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Dear Fellow

Annual General Meeting, 19 May 2021

The Learned Society of Wales Annual General Meeting will take place at 2.30pm on Wednesday 19th May 2021.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the AGM will be conducted remotely via Zoom. Please [register for the AGM here](#).

If you need any assistance in setting up Zoom, please contact me at akirk@lsw.wales.ac.uk.

[To view the Agenda and Papers for the meeting, please click here.](#)

If you are unable to attend the AGM and would like to vote by proxy, please click the link below to complete your Proxy form by 4.00pm on Monday 17 May.

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Yours Sincerely

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Annwyl Gymrawd

Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol, 19 Mai 2021

Cynhelir Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol Cymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru dydd Mercher, 19 Mai 2021 am 2.30pm.

Oherwydd pandemig Covid-19 cynhelir y cyfarfod drwy Zoom. Cofrestrwch [yma ar gyfer y cyfarfod cyffredinol blynyddol](#).

Os oes angen unrhyw gymorth arnoch chi i sefydlu Zoom, cysylltwch â fi: akirk@lsw.wales.ac.uk.

[I weld yr Agenda a Phapurau'r cyfarfod, cliciwch yma](#).

Os na allwch chi ddod i'r Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol ond yn dymuno pleidleisio drwy brocsi, cliciwch y ddolen isod i gwblhau eich ffurflen Procsi erbyn 4.00pm ddydd Llun 17 Mai.

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Annual General Meeting / Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol

19 May/Mai 2021, 14.30 – 16.30

Agenda

1	Welcome and Introduction Professor Hywel Thomas, President Tribute to past Fellows	Croeso a Chyflwyniad Yr Athro Hywel Thomas, Llywydd Teyrnged i Gymrodyr y gorffennol	oral / ar lafar
2	Apologies for absence	Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb	oral / ar lafar
3	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 20 May 2020	Cofnodion y Cyfarfod Blynyddol Cyffredinol a gynhaliwyd ar 20 Mai 2020	attached) (ynghlwm)
4	Governance Matters (a) 2019/20 Annual Report and Accounts and Appointment of Independent Examiners Professor Keith Smith, Treasurer (b) Officers, Council and Committees: Outgoing and new members Professor Alan Shore, General Secretary	Materion Llywodraethol (a) Adroddiad Blynyddol a Chyfrifon 2019/20 a Penodi Arholwyr Annibynnol Yr Athro Keith Smith, Trysorydd (b) Swyddogion, Cyngor a Phwyllgorau: Aelodau sydd wedi gadael ac aelodau newydd Yr Athro Alan Shore, Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol	AGM/2021/01 CCB/2021/01 AGM/2021/02 CCB/2021/02
5	Highlights of the Year Martin Pollard, Chief Executive Dr Sarah Morse, Policy and Public Affairs Manager	Uchafbwyntiau'r flwyddyn Martin Pollard, Prif Weithredwr Dr Sarah Morse, Rheolwr Polisi a Materion Cyhoeddus	oral / ar lafar
6	Honours, Prizes and Awards Announcement of Medal winners and Fellows' achievements Professor Hywel Thomas, President	Anrhydeddau, Gwobrau a dyfarniadau Cyhoeddi enillwyr Medalau a chyflawniadau Cymrodyr Yr Athro Hywel Thomas, Llywydd	AGM/2021/03 CCB/2021/03
7	Introduction to Honorary Fellows Professor Helen Fulton, Vice-President for Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	Cyflwyniad i Gymrodyr Anrhydeddus Yr Athro Helen Fulton, Is-Lywydd – Dyniaethau, Celfyddydau a Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol	AGM/2021/04 CCB/2021/04

8	Announcement of New Fellows, 2020/21 Professor Michael Charlton, Vice-President for Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine	Cyhoeddi Cymrodyr Newydd, 2020/21 Yr Athro Michael Charlton, Is-Lywydd – Gwyddoniaeth, Technoleg, Peirianeg, Mathemateg a Meddygaeth	AGM/2021/04 CCB/2021/04
9	President's Annual Address	Anerchiad Blynyddol gan y Llywydd	oral / ar lafar
10	Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 25 May 2022	Dyddiad y Cyfarfod nesaf Dydd Mercher 25 Mai 2022	oral / ar lafar



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COFNODION DEG FED CYFARFOD CYFFREDINOL BLYNYDDOL Y GYMDEITHAS A GYNHALIWYD TRWY GYNHADLEDD FIDEO AR DDYDD MERCHER, 20 MAI 2020

Presennol:

Syr Emyr Jones Parry	<i>(Llywydd)</i>	Yr Athro Paul O'Leary
Yr Athro David Boucher	<i>(Is-Lywydd)</i>	Yr Athro John O'Reilly
Yr Athro Michael Charlton	<i>(Is-Lywydd)</i>	Yr Athro Ann Parry Owen
Yr Athro Keith Smith	<i>(Trysorydd)</i>	Yr Athro Carole Pateman
Yr Athro Alan Shore	<i>(Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol)</i>	Ms Maxine Penlington
		Yr Athro Keith Peters
		Yr Athro Duc Pham
Yr Athro Gert Aarts	Yr Athro Simon Hands	Yr Athro Ceri Phillips
Mr Jonathan Adams	Yr Athro Alma Harris	Yr Athro Judith Phillips
Yr Athro Peter Atkinson	Yr Athro Trevor Herbert	Yr Athro Tim Phillips
Yr Athro Roger Awan-Scully	Yr Athro Glyn Hewinson	Yr Athro John Pickett
Y Fonesig Jocelyn Bell Burnell	Yr Athro Julian Hopkins	Yr Athro Ryszard Piotrowicz
Yr Athro Kirsti Bohata	Yr Athro Colin Hughes	Yr Athro Timothy Porter
Yr Athro Gillian Bristow	Yr Athro Ieuan Hughes	Yr Athro Julian Preece
Yr Athro David Brooksbank	Yr Athro Ifan Hughes	Yr Athro David Ian Rabey
Yr Athro Malcolm Brown	Dr E John Hughes	Yr Athro Geoff Richards
Yr Athro Tony Brown	Yr Athro Rob Humphreys	Yr Athro David Ritchie
Yr Athro Nickie Charles	Yr Athro Christine James	Yr Athro Gareth Roberts
Yr Athro Lisa Collins	Yr Athro E. Wyn James	Yr Athro Julian Sampson
Yr Athro Tom Crick	Yr Athro Matthew Jarvis	Yr Athro Karl Michael Schmidt
Yr Athro Michael Davies	Yr Athro Angela John	Yr Athro Bernard Schutz
Yr Athro Sioned Davies	Yr Athro Mari Jones	Yr Athro Len Scott
Yr Athro Alun Davies	Yr Athro John Jones	Yr Athro Qiang Shen
Yr Athro Ceri Davies	Yr Athro Trevor Jones	Syr Paul Silk
Dr Sally Davies	Y Gwir Anrhydeddus Arglwydd David	Yr Athro Keshav Singhal
Yr Athro Richard Dinsdale	Lloyd Jones	Yr Athro Robin Stowell
Yr Athro Shareen Doak	Yr Athro Peter Knowles	Yr Athro Mark Thomas
Yr Athro Norman Doe	Yr Athro John Lazarus	Yr Athro Dame Jean Thomas
Yr Athro Christopher Evans	Yr Athro Geraint Lewis	Yr Athro Howard Thomas
Yr Athro Gareth Evans	Yr Athro Emyr Lewis	Yr Athro Terry Threadgold
Syr Malcolm Evans	Yr Athro Margaret MacMillan	Yr Athro Martyn Tranter
Yr Athro David Evans	Yr Athro Malcolm Mason	Yr Athro Elaine Treharne
Yr Athro Peter Excell	Yr Athro Donna Mead	Yr Athro Carol Tucker
Yr Athro Roger Falconer	Yr Athro Gennady Mishuris	Yr Athro John V Tucker
Dr Dylan Foster Evans	Yr Athro Faron Moller	Yr Athro Meena Upadhyaya
Yr Athro Caroline Franklin	Yr Athro W. John Morgan	Yr Athro Ian Weeks
Yr Athro Helen Fulton	Yr Athro Hilary Morgan	Yr Athro Andrew Weightman
Yr Athro Haley Gomez	Y Gwir Barchedig Barry Morgan	Yr Athro Gavin Wilkinson
Yr Athro Claire Gorrara	Yr Athro Iwan Morus	Yr Athro Catrin Williams
Yr Athro Leslie Griffiths	Yr Athro Helen Nicholson	Yr Athro John Tudno Williams
Yr Athro Alan Guwy	Dr Sue Niebrzydowski	Yr Athro Thomas Wirth
	Yr Athro Perumal Nithiarasu	

