st GUEST SPEAKER – Rodney Tennant from Tennants of Leyburn

VOTE OF THANKS – Pat Todd – Forest Moor WI

2nd GUEST SPEAKER – Hellifield WI who entertained with some Musical Theatre

VOTE OF THANKS – Anita Wood – Aspin Park WI

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS – **Pauline Bowman**

200 CLUB DRAW

This was drawn and the winners were as follows:-

£100 prize – Marton Cum Grafton
£50 prize – Ellen Dunkley
£30 prize – Patricia Lodge

FAREWELL TO THE OLD BOT'S & INTRO TO THE NEW BOTS

Pauline announced the new BOT members, Jean Jones Judith Stansfield, Heather Stoney and presented retiring BOT members Carol Ambler and Lesley Manser with flowers and a gift thanking them for all their help over the years.

3rd GUEST SPEAKER – Federation Rock Choir

VOTE OF THANKS – Heather Stoney – Glasshouses WI

This concluded the Morning Business Meeting

Pauline Bowman welcomed everyone to the afternoon session. Hoped they had all enjoyed their lunch and were now looking forward to our afternoon speaker:

PRESENTATION CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Sincere and warm congratulations were extended to the following:

WI Birthdays

Marton Cum Grafton WI	95 years	Glasshouses WI	70 years
Arkendale WI	90 years	Hellifield WI	70 years
Burneston & Carthorpe WI	90 years	Ribston WI	70 years
Coverdale WI	90 years	Ripley, Nidd & Brearton WI	70 years
Kirkby Malzeard WI	90 years	Thoralby & District WI	70 years
Malham WI	90 years	Broughton With Elslack WI	65 years
Summerbridge WI	90 years	Cononley WI	60 years
Askwith With Weston WI	70 years	Low Bentham & District WI	50 years
Burton In Lonsdale WI	70 years	Dallowgill WI	25 years

Long Service Award:

Joan Procter Long Preston WI
Elizabeth Dodgson Low Bentham WI

Melsonby WI Kathleen Bird Trophy
Skipton Ewes WI Rose Bowl Award
Swale WI Ella Pullan Award
Jan Bell, Ure with Leyburn Norah Worth Trophy

Afternoon Entertainment – Debbie McGee

Vote Of Thanks – Tamsin Leonard – Skipton Ewes WI

Denman Dip Draw:- Margaret Hammond – Gargrave WI

RAFFLE – This was drawn.

CHAIRMANS CLOSING REMARKS –

Pauline thanked all for coming and thanked all the helpers, stewards and raffle sellers. She also thanked Michelle Gracey, Federation Secretary and Kim Wood, Finance Secretary for all their help.

THANKS TO THE CHAIRMAN – Heather Stoney – Glasshouses WI

NATIONAL ANTHEM

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Saturday 28th March 2020 at Majestic Hotel, Harrogate