

**BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH**

**12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**CHANCELLORS CENTRE, UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER, 6 SEPTEMBER 2013 at 1345**

Present;

Professor Lawrence Weaver Acting President

Professor Denis Gill

Mr. Nicholas Baldwin Hon. Secretary

Dr. Jonathan Dossetor Hon. Treasurer

Dr. Terry Bate\*

Dr. Jane Brooks\*

Dr. Judith Darmady

Mrs. Penny Dossetor\*

Professor Peter Dunn

Mrs. Judy Dunn\*

Dr. David Gardner-Medwyn

Dr. Andrew Kennedy

Professor Carole King\*

Sylvia, Countess of Limerick

Dr. Mary Clare Martin (from Item 6)

Dr. Philip Mortimer (from Item 6)

Professor Ewen Ross

Dr. Christopher Ward\*

Professor Conor Ward

Mrs. Pauline Ward\*

(\*Non-members asterisked)

1. Welcome

Professor Weaver welcomed members and associates to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies, due to illness, had been received from Professor Dan Young and Dr. Mary Lindsay.

3. Minutes of the Society's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, Winchester, 7 September 2012

The Minutes of the 2012 AGM were approved.

#### 4. Acting President's Report

Lawrence Weaver reported that the Spring Meeting at Glasgow in June had been well attended, with a notable George Armstrong Lecture given by Professor Russell Viner. The deaths of former members Professor John Forfar and Dr. Jenny Tyrrell were noted. Dr. Bob Postlethwaite had offered to remain on the Society's Executive Committee following his hosting of the Manchester Meeting, to replace Dr. Simon Court, who had recently resigned from the Committee; this was approved by the membership.

#### 5. Hon. Secretary's Report

The Hon. Secretary reported that 5 new members had joined since the previous AGM, but that there had been two resignations, and the death of Dr Tyrrell as mentioned.

The 2013 Cadogan Essay Prize had been awarded by the Executive Committee to Dr. Hannah Newton, a Wellcome Research Fellow at Cambridge. She was unfortunately unable to present her essay, on 'The Sick Child in Early Modern Europe, 1580-1720', at Manchester, as was already booked to attend another medical history conference at Lisbon. Dr. Newton had, however, agreed to give the presentation at the Society's 2014 Autumn Meeting. Provision of secretarial administrative support to the Society had been erratic during the year, but a new policy had been agreed by the Executive Committee, that the hosts of the Autumn Meeting should also provide general secretarial support during the year preceding it.

#### 6. Hon. Treasurer's Report

The Hon. Treasurer summarised the Society's budget, expenditure and balances during 2012-13. It remained comfortably in profit, with a current account balance of £5,724.01 as of 30 August 2013.

#### 7. Future Meetings

##### a) Spring Meeting, Birmingham, 9 April 2014

This would be held following the Seniors' Meeting at the Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health's Annual Conference at Birmingham's National Exhibition Centre (NEC). The official deadline for abstracts would be Friday 2 December 2013.

b) Autumn Meeting, Norwich, 5-6 September 2014

The Autumn Meeting would be hosted at Norwich by the Hon. Treasurer, with a hotel in the City Centre being booked for both venue and accommodation. Professor Mark Gardiner had offered to host the 2015 Autumn Meeting in Oxford.

8. Any Other Business

No other business was reported, and the meeting closed at 1400.

Nick Baldwin

Hon. Secretary

11 September 2013