

**MUDIAD CLYBIAU FFERMWYR IEUAINC MALDWYN**  
**MONTGOMERY FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS**

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on Thursday 23rd September 2010, at Plas Dolerw, Newtown at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Roland Davies, Chairman along with 32 members.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Lorraine Stokes (YFC County Organiser), David Jones (NFU representative), Jean Garner (PAVO Volunteering Officer) and Claire Owen (Menter Maldwyn).

**CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everybody to the first Executive Committee meeting of the 2010-2011 YFC year. He introduced the new County Officials and those who are new to the Executive Committee.

Roland congratulated the Federation on the achievements over the busy summer and since the start of the new YFC year which included The Royal Welsh Show, County AGM, Chairman's Ball in Berriew and a successful County Quiz, Club Officials Training evening and Stockjudging training sessions.

Clubs were then encouraged to be vocal and to ensure that their view could be taken into consideration at these meetings.

The committee were requested to turn off their mobile phones and Claire was introduced from Menter Maldwyn so that people were aware of the translation facilities to hand if required.

**E/01/10/11 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Paul Phillips (Vice President), Richard Mountford, Wil Gethin, Llewela Richards, Andrew Gethin, John Davies, Richard Evans (Vice President), Nerys Fychan, Ffion Jones, Kathryn Savage, Danielle Evans and Catherine Rowlands.

**E/02/10/11 I GADARNHAU COFNODION O'R CYFARFOD DIWETHAF / TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Helen Morgan proposed that the Minutes of the previous meeting were a true and correct record. This was seconded by Sonya Wedge. The minutes were signed by the County Chairman.

**E/03/10/11 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**E/04/10/11 CORRESPONDENCE**

- A Certificate of thanks had been received from the Wales Air Ambulance for the £ 7124.83 raised by the Severn Challenge. The committee congratulated all those involved by applause.
- An e-mail had been received on behalf of Newtown Town Council to ask if the YFC would be interested in taking part in a 'Santa Parade' on Saturday 27th November. They would like as many floats as possible on the day. The committee agreed that this would be a good event at which to raise the profile of the YFC movement and advised that information regarding the parade should be sent to the clubs surrounding the Newtown area to give them the option of taking part. Gerallt Evans raised the issue about insurance, however Lorraine had looked into this and the NFU details of Insurance cover state that "Floats are subject to warranties which must be complied with if cover is to be operative". There is an appendix which lists the warranties and it was advised by the committee that this list could be distributed to the clubs along with the parade information.
- On a similar subject, the Office has been approached by Charles Frost on behalf of Mid Wales Carnivals to ask if the Federation agrees with the principle of being

involved with the Mid Wales Carnivals? The committee had no objections, so long as clubs involved were made aware of the insurance guidelines. Some members stated that they already do get involved with their local carnivals.

- NFYFC had distributed questionnaires regarding the Farm Business Development Competition. The committee were asked if there had been much involvement with this competition in the past and if any information could be brought forward to help complete the questionnaire. The members of the Executive Committee were unaware of this competition.
- Mid and North Wales County Council are running a 'CHEFS project', providing a free course in 'An introduction to Cookery L1 OCN'. They are looking for a group of 10-12 young people to take part.  
It was agreed that this was a good opportunity and information should be sent to clubs to promote the project and obtain names of members interested in taking up the offer.
- An e-mail had been received from Henk Jan Kuipers who is the Rural Housing Enabler (RHE) for Montgomeryshire. He expressed that he would like to opportunity to be introduced to the YFC members to discuss the housing need for young people and to give information about affordable housing. The committee decided that it would be good to invite him along to the next Executive meeting to give his presentation as the issue is an area of concern, particularly for older YFC members.
- Lorraine informed the committee that she had received a Judges list from Wales YFC and requested that if anyone had any ideas of good judges to put forward to them to please inform the office.

#### **E/05/10/11 ACCREDITATION**

As part of the Service Level Agreement that we have with Powys County Council, the Federation is required to provide a means of accreditation for the members. The F&D committee have looked into options and have shown an interest in the Millennium Volunteers Scheme. In order to provide more insight into this scheme, Jean Garner, PAVO Volunteering Officer was invited to speak on the subject and how the YFC could benefit from the scheme.

The scheme involves no costs to the Federation. It is currently available for members aged 16-25, although PAVO are looking into extending the age bracket to include people from the age of 13. The scheme is to encourage and acknowledge the volunteering efforts of young people. YFC provides a vast opportunity as many members can account for the numerous hours that they put in helping at club or county level. Accreditation will benefit these young people as points can be submitted on UCAS applications and the certificates will boost their CV content. Jean explained the two options that were available to obtain the accreditation certificates:

**Option 1:** Montgomery YFC could obtain the accredited certificates for volunteers through the Powys Volunteering Centre.

**Option 2:** Montgomery YFC could become a delivery partner. Funding is available for this option.

The committee were in agreement with the principle that this scheme should be implemented and the decision was made to take the matter back to the F&D Committee in order to define which route should be taken as to the delivery of the scheme.

Roland thanked Jean for her attendance and her informative participation in the meeting. Jean expressed that she would be very willing to help with any further questions that may arise with future developments.

#### **E/06/10/11 WALES YFC EISTEDDFOD SPONSORSHIP**

Roland welcomed David Jones from the NFU to the meeting and explained that David had kindly attended in order to present a cheque to the Federation to sponsor the awards that will be presented to the winning competitors at the

Wales YFC Eisteddfod, which is being hosted by Montgomery YFC in the Great Hall, Aberystwyth on Saturday 20th November this year. Roland invited David Jones and Fflur Pughe (Wales YFC Eisteddfod Chairman) to the front of the Committee to present and receive the cheque for £200. David expressed that the NFU were very happy to support the Young Farmers and wished the county well in hosting the 2010 Eisteddfod.

**E/07/10/11 AELODAU CYFETHOL O BWYLLGOR GWAITH 2010 - 2011 / CO-OPTED MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE 2010 - 2011**

The Chairman reminded the committee of the Co-opted members from the previous year:

Powys County Council Representative, Roland Davies, County Vice Chairman, Katy Watkin, Members Treasurer, Nicola Walker, Immediate Past County Chairman, Teresa Isaac, Senior Trustee, Gerallt Evans, Publicity Officer, Cetherine Bennett, Youth Forum Chairman, Sonya Wedge, Discovery Chairman, Stephen Francis, Activities Chairman, Richard Mountford, Rural Affairs Chairman, David Oliver, Eisteddfod Chairman, Rob Brymer-Griffiths, Rally Chairman, Jonathan Pryce, Rhiannon Rees, Marc Savage, Helen Roberts.

The committee were then informed that due to restructuring within the Youth Service, commitments have had to be rearranged at Senior Area Youth Officer level (i.e. Jeff Johnson). The responsibility of attending meetings was reviewed and it was passed that Jeff no longer has to the obligation of attending the Board of Management or Executive Committee meetings for Montgomery YFC, although he would be willing to attend on request.

It was agreed that the people currently holding the following positions should automatically be Co-opted onto the Executive Committee for the 2010/11 YFC year:

County Vice Chairman, Members Treasurer, Immediate Past County Chairman, Senior Trustee, Publicity Officer, Youth Forum Chairman, Discovery Chairman, Activities Chairman, Rural Affairs Chairman, Eisteddfod Chairman, Rally Chairman.

Sonya Wedge proposed that the new County Official Post of 'Child Safeguarding Officer' should also be added to this list as an automatic co-option. This notion was seconded by Lynne Pritchard.

Four further names were put forward to co-opt:

Nicola Walker was proposed by Andrew Davies, seconded by Sonya Wedge.

Helen Roberts was proposed by Andrew Davies, seconded by Lynne Pritchard.

Gwynfor Thomas was proposed by Rhodri Evans, seconded by Helen Morgan.

Rhiannon Rees was proposed by Sonya Wedge, seconded by Gareth Williams.

**E/08/10/11 I DDERBYN ADRODDIADAU A ETHOL CYNRYCHIOLWYR AR... / TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND ELECT REPRESENTATIVES....**

**a) Undeb Amaethwyr Cymru / Farmers' Union of Wales - Tom Davies**

With Tom being absent from the meeting, there was no report. The Chairman requested nominations for the new representative for the 2010/11 year. Lynne Pritchard proposed Marc Jones (Berriew), this was seconded by Becky James.

**b) Cymdeithas Tirfeddianwyr y Wlad / Country Landowners Association - Richard Mountford**

Richard Mountford had sent his apologies to the meeting. The Chairman requested nominations for the new representative for the 2010/11 year. Gareth Williams proposed to re-elect Richard Mountford, which was seconded by Helen Morgan.

**c) Undeb Amaethwyr Cenedlaethol / National Farmers Union - Gareth Williams**

Gareth expressed that he had not realized that he had been elected as the representative for the NFU and therefore no report was provided. Jan Phillips stated that all committee's should be written to and informed of the newly appointed representatives and request that information is sent to these

representatives directly, with regards to when and where meetings are being held. She went on to stress that many of these committee are very good to us and often provide financial assistance. It is important that the YFC is represented more professionally. The committee strongly agreed with these comments.

Lynne Pritchard proposed to re-elect Gareth Williams as the NFU representative. Andrew Davies seconded this notion and Gareth agreed to stand.

**(d) RABI - Roland Davies**

Roland was unaware that he was the previous representative for this committee also and therefore no report was presented.

Gareth Williams proposed Gerallt Evans to be the newly appointed representative for this meeting to which Fflur Pughe seconded. Gerallt agreed to stand.

**e) Menter Maldwyn - Gerallt Evans**

Gerallt reported that since the Old College has become unavailable to hold evening meetings in, the Menter Maldwyn meetings over the past year have been held in various locations throughout the county. He has attended as many as he can, which has been about 4/5 out of 6/7. Since the resignation of David Oliver, there has been a gap in the staffing at Menter Maldwyn which they are trying to fill in partnership with the YFC. He relayed that Menter Maldwyn are happy to work with the Welsh Language and Culture Committee of the Federation. Gerallt thanked the Executives for his time on the Menter Maldwyn Committee and commented that it was an enjoyable committee to be on.

Andrew Davies proposed that the Chairman of the Welsh Language & Culture Committee should take on the responsibility of attending these meetings. The committee agreed with this notion. The AGM of this committee will take place at the first meeting which will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October at Coleg Powys, Newtown.

**f) Pwyllgor Maldwyn, Sioe Frenhinnol / Montgomery Royal Welsh Show Committee - Gary Wright**

With Gary being absent from the meeting, there was no report. The Chairman requested nominations for the new representative for the 2010/11 year. Rhodri Evans proposed Roland Davies, this was seconded by Lynne Pritchard.

**(g) Pwyllgor Sioe Sir Drefaldwyn / Montgomeryshire Show Committee - Andrew Davies**

Andrew had been unaware that he was the representative for this committee, therefore no report was presented. Emyr Jones commented that this was an interesting committee to be a part of and they do support the Federation financially, so a committed representative would be appreciated. Fflur Pughe nominated Rhodri Evans to be the new representative. This proposal was seconded by Dafydd Jones.

**h) Unrhyw gyfarfodydd eraill / Any other meetings**

No further meetings were put forward by the members present.

**E/09/10/11 I DDERBYN ADRODDIADAU / TO RECIEVE REPORTS**

**A) EISTEDDFOD Y SIR / COUNTY EISTEDDFOD - NERYS FYCHAN**

Nerys Fychan and Ffion Jones had sent their apologies to the meeting. Lorraine read out their report which informed the committee that the County Eisteddfod will be celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. The Eisteddfod committee are planning on getting special prizes for every competition winner which will consist of approximately 50 prizes. They are working on obtaining around £1000 sponsorship to cover the cost of these prizes. A grant application has also been sent to Santander to try and get money to support the Eisteddfod.

A slight amendment has been made to the rules in the Under 16 solo piece class. Wales YFC have added an additional piece that is more suitable for boys to sing. It is called "Pwy yw Sylvia" by Schubert.

**B) PWYLLGOR GWEITHGAREDDAU / ACTIVITIES - GARETH WILLIAMS**

Gareth reported that at the last meeting he was elected as Activities Chairman, although no Vice Chairman was elected. Clare Jerman was elected as the Minutes Secretary. The Activities Committee had reviewed the County Sports and elected that representatives to sit on the Wales YFC Activities and International Committee. In preparation for this meeting they discussed the issues regarding the YPV 2010. The main area of concern was found to be that the queues for the showers were too long and it was suggested to increase the number for next year. Arrangements for the County Field Day and Stockjudging were discussed. The Lamb and Dairy stockjudging will take place on Tuesday 28th September at Upper Hall Meifod and the Beef and Pig stockjudging will take place on Thursday 30th September at Crugnant, Adfa and Rhosfawr, Llanfair.

The main area of discussion was regarding the catering at the Field Day, which is being held at Welshpool Livestock Market on Sunday 3rd October. The committee aired concern as the only option of catering on site would be to use Hughes's Caterers. To counteract the costs, the committee discussed implementing entry charges for spectators and to hold a raffle.

The rules for Public Speaking were looked at and the committee chose to include all of the Wales YFC competitions. Due to the high costs of previous venues, the committee agree that it was more financially viable to hold the competitions at a primary school. The suggested choices included Trefeglwys, Abermule and Llanfair.

Argae Hall has been booked for the County Dinner on the 3rd December and letters have been sent to caterers.

Since the beginning of the year, the federation has held a successful 'Back to YFC Dance'. The dance went well, although it would have been better to have had a higher attendance. Gareth reported that the quiz was a very popular evening and finished by thanking all those who have been involved with helping at these events so far.

Roland asked the Executive Committee to suggest names of members who might be interested in taking on the role of Activities Vice Chairman as there was no interest at the last meeting by those in attendance. Anna Sylvester's name was put forward by Lynne Prichard.

The Chairman informed the Committee that since the Activities meeting on 9th September, the catering options have been looked into further. Next to the market is a field that is suitable for the fencing competition. The owner and the grazer of this field have been asked for permission regarding the fencing. They have also been asked if they wouldn't mind taking down part of the boundary fence between the field and the market so that spectators can walk through from one site to the other. The committee were asked what their opinion was on holding the catering on the fencing field adjacent to the Market as technically this was off the market site. The committee agreed that this would be a sensible option especially as last year almost £1000 was made on the catering. Lynne Pritchard offered a small Marquee and Derwena Davies offered to supply the crisps, cans of pop etc, and what we can not sell she kindly offered to take off our hands to sell in her shop.

It was questioned how the situation would be policed, i.e. how to stop people taking food and drink onto the market site. The committee agreed that stewards should be put in place to monitor the people going through the boundary fence.

**C) PWYLLGOR CYLLID A DATBLYGIAD / FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT - GERALLT EVANS**

Gerallt reported that at the last F&D meeting, the newly appointed officials were appointed as follows: Chairman, Gerallt Evans, Vice Chairman, Andrew Davies, Minute Secretary, Beth Watkin. Sonya Wedge presented her Treasurers Report and the committee discussed what duties her role should entail. Helen Morgan discussed with the committee what her duties should entail as her role as

Publicity Officer. Representatives for the Wales Training and Promotions Committee were elected and the agenda for the next meeting was discussed. The club officers training format was considered and the committee decided to review it at the next meeting and look into ways of improving training delivery. The gap in Accreditation was looked into (as discussed earlier with Jean Garner) which the committee will continue to work on. The main aims of the F&D committee for the year is to look after the clubs and keep an eye on their membership figures and accounts because if the clubs are ok the County will look after itself.

