

**Minutes of the 30th Annual General Meeting of  
The Friends of the Royal West of England Academy**

Charity No. 1107149

Held on Tuesday, 22 November 2022, at 6 pm in the Main Gallery, RWA.

***Friends in Attendance:***

*Diana Bingham, Jane Boot, Christine Bowles (Trips & Visits), Tim Bowly, Angie Broome, Christine Case, Mary-Jane Cembrowicz, Victoria Clothier, Jayne Farleigh, Hillary Gallery (Minutes Secretary, Trips & Visits), Angus Gregson, Barbara Henderson (Chair of Trips & Visits), Christine Higgott, Simon Holmes, Janet Howard, Anne Jewell (Hon. Secretary), Gordon Lewis (Exhibitions), Elizabeth McNess Fishman, Mina Malpass, Hemali Modha, Marilyn Morris, Andrew Nixon (Chair, Social Media), Timothy Nixon, Stephen Noreiko (Hon. Treasurer), Marilyn Osborn, Anthea Page, Sue Perrin, Sue Quirk (Social Media), Sue Rees-Oliver, Philippa Shelton (Vice-Chair, Membership), Judith Sluglett, Laurel Smart (Talks), Janet Taylor (Trips & Visits), Patricia Triggs (Trips & Visits), Liz Wainwright, Valerie Welham, Mary Wells, Tom Wells.*

***Associates & Guests in Attendance:***

*Alison Bevan (Director of the RWA).*

***Friends submitting postal votes:*** *Jan Bond, Tim Richard Bowly, Richard Davies, Rita Dee, Charles Drown, Mary Drown, Jilly Edwards, Ivan Jackson, Gillian Mary Mowforth, Anna Nixon, Maureen Nixon, James Patrick, Jennifer Pepler, Sue West.*

**Please note:** Approximately 4 attendees did not have their names recorded.

1. **Apologies:** Ann Farthing, Ann Fawcett, Lyn Harradine, Vicky Wilson.
2. **Minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM 2021:** No amendments were received.  
Acceptance was AGREED.  
[Attendees 17 For; Online: 14 For, 2 Abstentions]
3. **Matters Arising (of which due notice has been given):**  
There were no Matters Arising.
4. **Chair's Report:** ADOPTED  
[Attendees: 30 For; Online: 15 For, 1 Abstention)  
Andrew Nixon congratulated Alison Bevan and the RWA team, and, in particular, Nicola Prosser (RWA Director of Operations), for their hard work over the last few years.  
He stressed the good relations between the FRWA and the RWA and the important role of Grace Hannell (RWA Relationship Manager).
5. **Treasurer's Report:** ADOPTED  
[Attendees: 26 For; Online: 14 For, 2 Abstentions]

6. **Trustees' Report and Accounts Year ended December 2020**  
ADOPTED  
[Attendees: 26 For; Online: 14 For, 2 Abstentions)]
7. **Adoption of Reports:** ADOPTED  
These reports were included in the Chair's Report (item 4)
8. **Appointment of Independent Examiner:**  
The re-appointment of David Wells was APPROVED.  
[Attendees: 32 For; Online: 15 For, 1 Abstention]  
  
***Hand over to temporary Chair (Alison Bevan, Director of RWA) for elections:***  
  
Alison Bevan thanked the previous Chair, Jane Boot, for her help and support over the previous difficult years. She also thanked the FRWA and the current Chair, Andrew Nixon, for their continuing and important support for the RWA.
9. **a) Chair: Andrew Nixon** APPROVED  
(Proposed Jane Boot, Seconded Stephen Noreiko)  
[Attendees: 37 For; Online: 16 For]
- b) Vice-Chair: Sue Quirk** APPROVED  
(Proposed Andrew Nixon, Seconded Jane Boot)  
[Attendees: 37 For; Online: 16 For]
- c) Hon. Secretary, Anne Jewell** APPROVED  
(Proposed Sue Quirk, Seconded Laurel Smart)  
[Attendees: 36 For; Online: 15 For, 1 Abstention]
- d) Hon. Treasurer, Stephen Noreiko** APPROVED  
(Proposed Laurel Smart, Seconded Sue Quirk)  
[Attendees: 38 For; Online: 16 For]
10. **Election of Committee (Ordinary Members):** APPROVED  
**Jane Boot** (Exhibitions), **Barbara Henderson**, **Gordon Lewis** (Exhibitions), **Laurel Smart** (Talks, Social Media), **Patricia Triggs** (Trips & Visits)  
(Proposed Andrew Nixon, Seconded Stephen Noreiko)  
[Attendees: 37 For; Online: 15 For, 1 Abstention]

***Meeting handed back to the Chair, Andrew Nixon***

11. **Any Other Business**  
There is space on the FRWA Committee for new members.

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm.