**DERBYSHIRE FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S INSTITUTES**

**DIGEST OF MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD**

**SATURDAY 2ND MARCH 2019 AT THE WINDING WHEEL, CHESTERFIELD**

**SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME BY FEDERATION CHAIRMAN:**

Jess Storer, Head of Fundraising, Sheffield Children’s Hospital and Abbie Pervin.

Townswomen’s Guild, Muriel Stonehewer and Sheila Allen, Representatives from Federations, Guest WI Clay Cross and chairman’s guest. Afternoon speaker, Jules Hudson.

**APOLOGIES FROM FORMER OFFICERS:** Shirley Aiton, Maggie Bristow, Annie Gidlow, Daphne Irvine, Jane Latham and Olive Milnes.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING:** having been previously circulated the minutes of the Autumn Federation Meeting held on Saturday 20th October 2018 at Trent College, Long Eaton, were approved and signed by Chrissie Booth, Federation Chairman.

**MATTER ARISING:** There were no matters arising.

**ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Proposed from the Chair and seconded by Delegates.

**ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT:** Proposed from the Chair and approved by Delegates.

**CHAIRMAN’S ADDRESS:** Chrissie Booth – Gave a warm welcome and gave an overview of our centenary year.

**PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Anne Bellamy Hon. Treasurer presented the 2017/2018 Financial Statement. Anne gave an overview of the financial summary which was enclosed with the Delegates Pack for the year ending 31st October 2018, she reiterated that any member who may want to see the accounts can make an appointment to view them at Derbyshire House.

Hon. Treasurer Anne Bellamy proposed the adoption of the Financial Statement up to 31st October 2018, seconded by Baslow WI and approved.

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS for 2017/2018:** Johnson Tidsall Accountants were proposed by Honorary Treasurer Anne Bellamy and seconded by Beighton WI.

**ONLINE BANKING:** Anne Bellamy – Spoke about Derbyshire Federation has now started using online banking.

**MORNING SPEAKER:** Jess Storer and Abbie Pervin, Head of Fundraising Sheffield Children Hospital. They spoke about how the WI could help raise funds for new wards, waiting room and a helipad.

Thanks to speaker by Sheila Berry.

**LIZ MANGLE, MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT COMMITTEE: presentation of Membership Trophy**

+ 40 members – Chesterfield Town WI

39 and less – Cromford WI

**DIANE SMILES, PUBLIC AFFAIRS & INTERNATIONAL:** Diane explain that the charity they are supporting this year will be” Young Carers” they are asking for items to fill the children’s wish list e.g. pens, pencils, crayons etc. please bring your items to the Autumn Federation Meeting in October.

**TRUSTEES CHALLENGE 2018: Pam Stoddart, Chairman Nottinghamshire Fed**

Announced winners:

Highly commended – Breaston Belles WI and Charlesworth WI

Winner – Risley WI

**TRUSTEES CHALLENGE 2019:** Chrissie Booth explained the challenge for 2019

**FLORAL ARRANGEMENT THANKS:** Chrissie Booth thanked Ashover WI for the wonderful floral arrangements on the stage today. League of Ladies WI volunteered at the Autumn Federation Meeting to do the flowers in October 2019 at the Riverside Centre and Chrissie requested a volunteer WI to do them for the Annual Council Meeting in 2020 at the Winding Wheel, which Pilsley WI kindly volunteered to do.

**MORNING SESSION CLOSING REMARKS:** REMINDERS

**AFTERNOON SESSION:** Welcome back by Federation Chairman to all attendees

**PRESENTATION OF HOME ECONOMICS DOROTHY HARTLEY COMPETITION: 3 Shortbread Fingers** was introduced by the Judge, Nancy Hawksworth and the winners were:

1st place – Julie Waterfall – Pentrich WI

2nd place – Jackie Coxhead – Pentrich WI

3rd place – Valeria Siddons – Little Eaton WI

**PENNIES FOR FRIENDSHIP:** Sam Hall – from 87 WIs they have collected £5,047 today in addition there is £6,000 in the account raised though out the year.

**DENMAN DIP:** drawn by Jules Hudson and announced by Chairman as below:

Judith Coker – Baslow WI

Rosemary Hall – Fritchley with Crich WI

Winners will both receive £160 each

**DRAW FOR BURSARIES:** by Jules Hudson

County – Matlock WI

Dorothy Cox – Duffield Evening WI

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNIVERSAY CERTIFICATES:** Chrissie Booth

50 years Littleover

75 years Riddings

 Killamarsh

100 years Baslow

 Beeley

Kirk Langley

Youlgrave

**RAFFLE DRAW:** The winning raffle numbers were announced by Chairman Chrissie Booth, and the prizes were collected after the meeting.

**INTRODUCTION OF MAIN SPEAKER BY FEDERATION CHAIRMAN**

**Jules Hudson:** He gave a summary of his life as an archaeologist at University to now being a presenter and producer. He took a few questions from members.

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEE FOR 2019-2020** by Federation Secretary

**THANKS, AND FINAL REMARKS**

Thanks to Chief StewardsBarbara Barlow and Heather Vickers and members from Doe Lea & Rowthorne,

Dronfield and Tupton WIs who have acted as Stewards today.

Thanks to Show and Catering committee for setting up.

Thanks to the Catering Committee for the lovely lunch in hospitality suite.

Thanks to The Winding Wheel staff.

Thanks to Roy Thompson, Home2Home removals.

Our very own staff Arlene, Alyson, Chris, Helen, Jo and Robinwho all work very hard at

Derbyshire House.

Our Autumn Federation Meeting will be at the Riverside Centre, Pride Park, Derby

on Tuesday 1st October 2019 with guest speakers the Rt Revd Libby Lane and Janet Street Porter.

The stewards for the Autumn Federation meeting will be from Breaston, Newhall & District

and Risley WI.

Vote of thanks to the Chairman, Chrissie Booth from the Vice Chairman’s Diane McHarg and

Shelia Berry, by a rhyme for each letter of Chrissie name.

**SURPRISE ACT:** League of Ladies choir.

**CLOSE OF MEETING**