#### **D) FFORWM LEUNECTID / YOUTH FORUM - ULREKA OLIVER**

At the meeting held on the 9th September, the election of new officials took place and the following people are now in official positions: Ulreka Oliver, Chairman, Amy Owen, Vice Chairman, Heledd Owen, Minutes Secretary. The committee discussed plans for the year which mainly revolved around Fundraising. The Youth Forum plan to hold a trailer wash at Welshpool Livestock Market during the October half term and have a 'How many sweets in the jar' competition to raise money at the Field Day. Representatives for the Wales YFC Youth Forum were elected and the committee also decided on books for the Junior reading competitions at the County Public Speaking.

#### **E) PWYLLGOR 'DISCOVERY' / DISCOVERY COMMITTEE - KATHRYN SAVAGE**

Kathryn had sent her apologies to the meeting, on her behalf Andrew Davies presented the report. Andrew informed the committee that the day of departure to Kenya was nearly upon them. The 35 discovery members fly on 20th October and all members seem to be up to date with their vaccination injections. In order to raise money for the projects that they will be working on in Kenya, the committee will be hosting a 'Punch & Pudding' evening with a Promise Auction which will be held on Friday 24th September at Argae Hall from 7.30pm. The AGM of the Discovery Committee will take place on the 14th November.

#### **F) PWYLLGOR RALI / RALLY COMMITTEE - BETHAN WATKIN**

The election of the following officials took place: Chairman, Bethan Watkin, Vice Chairman, Aled Davies, Secretary, Kathy Jones, Treasurer, Dafydd Jones. Venue possibilities were discussed and the top 4 suggestions were ranked as:

1. Bronymaen, Meifod
2. Llyssun, Dyffryn Banw
3. Green Hall, Llanfyllin
4. Upper Hall, Meifod

The competitions were looked into and it was decided to keep all of the Royal Welsh Show competitions in the programme for the 2011 Rally. The next meeting will be held at Dyffryn Banw Community Centre, 7.30pm on Tuesday 23rd November.

#### **G) BOARD OF MANAGEMENT - EMYR JONES**

As mentioned previously regarding Jeff Johnson not having to attend every Board of Management and Executive meeting, it was also passed at the Wales YFC June Board of Management meeting that the Wales YFC Chief Executive (Nia Lloyd) also is no longer obliged to attend all Wales counties Board of Management meetings. The County Board of Management was disappointed with these decisions. With regards to Powys County Council, it was requested that a letter should be sent to state the disapproval of this decision as the Federation has to meet many criteria's for the Council. A representative should be in attendance of both the Board of Management meetings and Executive to understand the issues and actions effecting the movement.

The Board of Management also requested for a letter to be sent to the Wales YFC Board of Management to request that a representative attends the County

Board of Management Meetings from Wales YFC and for Nia Lloyd, Chief Executive to attend at least one meeting during the year.

A grant application has been submitted to the Welsh Language Board to support the Welsh Language Development Officer post, in conjunction with Menter Maldwyn. The Federation will find out if the application is successful in December 2010. The Board of Management decided that this post can only be financed if 100% funding is available.

The Chairman, Roland Davies announced the election of the Board of Management Committee for 2010/2011. He reminded the committee of who was on the board last year and thanked them for their hard work.

Chairman (Last year Emyr Jones)  
County President  
County Chairman  
County Vice-Chairman  
Past County Chairman  
External outside rep. (Last year Chris Lloyd, Rees Roberts)  
Wales YFC Chief Executive  
Powys County Council Rep.