YN BRESENNOL DRWY PROCSI

Professor Russell Davies
Professor Nidal Hilal
Professor Helen Ougham

Professor Brian Randell
Dr Lynn Williams
Sir Robin Williams

Yn gweinyddu:

Mr Martin Pollard	<i>(Prif Weithredwr)</i>
Dr Sarah Morse	<i>(Uwch Swyddog Gweithredol)</i>
Mrs Amanda Kirk	<i>(Clerc y Cyngor)</i>
Mr Joe Boyle	<i>(Swyddog Cyfathrebu)</i>
Mrs Fiona Gaskell	<i>(Cynorthwyydd y Gymrodoriaeth)</i>
Ms Janice Gillian	<i>(Swyddog Cyllid)</i>
Ms Catrin Beard	<i>(Cyfieithydd)</i>

Dechreuodd y Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynnyddol am 3.30 p.m.

1. Croeso a Chyflwyniad gan Lywydd y Gymdeithas

Gwnaeth y Llywydd, Syr Emyr Jones Parry'r canlynol:

- 1.1 croesawu'r Cymrodyr oedd yn bresennol, yn benodol Cymrodyr oedd newydd eu hethol, i Ddegfed Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynnyddol y Gymdeithas, gan ddiolch iddynt am eu presenoldeb;
- 1.2 hysbysu'r Cymrodyr bod croeso iddynt annerch y cyfarfod yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg;
- 1.3 mynegi ei ddiolch i'r cyfieithydd, Catrin Beard.

Cyhoeddodd y Llywydd enillwyr medalau 2020 y Gymdeithas a llongyfarchwyd:

- Yr Athro Sally Power, enillydd Medal Hugh Owen (ymchwil addysgol)
- Yr Athro Hayley Gomez, enillydd Medal Hoggan (menywod yn STEM)
- Yr Athro Nidal Hilal, enillydd Medal Menelaus (peirianeg a thechnoleg)
- Dr Gwennan Higham, enillydd Medal Dillwyn: Y Dyniaethau a'r Celfyddydau Creadigol
- Dr Jennifer Edwards, enillydd Medal Dillwyn: STEM
- Dr Rebecca Diamond, enillydd Medal Dillwyn: Y Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol, Economeg a Busnes

2. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb

Nodwyd ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb a fyddai'n cael eu rhestru fel atodiad i gofnodion y cyfarfod.

3. Cofnodion y Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynnyddol a gynhaliwyd ar 22 Mai 2019

CAFODD, NODODD A PHENDERFYNNODD yr Aelodau **GYMERADWYO** Cofnodion degfed Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol y Gymdeithas a gynhaliwyd ar 22 Mai 2019, a lofnodwyd gan y Llywydd ar y cyfle cyntaf.

4. Mater Llywodraethu

CAFODD a **NODODD** yr Aelodau bapur AGM/2020/01, Materion Llywodraethu.

Nododd y Llywydd fod yr offerynnau llywodraethu ar ffurf Siarter Brenhinol ac is-ddeddfau a Rheoliadau'r Gymdeithas i'w canfod ar wefan y Gymdeithas:

www.learnedgymdeithas.wales/about-us/governance)

Nododd y Llywydd fod yr Athro Hywel Thomas wedi'i ethol gan y Cymrodyr i'w olynu fel Llywydd y Gymdeithas. Mae'r broses gywir wedi'i dilyn.

Byddai'r Athro Alan Shore yn parhau fel Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol am ail dymor. Diolchodd y Llywydd iddo am ei wasanaeth gwerthfawr i'r Gymdeithas.

Diolchodd y Llywydd i'r Athro David Boucher am ei wasanaeth a'i gyfraniad rhagorol i'r Gymdeithas wrth i'w dymor fel Is-lywydd ar gyfer y Celfyddydau, y Dyniaethau a'r Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol ddirwyn i ben. Llongyfarchodd yr Athro Helen Fulton am ei phenodiad fel Is-lywydd a dymunodd yn dda iddi yn ei rôl newydd.

Diolchodd a chroesawodd y Llywydd y chwe aelod newydd o'r Cyngor sydd wedi'u hethol gan Gymrodyr i wasanaethu ar y Cyngor tan ddiwedd Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol 2023. Dyma'r aelodau newydd:

- Yr Athro Roger Awan-Scully
- Yr Athro Claire Gorrara
- Yr Athro Alma Harris
- Yr Athro Qiang Shen
- Yr Athro John V Tucker
- Yr Athro Meena Upadhyaya

Diolchodd y Llywydd i aelodau ymadawol y Cyngor am eu cyfraniadau i'r Cyngor ac i'r Gymdeithas gyfan. Dyma'r aelodau ymadawol:

- Yr Athro Sioned Davies
- Yr Athro David Evans
- Yr Athro Densil Morgan
- Yr Athro John Morgan
- Yr Athro Tim Phillips

Nododd y Llywydd fod yr Athro Claire Gorrara a'r Athro Qiang Shen wedi'u hethol gan gydweithwyr y Cyngor i gynrychioli'r Cyngor ar y Pwyllgor Penodiadau Llywodraethu o ddiwedd Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol 2020 i ddiwedd Cyfarfod 2023.

