



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 3 March 2021 at 7.00 pm via Zoom

1. Present

Sally Bromley (Chair), Mark Jennings (Vice-Chair) Martin Cowell, Pen Keyte (Secretary) Steve Duhan (Treasurer) Jocelyn Hartland-Swann, Alison Pegrum, Paul Latham, Tony and Sheila Russell, Malcolm and Wendy Benson, Richard and Rachel Hawes, Diana Townsend, Paul and Julie Mayhew-Archer, Mark and Sarah Wilson, Mike Greenwood, Kit Marriott, Lizzie Maisels and Jesmond Blumenfeld, Ros McLeod-Tims, Peter Thompson, Ann Rea, Robin Dean and Judy Hammond, Roy and Helen Hamlet, Rosemary Phillimore Sue Bates, Wini Brown, Helen Mattinson, Alison Butt, Jonathan Bromley, Jeremy and Hanne Starling, Philip and Vanessa Collett, Nick Wrigley Helena and Mike Harper, Carys Redmond, Jenyth Worsley, Anne Cowell, Paul and Ros Swadling, Carolyn Tasker, Jill James, Stephen and Pippa.

2. Apologies

Helen Adams, Stephen Jones, Penny Curl, Sheila Hutchings, Jo Bromley, Norman Clive Hallett.

3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020

The minutes were approved.

4. Adoption of Chair's Report

Chair reported on the strange Covid year where all activities were held online, thanks to Jonathan's expertise in helping us all to Zoom. She expressed concern that some branch members might feel loneliness and isolation as a result of lockdown restrictions, and asked that anyone who wished to, should make phone a Committee member for a chat. Finally sally expressed her sadness that this would be her last report as Chair, since she was stepping down after 6 years.

5. Adoption of Financial Report

Treasurer reported that despite covid restrictions, the branch received £33,463 which allowed the Branch to provide respite care, voice and exercise classes, and regular meetings via Zoom. The Branch donated £45,000 to PUK to support the charity during the crisis.

6. Report from the Working Age Group (OxWAG)

Alison Butt reported on the activities of the Working Age Group, which has between 10 and 15 members, and met in January, February and March, before lockdown. They heard talks on sleep and fatigue DBS, singing/nutrition, and planned pilates exercise classes. Alison paid special tribute to Ashley Lisle and Laura Tilt, who originally founded the group.

7. Election of the Committee for 2021-2022

Clare Ambrose of Parkinson's UK took the Chair for these elections.

Position	Candidate	Proposer	Second
Chair	Mark Jennings	Sally Bromley	Kit Marriott
Vice Chair	Martin Cowell	Mark Jennings	Ian Sargent
Secretary	Pen Keyte	Martin Cowell	Sally Bromley
Treasurer	Stephen Duhan	Carys Redmond	Pen Keyte
Committee positions elected en-bloc			
Media and publicity	Paul Mayhew-Archer		
Fundraiser	Kit Marriott		
Research advisor	Kevin McFarthing		
Membership Secretary	Ian Sargent		
Programme secretary	Nigel Hamilton		
First Steps links	Ian Sargent		
Trips and outings	Martin Cowell		
Other Committee members	Sally Bromley, Jonathan Bromley, Sue Bates, Carys Redmond, David Salisbury, Mike Greenwood, Jenyth Worsley, Nick Wrigley		

8. Handover to the new committee

Clare Ambrose welcomed the new committee and handed the chair to Mark.

The formal meeting then closed, to be followed by a celebration of Sally as outstanding Chair of the Branch.

Note: The Chair's and Treasurer's reports are online in full at oxfordparkinsons.org.uk/archive/records