The Executive Committee agreed to re-elect all of the above.

#### **COUNTY CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE - ROLAND DAVIES**

Roland informed the Committee that since the last Executive meeting in June, a Corporate Sponsorship Committee had been set up and sponsorship packages had been carefully put together.

The aim of the committee is to obtain 20 x Main sponsors, who have been asked for £300 which entitles them to a half page advert in every programme and the yearbook plus a live link from the County website. Over 60 letters have been sent out to local businesses and follow up phone calls have been made. 12 companies have shown an interest, 8 have definitely said know and 50 of which we are either awaiting replies or they have decided not to commit yet.

The other aim of the committee is to obtain a Premium sponsor for the year. A letter has been sent to npower and we hope to meet with them to present a presentation that we have been working hard on. The concept is working well and it should help other committees in the long term. Currently the Eisteddfod committee is also trying to obtain sponsorship and we have tried to encourage as smooth a cross over to this new system as possible. An alternative letter has been sent to businesses that the Eisteddfod committee have already approached to offer them the new package, with a discount of what they may have donated already.

#### **G) STOCK JUDGING - GRON BUMFORD**

Gron congratulated all who took part in the Royal Welsh show. Great team effort was demonstrated in order for the county to be placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the Black Welsh Sheep, 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the Welsh Pig, 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the Dairy and 1<sup>st</sup> in the Stockjudging overall. He went on to wish Gail Lewis and Naomi George the best of luck as they go on to compete in the Nation Stockjudge and Stockman of the year competition on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of October. Intention of entry forms are to be sent to enter the Countryside Live competitions at Bingly Hall on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November. These competitions clash with the Staffordshire Stockjudging event, but never the less, the Stockjudging co-ordinators are intending to fully enter both of these events.

The number of people that attended the county Stock Judging training (that took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of September) was a bit disappointing. Gron suggested that for ext year, it might work better for clubs to organise practices and request for some of the older, experienced members to go along to them and train.

Jan Phillips informed the Committee that some people were misled by the results at the Royal Welsh Show and therefore had failed to be present to collect their winning trophies. She explained that the top 3 competitors were listed (in no particular order) to entice all three members to be present at the prize giving ceremony. She offered to take the comments back to Wales YFC that were expressed by the committee that the format should be made more obvious to competitors.

#### **H) WALES YFC EISTEDDFOD - FFLUR PUGHE**

The meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> September was the last before the Eisteddfod takes place. Arrangements are going well. Fflur Pughe had been to meet S4C and Radio Cymru at the Great Hall to discuss about the possibility of broadcasting the event live or showing the highlights. An additional set piece has been added for the Under 16's set piece. An amended program is available to download from the website. The Chair is almost finished, the leather has been varnished. Fflur expressed thanks to Emyr and Maggie Jones for sponsoring the chair and also thanked the FUW and NFU for their donations. She reminded the Executive Committee that the Wales Eisteddfod will be requiring 60-70 stewards and if anyone was willing to offer their help, she would be very grateful. Posters have been printed and are ready available to put around the county to publicise the event. Fflur encouraged the committee to attend by reminding them that Bronwen Harding is the Wales YFC Eisteddfod President and she would be very happy to see lots of Montgomery faces in the audience.

#### **I) WALES YFC AGM - ROLAND DAVIES**

Roland reported that the events were good although attendance levels were lower than anticipated. The AGM saw Tim John retiring as Wales YFC Chairman and succeeding in his place Enfys Evans (Ceridigion) was elected. Dylan Jones from Carmarthenshire was elected as Vice Chairman. Nigel Owens was re-elected as the President. It was reported that the Chairman's 'Challenge Tim' project had raised a total of £21, 346 in aid of Kidney Wales. This year Enfys has chosen MIND Cymru as her charity of choice to raise awareness of rural health and wellbeing. Roland finished his report by urging clubs to bear this charity in mind when fundraising over the next year.