Diolchodd y Llywydd i'r holl Gymrodyr am roi eu hunain ymlaen i wasanaethu ar Gyngor a Phwyllgorau'r Gymdeithas.

5. Adroddiad Blynyddol a Chyfrifon 2018/19

CAFODD a **NODODD** yr Aelodau bapur AGM/2020/02 a'r Adroddiad Blynyddol a Chyfrifon ar gyfer 2018/19 (sef nawfed cyfnod cyfrifo'r Gymdeithas). Cyflwynwyd y rhain gan y Trysorydd. Roedd rhybudd wedi'i roi i'r Aelodau bod yr Adroddiad Blynyddol a Chyfrifon ar gael i'w lawrlwytho o wefan y Gymdeithas.

Diolchodd y Trysorydd i'r Llywydd am ei gyfraniadau yn ystod y ddau dymor diwethaf. Diolchodd hefyd i'r staff, yn enwedig Janice Gillian am ei gwaith fel Swyddog Cyllid ar gyfer y Gymdeithas.

NODWYD YMHELLACH:

Bod incwm y Gymdeithas yn cynnwys yn bennaf grantiau gan brifysgolion yng Nghymru, ffioedd derbyn a thanysgrifiadau gan ein Cymrodyr.

Nododd y Trysorydd y byddai'r ffynhonnell ariannu olaf yn cynyddu wrth i ragor o Gymrodyr gael eu hethol. Amlygodd bwysigrwydd Cymorth Rhodd, a greodd 25% ychwanegol ar y ffioedd aelodaeth ac ar roddion. Anogodd pob Cymrawd oedd yn medru i lofnodi ar gyfer Cymorth Rhodd.

Diolchodd y Trysorydd yn benodol i Brifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant, a gefnogodd y Gymdeithas nid yn unig trwy gyfraniad grant ond hefyd trwy ddarparu gwasanaethau hanfodol, gan gynnwys lle swyddfa, cymorth gweinyddol a gwasanaethau TG.

Nododd y Trysorydd wariant y Gymdeithas. Dywedodd fod y Gymdeithas mewn sefyllfa dda, gyda bron i £400,000 o gronfeydd i gyd.

Diolchodd y Llywydd i'r Trysorydd ac aelodau o'r Pwyllgor Cyllid am eu stiwardiaeth ofalus o adnoddau'r Gymdeithas.

Gwahoddodd y Llywydd sylwadau gan y Cymrodyr ar adroddiad y Trysorydd. Nid oedd sylwadau.

PENDERFYNODD yr Aelodau'n **FFURFIOL I DDERBYN** yr Adroddiad Blynyddol a'r Cyfrifon ar gyfer 2018/19.

Penodi Archwilwyr Annibynnol

NODODD yr Aelodau bod y cyfrifon wedi'u harchwilio'n annibynnol gan Baldwins; ni chodwyd unrhyw bryderon ganddynt.

Estynnodd y Llywydd wahoddiad i'r Cymrodyr roi sylwadau ar adroddiad y Trysorydd. Ni chafwyd rhai.

PENDERFYNODD yr Aelodau **BENODI BALDWINS YN FFURFIOL FEL YR ARHOLWR ANNIBYNNOL** ar gyfer 2019/20.

6. Materion y Gymrodoriaeth

CAFODD a **NODODD** yr Aelodau bapur AGM/2020/03, Materion Cymrodoriaeth.

Gwahoddodd y Llywydd yr Is-lywydd ar gyfer y Celfyddydau, y Dyniaethau a'r Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol i gyflwyno'r papur. Nododd yr Is-lywydd ei bod hi wedi bod yn bleser gweithio gyda chyd-swyddogion ac y byddai'n aros ar y Cyngor am un flwyddyn arall.

Croesawodd yr Is-lywydd Joe Boyle, y Swyddog Cyfathrebu, ac fe'i diolchodd am ei holl gefnogaeth.

Nododd yr Is-lywydd farwolaeth drist deg Cymrawd dros y flwyddyn ddiwethaf ac arsylwyd munud o dawelwch er cof amdanynt.

Nododd yr Is-lywydd fod y cylch ethol wedi'i drefnu'n dda a diolchodd i'r cadeiryddion ac aelodau'r Pwyllgorau Craffu am eu holl ymdrechion. Roedd Fiona Gaskell, Cynorthwydd y Gymrodoriaeth, wedi gwneud gwaith gwych i sicrhau bod y broses yn cael ei rheoli'n dda ac fe'i diolchwyd am ei hymdrechion.

Diolchodd yr Is-lywydd hefyd i'r Athro Terry Threadgold am ei gwaith ar Gydraddoldeb, Amrywiaeth a Chynhwysiant, gan amlygu ei chyfraniad gwerthfawr i wella'r ffurflenni enwebu.

Llongyfarchodd yr Is-lywydd bob Cymrawd a gafodd wobrau niferus ar hyd y flwyddyn. Nodwyd, ers cynhyrchu'r papurau, fod yr Athro Valerie O'Donnell (etholwyd 2015) a'r Athro Menna Clatworthy (etholwyd 2020) wedi'u hethol yn Gymrodyr yr Academi Gwyddorau Meddygol.

Gwahoddodd y Llywydd sylwadau gan Gymrodyr. Ni dderbyniwyd rhai.

7. Ethol Cymrodyr newydd

Galwodd y Llywydd ar yr Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol, yr Athro Alan Shore, i gyflwyno rhan hon y cyfarfod.

CAFODD a **NODODD** yr Aelodau bapur AGM/2020/04 oedd yn amlinellu'r broses o ran cyflwyno Cymrodyr newydd yn ffurfiol.

Croesawodd y Llywydd yn ffurfiol bob Cymrawd newydd i'r Gymdeithas, gan eu cyfarch â'r geiriau canlynol:

'Yn enw Cymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru a thrwy ei hawdurdod, fe'ch derbyniaf chi yn Gymrodyr y Gymdeithas'.

Cyflwynodd yr Athro Shore yr Athro Margaret MacMillan, Cymrawd Anrhydeddus, a dywedodd:

“Mae'r Athro Margaret MacMillan yn amheuthun ond nid yw'n unigryw yn y ffaith ei bod hi wedi cyflawni gwasanaeth i'r Gymdeithas cyn iddi gael ei hethol yn Gymrawd Anrhydeddus.

“Ym mis Rhagfyr 2016, roeddwn yn aelod o gynulleidfa lawn yn Narlithfa Eric Sunderland ym Mhrifysgol Bangor er mwyn gwrandao ar yr Athro MacMillan yn rhoi darlith ar ei hen dad-cu: David Lloyd George yr Heddychwyr.

“Hoffwn sôn am ddwy nodwedd o'r digwyddiad hwnnw.

“I ddechrau, rhoddodd ein cydweithiwr diweddar ac a fethir, Keith Robbins, gyflwyniad afieithus cofiadwy i’r ddarlith. Cafwyd hefyd sesiwn holi ac ateb fywiog iawn sy’n adlewyrchu’r diddordeb mawr a grëwyd gan y ddarlith. Roedd rhai o’r cwestiynau’n swnio braidd yn od, hyd yn oed i’r clustiau anhyddysg innau. Serch hynny, atebodd yr Athro MacMillan bawb a ddaeth yn ddeheuig. Ar sail yr ymatebion hynny, mae’n bosibl bod rhai o’r cwestiynwyr hynny wedi mynd adref yn ystyried iddynt ofyn cwestiwn synhwyrol.

“Mae’r Athro MacMillan wedi mynd ar drywydd ei gyrfa academiaidd yn ei gwlad frodorol yng Nghanada ac yn y DU.

“Ceir cymesuredd rhyfeddol rhwng ei chyflawniadau ar ddwy ochr yr Atlantig. Mae ei phenodiadau a’i chyflawniadau felly’n cynnwys:

Athro Hanes ym Mhrifysgol Toronto a Hanes Modern yn Rhydychen

Prifathro Coleg y Drindod Toronto; Warden Coleg Sant Antony Rhydychen

Urdd Cydymaith Canada; Cydymaith Anrhydedd y DU

Llywodraethwr Cyffredinol Gwobr Lenyddol Canada; gwobr Samuel Johnson am lenyddiaeth ffeithiol

“Ond nid yw ei holl gyflawniadau wedi’u cyfyngu i’r parth academiaidd, gan ei bod hi wedi ymroi amser sylweddol i gyfathrebu â’r cyhoedd. Er enghraifft, yn 2015, cyflwynodd Darlithoedd Massey ar gyfer Corfforaeth Ddarlledu Canada; ac yn 2018, Darlithoedd Reith ar gyfer y Gorfforaeth Ddarlledu Brydeinig.

“Mae’r rhain ymhell o fod yn gyrchoedd prin i eiddo cyhoeddus. Mae hi’n cyfrannu’n aml at y newyddion a rhaglenni materion cyfoes fel y World at One ar Radio 4. Fan hyn, mae hi’n cysylltu’n glir faterion cyfoes â’u cynseiliau hanesyddol.

“Oherwydd y cyfuniad hwn o sgiliau, mae’n hynod amhriodol i alw’r Athro Macmillan yn Ddeallusyn Cyhoeddus. Ac mae’n bleser gennym ei chrosawu i’r Gymdeithas.”

Gwahoddodd yr Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol yr Athro MacMillan i annerch y cyfarfod. Atebodd yr Athro MacMillan:

“Mae’n anrhydedd ac yn bleser mawr cael fy ethol yn Gymrawd Anrhydeddus Cymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru. Byddwn i wedi hoffi diolch i chi mewn person, ond mae pandemig Covid-19 wedi newid hynny fel y mae wedi gwneud gyda phopeth arall. Ond yr hyn y mae wedi gwneud, a hynny’n gryfach nag erioed, yw tynnu sylw at ba mor bwysig yw dysgu ac ymchwil a’n diwylliant i gymdeithas. Trwy ddwyn ynghyd arbenigwyr o feysydd ar draws y celfyddydau a’r gwyddorau, mae Cymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru’n helpu i greu Cymru gref. Fel rhywun sy’n falch o fod yn hanner Cymraes, ar ochr fy mam, rwy’n ddiolchgar iawn i chi am adael imi fod yn rhan o sefydliad mor werthfawr. Diolch yn fawr yn wir.”

Cyflwynodd yr Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol y Gymrawd Anrhydeddus y Fonesig Jocelyn Bell Burnell fel a ganlyn:

“Er syndod, mae ein hail Gymrawd Anrhydeddus, y Fonesig Jocelyn Bell Burnell hefyd wedi gwasanaethu’r Gymdeithas cyn cael ei hethol. Fel Llywydd Cymdeithas Frenhinol Caeredin, cynigiodd y Fonesig Jocelyn gyngor a chymorth gwerthfawr iawn i Gymdeithas Ddysgedig newydd Cymru. Rydym yn mawr werthfawrogi’r gefnogaeth honno.

“Yn ystod cyfnod y Fonesig Jocelyn fel Llywydd yr Athrofa Ffiseg, gwasanaethais ar bwylgor cyswllt Athrofa Ffiseg / Undeb Ryngwladol Ffiseg Bur a Chymhwysol a gadeiriwyd gan y Fonesig Jocelyn. Rwy’n cofio un aelod o’r pwyllgor a hoffai siarad yn hirfaith ond ni allwn ddeall pwynt y cyfraniadau hynny bob amser. Rhoddodd y Fonesig Jocelyn ganiatâd amyneddgar i’r aelod hwnnw gael dweud ei ddweud, diolchwyd iddo am ei gyfraniad ac yna llywiwyd y pwyllgor trwy ei agenda ar amser.

“Ysgrifennwyd y rhan fwyaf o weddill y sylwadau a gynigaf gan Gymrawd y Gymdeithas yn Llanystumdwy - lle o ryw arwyddocâd i Margaret MacMillan. Cyfeiriai at Jan Morris, sydd bellach yn ei 10fed degawd ond sy’n parhau i ysgrifennu - yn y Gymraeg yn ogystal â’r Saesneg gyda llaw.

“Mae ei llyfr diweddaraf *Thinking Again*, a gyhoeddwyd yn gynharach eleni, ar ffurf dyddiadur ond mae’r cofnodion wedi’u rhifo yn hytrach na’u dyddio. Byddai hyn yn gur pen i hanesydd, ond rwy’n hyderus y bydd y Fonesig Jocelyn yn gallu dyddio’r cofnod canlynol yn eithaf cywir.

“Dyma felly aralleiriad o Ddiwrnod 64 o *Thinking Again* gan Jan Morris:

“Aha! Am unwaith mae yna stori hollol hapus yn newyddion y dydd. Mae’n ymwneud â’r astroffisegydd Jocelyn Bell Burnell a ddarganfyddodd fodolaeth pylsarau pan oedd yn wyddonydd fyfyrwr ôl-raddedig yng Nghaergrawnt ym 1967. Cadarnhaodd ei goruchwylwr yn Labordy Cavendish y gwaith a gwobrwywyd y Wobr Nobel am y cyflawniad hwn iddo ef yn unig.

