

Frodsham & District Photographic Society



Committee Meeting Minutes, 25th March 2022

Attendees	Chair	Liz Kenny
	Treasurer	Brian Lunt (joined part way through)
	Webmaster	Andrew Williams
	Programme Secretary	Ian Stanley
	Members Evenings	Marie Aldridge
	External Coordinator	Tec Evans

Apologies Secretary Miriam Manners

Date & Time: Friday 25/03/22 via zoom 14:00

Chair Liz Kenny opened the meeting 14:05

Minutes of the meeting on 22nd Feb agreed as correct

PRIORITIES

LK asked that in spite of the agenda we make the following priority issues for discussion.

- AGM Agenda
- Society Rules Amendments
- Talk to the members at the AGM

These items were added to the agenda. Details below.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MM has asked again that all officers and members of the committee review their "Duties" document. They should bring this up-to-date to include changes, covid, etc. and make it pertinent to the situation now in 2022. If members don't have such a document for their role they should create one. Please can everyone send the updated duties documents back to the secretary ASAP. **Action EVERYONE**
IS to send his Duties document to Marie/Tec as a template for them to create their own. **Action IS**

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COMPETITIONS REPORT

The competition rules were discussed. No changes will be made to the rules for the current season, the changes will only apply from next season. LK showed the proposed changes which were accepted by the committee. Briefly ..

- Number of entries to be reduced from 5 to 4
- Images submitted will now have to have been taken either this season or sometime within the last two seasons, with some exceptions regarding textures on composite images
- The POY will now be based on commended images and calculated on aggregate scores and not averages
- There will be no minimum number of competitions to qualify anymore

EXTERNAL REPORT

Marsden Cup - takes place on Monday

Two-way with Mid-Cheshire - results were not published on the web site. LK said this was because some people had scored very badly. The results will be circulated but only to the committee and not published online.

Summer Events - Tec listed the summer events he has organised ..

- Oulton Park (Andy Finlay), 28th April, 9:00. Free
- West Kirby Wilson Trophy (**BL**), 6th May 13:00
- Clemeley House Gardens (**LK**), 3rd July 13:00-17:00 £6
- Ashton Grange (**LK**), 17th July 12:00-16:00
- Marston Photoshoot (**MM & IS & Lynda Haney**), flexible but sometime in July
- Solgado Exhibition (Manchester Science Museum, **LK**). May-Aug. Free
- Dutton Flashes (**MA**). 2 hours duration, before lunch. Date TBD
- Victoria Baths (**AW**)
- Formby Sands to see the White Satin Moths (**AW**) mid-June

LK informed us of the Vivian Maier Exhibition in Milton Keynes. She will tell members about it as they may be able to incorporate a visit into their summer travels.

MEMBERS EVENINGS

The committee agreed that we should reduce the scope of LichtVast evenings, maybe making this a half-evening in the programme and limiting both sides to a specified number of images, suggestion was 40 images.

LK thought that we should leave room in the programme for things like "Flat lay", Macro, Old-style slideshow or modelling evening.

Action IS

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PROGRAMME REPORT

The latest draft of the programme was shared on screen. **IS** to send this out later.

The committee generally agreed that the September Welcome meeting should be face-to-face even though not happening on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Action IS to programme

Action BL/MM to book the evening with the Community Centre.

Liaise with Ellesmere Port PS and see if they can host our special event on the 4th Monday in September. **Action TE**

WEBMASTER REPORT

The FORUM has been removed from the main page on the web site. It's still available from the menu.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No change in our financial position.

BL is working on an Asset Register that he will present at the AGM with the draft accounts.

Some items on this register will be scrapped and/or sold off. Examples are the old computer, mouses, pointer, Optimo projector. Other items were debated and will be kept, eg. old projector, second screen, flash units.

SOCIETY RULES

LK proposed a number of changes to the society rules. These were discussed at length and agreed by all. We'll have a Yes/No vote to approve all the changes at the AGM but will issue an updated document to members beforehand. **Action LK**

John Hughes has indicated that he wishes to step back from his position as Vice President. In fact there is no mention of any such position in the society rules so we will leave that position vacant and say no more about it.

The society rules say that the Honorary President is appointed for two years but that this position can be extended. The secretary will confirm with Hazel to see if she wishes to extend her office. **Action MM**

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AGM AGENDA

LK showed a draft agenda that she proposed to put before the members at the AGM. This was generally agreed by the rest of the committee.

IS to present the Programme Secretary's report

Action IS

AOB

The Summer Photo Course (Ian Turpin) was discussed. We will let this go for now but possibly we may offer some level of society membership to any advanced level pupils who complete Ian Turpin's course.

Action LK

There would appear to be a need for someone to take ownership of our advertising and social media, facebook etc.. No-one on the committee feels able to take on this role at present. We will invite members to think about it. One possibility is Magda.

Action LK

There are still issues outstanding from previous committee meetings which require discussion and debate. All other business is being carried over to the next meeting.

Action MM

The next meeting will be via zoom **Wednesday 6th April at 14:00**

Meeting closed at 16:35