Andrew Davies proposed the adoption of the reports which was seconded by Rhodri Evans.

#### **E/10/10/11 YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE**

Nominations for Year Book Editorial committee members were collated on the Nomination forms for County Officials at the end of last year. Only 2 names were put forward:

David Woosnam (Tregynon)  
Catherine Bennett (Vyrnwy Valley) (both nominated by Tregynon)

Roland asked the committee to put forward any further nominations for this committee.

It was noted that Helen Morgan will automatically be chief editor as this is part of her Publicity Officer role. Fflur Pughe proposed Nerys Fychan as an additional committee member. Andrew Davies seconded this proposal and also proposed Kathryn Savage. This proposal was seconded by Gareth Williams.

#### **E/11/10/11 TO DISCUSS THE WALES AND NATIONAL COUNCIL AGENDAS**

No matters were brought forward for discussion.

**E/12/10/11 TO ELECT WALES YFC SUB COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

The representatives for most of the Wales YFC sub committees had already been elected in the County Sub Committee meetings.

The Chairman requested for nominations to be brought forward for representatives to sit on the Wales YFC Eisteddfod Committee. The following names were given:

Fflur Pughe, proposed by Andrew Davies, seconded by Helen Morgan.

Beth Watkin, proposed by Lynne Pritchard, seconded by Ulreka Oliver.

Angharad Richards, proposed by Derwena Davies, seconded by Ruth Jones.

**E/12/10/11 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES AND ELECT TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR 2010/ 2011.**

Teresa Isaac reported that only 4 applications had been made to the trust fund over the last year to fund club shirts and training. One application was refused as the trust does not support competition or travel expenses. Teresa requested for more information about the Trust Fund to be put onto the website and reminded the committee that the signatories for the cheque book will need to be updated as soon as possible.

Roland thanked Teresa for her report and thanked her for her valued input over the last 3 years.

Due to Teresa's retirement (as Trustee's are to be changed every 3 years), the committee were asked to nominate an additional Trustee to join Catherine Fairclough and Nicola Walker.

Gareth Williams proposed Gary Wright, which was seconded by Andrew Davies.

The committee felt that it would be better to have someone from a different area to get a more varied representation of the county. Maggie Jones was proposed by Derwena Davies, seconded by Rhodi Evans. The Executive Committee approved this decision.

**E/13/10/11 CLUB TWINNING**

The draw was made for club twinning for the new YFC year. The results were as follows:

BERRIEW - LLANGURIG - BRO DDYFI  
LLANFYLLIN - FOUR CROSSES  
ABERMULE - TREFEGLWYS  
VYRNWY VALLEY - TREGYNON  
LLANFAIR CAEREINION - ABERHAFESP  
SARN - CARADOG  
DOLFOR - DYFFRYN TANAT  
GUILSFIELD - LLANBRYNMAIR & CARNO  
LLIDIARTYWAEN - DYFFRYN BANW

Jan Phillips recommended that Vice Presidents should be given a group of clubs to encourage them to take part in club twinning activities. The committee agreed that this would be beneficial.

**E/14/10/11 UNRHYW FATER ARALL / ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Lorraine announced that the YFC office is due an Estyn inspection over the coming months (expected to happen in February). Part of the assessment will involve providing evidence of the activities that clubs and members are involved with. Lorraine asked the committee what their thoughts were on the idea of incorporating a 'compulsory' Scrap Book competition in addition to the public speaking classes at the competition day.

The committee felt that there is a lot of work that goes into a scrap book and not all clubs would have the evidence from the last year, therefore it would not be a fair concept. Emyr suggested speaking to Nia about the last inspection 5years ago to find out what evidence was required then.

Roland wished all members luck in the approaching Field Day and Stockjudging competitions and reminded everyone to get a picture in their new membership cards before competing.

The meeting was declared closed at 10.05pm.

Signed: ..... Dated: .....