“Rydw i ar ddeall i wyddonwyr enwog brotestio oherwydd annhegwch hyn ond derbyniodd y Ms Burnell ifanc y sefyllfa heb gwyno ac aeth ymlaen gyda’i gwaith.

“A’i harweiniodd, yr wythnos hon i America ac at wobwr Darganfyddiad Arbennig a wobrwyr am gyflawniad gwyddonol eithriadol ac mae’n werth – arhoswch amdano - £2.3 miliwn.

“A sut gwnaeth Burnell, sydd bellach yn Fonesig o’r Ymerodraeth Brydeinig eithriadol o amlwg ymateb y tro hwn? Wel, trwy wrthod yn raslon y ffortiwn iddi hi ei hun a throsglwyddo pob un geiniog i elusen wyddonol.

“Gwych! Llongyfarchiadau wrth dwpsyn gwyddonol llwyr i’r Fonesig Jocelyn, a diolch yn fawr am fod yn esiampl i ni gyd.”

“A hoffwn ddiolch i Jan Morris am hynny.

“I gloi, cyfeiriai yn ôl at rôl y Fonesig Jocelyn gyda Chymdeithas Frenhinol Caeredin; mae hi hefyd yn aelod anrhydeddus o Academi Frenhinol Iwerddon. Yn ôl fy nghyfrifiadau i, hi heddiw fydd y person cyntaf i gwblhau triawd yr Academiâu Celtaidd.

“Croeso i Gymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru.”

Gwahoddodd yr Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol y Fonesig Jocelyn i annerch y cyfarfod. Ymatebodd:

“Diolch yn fawr am yr anrhydedd hwn!

“Rydw i o Ogledd Iwerddon yn wreiddiol ac wedi treulio llawer o’r hamser yn yr Alban, felly er nad oes gennyf gysylltiadau uniongyrchol â Chymru, rwy’n teimlo bod rhyw fath o enaid hoff gytûn rhyngom.

“Yn fuan ar ôl i’r Gymdeithas ddechrau, deuthum yn Llywydd ar Gymdeithas Frenhinol Caeredin, a chefais gyfle, yn enwedig yn ystod trafodaethau BREXIT, i weithio gydag Emyr Jones Parry (Llywydd LSW ar y pryd) a Peter Halligan (Prif Swyddog Gweithredol). Roedd yn berthynas hynod gynhyrchiol, ac rwy’n hapus iawn nawr o gael y berthynas barhaus hon gyda Chymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru.”

Cyflwynodd yr Ysgrifennydd Cyffredinol bob un o’r Cymrodwr newydd eu hethol, a chasglodd y Llywydd y sesiwn gynefino trwy ddatgan:

“Fel Cymrawd etholedig Cymdeithas Ddysgedig Cymru, maen nhw’n gwneud popeth o fewn eu gallu i gynnal dibenion ac enw da’r Gymdeithas.”

8. Anerchiad Blynyddol y Llywydd, Syr Emyr Jones Parry

Cyflwynodd Syr Emyr Jones Parry ei anerchiad blynyddol i Gymrodwr. Fe fydd y testun ar gael ar dudalen Cyhoeddiadau gwefan y Gymdeithas.

9. Penodi Llywydd a Chadeirydd Cyngor newydd

Llongyfarchodd y Llywydd yr Athro Hywel Thomas ar gael ei ethol yn Llywydd y Gymdeithas.

Diolchodd yr Athro Thomas i Syr Emyr a nododd ei fod yn anrhydedd gael ei ethol.

Nododd yr Athro Thomas fod y Gymdeithas yn byw mewn amserau anodd oherwydd Covid-19, ond wrth i ni edrych i’r dyfodol, roedd mewn lle da i gynnig cyngor i’r llywodraeth. Diolchodd i Syr Emyr, oedd wedi sicrhau bod y Gymdeithas wedi datblygu rôl fel cyfaill beirniadol i’r llywodraeth.

Amlygodd yr Athro Thomas fod Syr Emyr bob amser wedi siarad yn uchel, yn glir ac yn huawdl yn ei ymateb i Brexit ac effaith hynny ar addysg uwch yn ystod ei Lywyddiaeth.

Yn ogystal, gwnaeth Syr Emyr gyfraniadau tyngedfennol i Adolygiad Diamond, yn enwedig i gyngor y Gymdeithas ar gyllid i fyfyrwyr ac yn ei ymdrechion i sicrhau cyllid y llywodraeth ar gyfer y Gymdeithas.

Nododd yr Athro Thomas hefyd rôl bwysig Syr Emyr wrth sicrhau’r Siarter Frenhinol ar gyfer y Gymdeithas. Roedd wedi adeiladu perthnasoedd cryf gydag academiâu eraill ac roedd yn ddylanwadol wrth sicrhau aelodaeth y Gymdeithas o ALLEA.

Yn olaf, nododd yr Athro Thomas y gwelliannau yr oedd Syr Emyr wedi’u rhoi ar waith i sicrhau cydraddoldeb, amrywiaeth a chynhwysiant i bob aelod o’r Gymdeithas.

Nododd yr Athro Thomas ei bod hi'n drist na allem fod gyda'n gilydd er mwyn codi llwncdestun i Syr Emyr a'i ddiolch am bopeth yr oedd wedi'i wneud.

Diolchodd Syr Emyr i'r Athro Thomas am ei eiriau caredig, ac am y cyfan yr oedd eisoes wedi'i wneud i'r Gymdeithas, a dymunodd yn dda iddo.

10. Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Nesaf

Nododd y Llywydd y byddai'r Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol nesaf ar ddydd Mercher 19 Mai 2021.

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 4.45 p.m.

Derbyniwyd ymddiheuriadau i'r Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynnyddol gan:

Dr Robin Gwyndaf, Syr Leszek Borysiewicz, Yr Athro Ann Heilmann, Dr Helen Ougham, Yr Athro Stuart Palmer, Yr Athro Kenneth Edwards, Yr Athro Cara Aitchison, Syr Robin Williams, Ms Ceridwen Roberts, Dr Rhiannon Ifans, Syr Mansel Aylward, Yr Athro Biagio Lucini, Yr Athro Peter Halligan, Y Farwnes Ilora Finlay, Yr Athro Justin Lewis, Yr Athro Eleri Pryse, Yr Athro Nathan Abrams



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MINUTES OF THE TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING ON WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2020

Present:

Sir Emyr Jones Parry	<i>(President)</i>	Professor Paul O'Leary
Professor David Boucher	<i>(Vice-President)</i>	Professor John O'Reilly
Professor Michael Charlton	<i>(Vice President)</i>	Professor Ann Parry Owen
Professor Keith Smith	<i>(Treasurer)</i>	Professor Carole Pateman
Professor Alan Shore	<i>(General Secretary)</i>	Ms Maxine Penlington
		Professor Keith Peters
		Professor Duc Pham
Professor Gert Aarts	Professor Simon Hands	Professor Ceri Phillips
Mr Jonathan Adams	Professor Alma Harris	Professor Judith Phillips
Professor Peter Atkinson	Professor Trevor Herbert	Professor Tim Phillips
Professor Roger Awan-Scully	Professor Glyn Hewinson	Professor John Pickett
Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell	Professor Julian Hopkins	Professor Ryszard Piotrowicz
Professor Kirsti Bohata	Professor Colin Hughes	Professor Timothy Porter
Professor Gillian Bristow	Professor Ieuan Hughes	Professor Julian Preece
Professor David Brooksbank	Professor Ifan Hughes	Professor David Ian Rabey
Professor Malcolm Brown	Dr E John Hughes	Professor Geoff Richards
Professor Tony Brown	Professor Rob Humphreys	Professor David Ritchie
Professor Nickie Charles	Professor Christine James	Professor Gareth Roberts
Professor Lisa Collins	Professor E. Wyn James	Professor Julian Sampson
Professor Tom Crick	Professor Matthew Jarvis	Professor Karl Michael Schmidt
Professor Michael Davies	Professor Angela John	Professor Bernard Schutz
Professor Sioned Davies	Professor Mari Jones	Professor Len Scott
Professor Alun Davies	Professor John Jones	Professor Qiang Shen
Professor Ceri Davies	Professor Trevor Jones	Sir Paul Silk
Dr Sally Davies	The Right Honourable Lord David Lloyd Jones	Professor Keshav Singhal
Professor Richard Dinsdale	Professor Peter Knowles	Professor Robin Stowell
Professor Shareen Doak	Professor John Lazarus	Professor Mark Thomas
Professor Norman Doe	Professor Geraint Lewis	Professor Dame Jean Thomas
Professor Christopher Evans	Professor Emyr Lewis	Professor Howard Thomas
Professor Gareth Evans	Professor Margaret MacMillan	Professor Terry Threadgold
Sir Malcolm Evans	Professor Malcolm Mason	Professor Martyn Tranter
Professor David Evans	Professor Donna Mead	Professor Elaine Treharne
Professor Peter Excell	Professor Gennady Mishuris	Professor Carol Tucker
Professor Roger Falconer	Professor Faron Moller	Professor John V Tucker
Dr Dylan Foster Evans	Professor W. John Morgan	Professor Meena Upadhyaya
Professor Caroline Franklin	Professor Hilary Morgan	Professor Ian Weeks
Professor Helen Fulton	The Right Reverend Barry Morgan	Professor Andrew Weightman
Professor Haley Gomez	Professor Iwan Morus	Professor Gavin Wilkinson
Professor Claire Gorrara	Professor Helen Nicholson	Professor Catrin Williams
Professor Leslie Griffiths	Dr Sue Niebrzydowski	Professor John Tudno Williams
Professor Alan Guwy	Professor Perumal Nithiarasu	Professor Thomas Wirth

Present by Proxy:

Professor Russell Davies	Professor Brian Randell
Professor Nidal Hilal	Dr Lynn Williams
Professor Helen Ougham	Sir Robin Williams

In attendance:

Mr Martin Pollard	<i>(Chief Executive)</i>
Dr Sarah Morse	<i>(Senior Executive Officer)</i>
Mrs Amanda Kirk	<i>(Clerk to Council)</i>
Mr Joe Boyle	<i>(Communications Officer)</i>
Mrs Fiona Gaskell	<i>(Fellowship Assistant)</i>
Ms Janice Gillian	<i>(Finance Officer)</i>
Ms Catrin Beard	<i>(Interpreter)</i>

The Annual General Meeting opened at 3.30 p.m.**1. Welcome and Introduction by the Society's President**

The President, Sir Emyr Jones Parry:

- 1.1 welcomed Fellows present, in particular newly-elected Fellows, to the Society's Tenth Annual General Meeting and thanked them for attending;
- 1.2 advised Fellows that they were welcome to address the meeting in Welsh or English;
- 1.3 expressed his gratitude to the interpreter, Catrin Beard.

The President announced the LSW 2020 medal winners and congratulated:

- Professor Sally Power, winner of the Hugh Owen Medal (educational research)
- Professor Hayley Gomez, winner of the Hoggan Medal (women in STEMM)
- Professor Nidal Hilal, winner of the Menelaus Medal (engineering and technology)
- Dr Gwennan Higham, winner of the Dillwyn Medal: Humanities and Creative Arts
- Dr Jennifer Edwards, winner of the Dillwyn Medal: STEMM
- Dr Rebecca Diamond, winner of the Dillwyn Medal: Social Sciences, Economics and Business

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were noted and would be listed as an appendix to the minutes of the meeting.

3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22 May 2019

Members **RECEIVED**, **NOTED** and **RESOLVED TO APPROVE** the Minutes of the tenth Annual General Meeting of the Society, held on 22 May 2019. The minutes would be signed by the President at the earliest opportunity.

4. Governance Matter

Members **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** paper AGM/2020/01, Governance Matters.

The President noted that the Society's governing instruments – in the form of the Royal Charter, Bye-laws and Regulations – could be found on the website:

www.learnedsociety.wales/about-us/governance

The President noted that Professor Hywel Thomas had been elected by Fellows to succeed him as President of the Society. Due process had been followed.

Professor Alan Shore would continue as General Secretary for a second term. The President thanked him for his valuable service to the Society.

The President thanked Professor David Boucher for his excellent service and contribution to the Society as his term as Vice-President for Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences had come to an end. He congratulated Professor Helen Fulton on her appointment as Vice-President and wished her well in her new role.

The President thanked and welcomed six new members of Council who had been elected by Fellows to serve on Council until the end of the 2023 AGM. The new members were:

- Professor Roger Awan-Scully
- Professor Claire Gorrara
- Professor Alma Harris
- Professor Qiang Shen
- Professor John V Tucker
- Professor Meena Upadhyaya

The President thanked the outgoing members of Council for their contributions to Council and the Society as a whole. The outgoing members were:

- Professor Sioned Davies
- Professor David Evans
- Professor Densil Morgan
- Professor John Morgan
- Professor Tim Phillips

The President noted that Professor Claire Gorarra and Professor Qiang Shen had been elected by Council colleagues to represent the Council on the Governance Appointments Committee from the end of the 2020 AGM to the end of the 2023 AGM.

The President thanked all Fellows for putting themselves forward to serve on the Society's Council and Committees.

5. Annual Report and Accounts 2018/19

Members **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** paper AGM/2020/02 and the Annual Report and Accounts for 2018/19 (the Society's ninth accounting period). These were introduced by the Treasurer. Members had been notified that the Annual Report and Accounts were available to download from the Society's website.

The Treasurer thanked the President for his contributions during the past two terms. He also thanked the staff, in particular Janice Gillian for her work as Finance Officer for the Society.

It was **NOTED FURTHER** that:

The Society's income primarily comprised grants from universities in Wales, admission fees and subscriptions from our Fellows.

The Treasurer noted that the latter funding source would increase as more Fellows were elected. He highlighted the importance of Gift Aid, which generated an additional 25% on the membership fees and on donations. He encouraged all Fellows who could to sign up for Gift Aid.

The Treasurer noted his particular thanks to the University of Wales Trinity Saint David, which supported the Society not only by grant contribution but also with the provision of vital services, including office space, administrative support and IT services.

The Treasurer noted the Society's expenditure. He advised that the Society was in a good position, with nearly £400,000 in total funds.

The President thanked the Treasurer and members of the Finance Committee for their careful stewardship of the Society's resources.

The President invited comments from Fellows on the Treasurer's report. None were received.

Members **RESOLVED FORMALLY TO RECEIVE** the Annual Report and Accounts for 2018/19.

Appointment of Independent Examiners

Members **NOTED** that the accounts had been independently examined by Baldwins; they had raised no concerns.

The President invited comments from Fellows on the Treasurer's report. None were received.

Members **RESOLVED FORMALLY TO APPOINT BALDWINS AS INDEPENDENT EXAMINER** for 2019/20

6. Fellowship Matters

Members **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** paper AGM/2020/03, Fellowship Matters.

The President invited the Vice-President for Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (AHSS) to introduce the paper. The Vice-President noted that it had been a pleasure working with fellow Officers, and he would remain on Council for one more year.

The Vice-President welcomed Joe Boyle, the Communications Officer, and thanked him for all his support.

The Vice-President noted the sad passing of ten Fellows over the past year, and a moment's silence was observed in their memory.

The Vice-President noted that the election cycle had been well organised and thanked the chairs and members of the Scrutiny Committees for all their efforts. Fiona Gaskell, Fellowship Assistant, had done a wonderful job to ensure the process was well managed and was thanked for her efforts.

The Vice-President also noted his thanks to Professor Terry Threadgold for her work on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, highlighting her valuable input to improve the nomination forms.

The Vice-President congratulated all Fellows who had received numerous awards and prizes throughout the year. It was noted that, since the production of the papers, Professor Valerie O'Donnell (elected 2015) and Professor Menna Clatworthy (elected 2020) had been elected Fellows of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

The President invited comments from Fellows. None were received.

7. Election of New Fellows

The President called upon the General Secretary, Professor Alan Shore, to introduce this part of the meeting.

Members **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** paper AGM/2020/04, which outlined the process for the formal introduction of new Fellows.

The President formally welcomed all new Fellows to the Society, addressing them as follows:

“In the name and by the authority of The Learned Society of Wales, I admit you as Fellows thereof.”

Professor Shore introduced Professor Margaret MacMillan, Honorary Fellow, and said:

“Professor Margaret MacMillan is rare but not unique in having rendered a service to the Society prior to her election as an Honorary Fellow.

“In December 2016 I was a member of a capacity audience in the Eric Sunderland Lecture theatre at Bangor University to listen to Professor MacMillan deliver a lecture on her great grandfather: David Lloyd George the Peacemaker.

“I would mention two features of that event.

“Firstly, our late and much missed colleague Keith Robbins delivered a memorably exuberant introduction to the lecture. Also, reflecting the great interest generated by the lecture, there was a very lively Q&A session. Even to my untutored ear some of the questions sounded rather bizarre. However, Professor MacMillan deftly answered all comers. Based on those responses, some of those questioners may have gone home thinking they had asked a sensible question.

“Professor MacMillan has pursued her academic career both in her native Canada and in the UK.

“There is a remarkable symmetry between her achievements on both sides of the Atlantic. Thus her appointments and achievements include:

Professor of History at Toronto University and of Modern History at Oxford

Provost of Trinity College Toronto; Warden of St Antony’s College Oxford

Companion Order of Canada; Companion of Honour UK

Governor General Literary Award Canada; Samuel Johnson prize for non-fiction

“But not all her achievements have been confined to the academic domain, as she has devoted considerable time communicating to the general public. For example, in 2015 she presented the Massey Lectures for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation; and in 2018 the Reith Lectures for the British Broadcasting Corporation.

“These are far from being rare forays into the public domain. She is a frequent contributor to news and current affairs programmes such as the World at One on Radio 4. Here she lucidly relates contemporary issues to their historical precedents.

“Due to this combination of skills – make it highly appropriate to call Prof MacMillan a Public Intellectual. And is our pleasure to welcome her to the Society.”

The General Secretary invited Professor MacMillan to address the meeting. Professor MacMillan responded:

“It is a great honour and pleasure to have been elected as an Honorary Fellow of the Learned Society of Wales. I would have liked to be able to thank you in person, but the Covid-19 pandemic has changed that as it has done so much else. What it has done though is bring out, more forcefully than ever, how important learning and research and our culture are to society. By bringing together experts from fields across the arts and sciences, the Learned Society of Wales helps to make a strong Wales. As someone who is proudly half Welsh, on my mother’s side, I am most grateful to you for letting me become part of such a valuable institution. Many thanks indeed.”

The General Secretary introduced Honorary Fellow Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell as follows:

“Remarkably, our second Honorary Fellow Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell has also been of service to the Society prior to election. As President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, Dame Jocelyn offered much valuable advice and assistance to the fledgling Learned Society of Wales. We greatly appreciate that support.

“During the tenure of Dame Jocelyn as the President of the Institute of Physics, I served on an Institute of Physics / International Union of Pure and Applied Physics liaison committee chaired by Dame Jocelyn. I recall one member of the committee who liked to speak at length although I could not always discern the point of those contributions. Dame Jocelyn patiently allowed that member their say, thanked them for their contribution and then steered the committee through its agenda on schedule.

“Most of the remaining remarks I will offer were written by a Fellow of the Society who is based in Llanystumdwy – a place of some significance for Margaret MacMillan. I am referring to Jan Morris, who is now in her 10th decade but still writing – in Welsh as well as in English by the way.

“Her latest book *Thinking Again*, published earlier this year, is in the form of a diary but the entries are numbered rather than dated. This would be irritating to an historian, but I am confident that Dame Jocelyn will be able to date the following entry with some accuracy.

“Here then is Day 64 of *Thinking Again* by Jan Morris:

“Aha! Just for once an entirely happy story in the day’s news. It concerns the astrophysicist Jocelyn Bell Burnell who as a postgraduate student scientist at Cambridge in 1967 discovered the existence of pulsars. Her supervisor at the Cavendish Laboratory corroborated the work and he alone was awarded the Nobel Prize for this achievement.

“Eminent scientists, I gather, protested at the unfairness of this but young Ms Burnell accepted the situation without complaint and just went on with her work.

“Which led her, this week to America and the award of the Special Breakthrough Prize which is awarded for exceptional scientific achievement and is worth – wait for it – £2.3 million.

“And how did Burnell now a tremendously eminent Dame of the British Empire respond this time? Why, by gracefully refusing that fortune for herself and passing the whole lot to a scientific charity.

“Bravo! Congratulations from a total scientific ignoramus, Dame Jocelyn, and thanks a lot for the example to us all.”

“And my thanks to Jan Morris for that.

“To close, I refer back to Dame Jocelyn’s role with the Royal Society of Edinburgh; she is also an honorary member of the Royal Irish Academy. Today she will, by my calculations, become the first person to complete the Celtic Academies hat trick.

“Welcome to the Learned Society of Wales.”

The General Secretary invited Dame Jocelyn to address the meeting. She responded:

“Thank you for this honour!

“I am originally Northern Irish and have spent a lot of my time in Scotland, so although I have no direct links with Wales, there is some kindred spirit, I feel.

“Soon after the LSW got going I became President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, and, particularly during the BREXIT negotiations, had the opportunity to work with Emyr Jones Parry (then the President of the LSW) and Peter Halligan (CEO). It was an especially fruitful relationship, and I’m very happy now to have this continuing relationship with the Learned Society of Wales.”

The General Secretary introduced each of the elected new Fellows, and the President concluded the induction by stating:

“As an elected Fellow of the Learned Society of Wales, they undertake to do all within their power to uphold the purposes and good name of the Society.”

8. Annual Address by the President, Sir Emyr Jones Parry

Sir Emyr Jones Parry presented to Fellows his annual address, the text of which would be made available on the Publications page of the Society’s website.

9. Appointment of new President and Chair of Council

The President congratulated Professor Hywel Thomas on his election as President of the Society.

Professor Thomas thanked Sir Emyr and noted that it was an honour to be elected.

Professor Thomas noted that the Society was living in difficult times due to Covid-19, but that as we look to the future, it was well placed to offer advice to government. He thanked Sir Emyr, who had ensured the Society had developed a role as a critical friend of government.

Professor Thomas highlighted that during his Presidency, Sir Emyr had always spoken loudly, clearly and eloquently in his response to Brexit and the impact on higher education.

Sir Emyr had also made crucial contributions to the Diamond Review, in particular to the Society’s advice on student funding and in his efforts to secure government funding for the Society.

Professor Thomas also noted Sir Emyr’s important role in securing the Royal Charter for the Society. He had also built strong relationships with other academies and was influential in securing the Society’s membership of ALLEA.

Finally, Professor Thomas noted the improvements that Sir Emyr had implemented to ensure equality, diversity and inclusion for all members of the Society.

Professor Thomas noted that it was sad that we could not all be together to toast Sir Emyr and thanked him for all that he had done.

Sir Emyr thanked Professor Thomas for his kind words, and for all he had already done for the Society, and wished him well.

10. Date of the Next Meeting

The President noted that the next AGM would be held on Wednesday 19 May 2021.

The AGM concluded at 4.45 p.m.

Apologies for the AGM were received from:

Dr Robin Gwyndaf, Sir Leszek Borysiewicz, Professor Ann Heilmann, Dr Helen Ougham, Professor Stuart Palmer, Professor Kenneth Edwards, Professor Cara Aitchison, Sir Robin Williams, Ms Ceridwen Roberts, Dr Rhiannon Ifans, Sir Mansel Aylward, Professor Biagio Lucini, Professor Peter Halligan, Baroness Ilora Finlay, Professor Justin Lewis, Professor Eleri Pryse, Professor Nathan Abrams



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Annual Report and Accounts, 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020

The Society's Bye-Laws and Regulations require our audited accounts and annual report to be presented at the AGM. Fellows are therefore invited to receive the Annual Report and Accounts for the period **1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020** (the Society's tenth accounting period).

The Report and Accounts can be downloaded from the Society's website:

<https://www.learnedsociety.wales/about-us/governance/key-documents/>

Hard copies are available on request.

The draft accounts were prepared by the Society's accountant, Heather Beynon, in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to registered charities (FRS 102).

The accounts were then submitted to the Society's Independent Financial Examiner, Azets, for consideration in September 2020. Azets carried out its examination under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. This ensured that the accounts provide a "true and fair view", in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Azets had no concerns about the accounts, and they came across no other matters in their examination to which attention should be drawn in this report.

The report and accounts were approved by Council on 21 October 2020. They were signed on behalf of the Society and its Trustees by the President and the Treasurer, and subsequently submitted to the Charity Commission. The narrative report and a summary of the accounts were incorporated in our published 2019-20 Annual Review.

Key financial developments in 2019/20

The Society reviewed its reserves policy during the year. Our new policy is to maintain a free reserve of six months' core costs (£132,645). The remainder of the Society's unrestricted funds (£259,006) are now designated a Strategic Development Fund. Some reserves are in the form of investments, in order to provide a reliable income stream in the future; their value was affected this year by the coronavirus pandemic, and we continue to monitor their long-term performance.

The Society remains grateful for the excellent support of universities in Wales; they provided generous unrestricted grants and, in some cases, additional grants for specific projects and in-kind support.

We would also like to thank our Fellows who support our work through payment of fees, subscriptions and donations, often supplementing payments by allowing the Society to claim Gift Aid against membership fees. In 2020 we ran a 10th Anniversary Funding Appeal, which attracted generous donations from many Fellows.

Fellows are asked to adopt the Annual Report and accounts.

Appointment of Independent Examiners and the fixing of their Remuneration 2020/21

To maintain public confidence in their work, the law requires most charities to have an external scrutiny of their accounts.

The Society's Bye-laws state the following:

17. Auditors or Independent Examiners

*17.1 The accounts of the Society shall be audited annually by auditors or independent examiners who shall be appointed by and whose duties shall be regulated by the **Council**.*

17.2 No persons shall be appointed as auditors or independent examiners unless suitably qualified.

The Finance Committee previously established that due to its size, a full audit of the Society's accounts is not required; the smaller-scale **independent examination** is sufficient. Azets have agreed to carry out the examination of the accounts for 2020/21 at a cost of £1850 +VAT.

Fellows are asked to approve the reappointment of Azets as the independent financial examiner for the financial year 2020/21, at a cost of £1,850 + VAT.

Amanda Kirk
May 2021



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Governance Matters

Governing Instruments

The Society is a Royal Charter Charity (registered charity number 1168622). Its governing documents are its Royal Charter and Bye-laws. These, along with the Regulations, form the Society's governing instruments. Copies of all of these documents are available on the Society's website: www.learnedsociety.wales/about-us/governance/

Paper copies of the documents will be available on request when the office reopens – please contact the Clerk on 029 2037 5054 or email her at Akirk@lsw.wales.ac.uk.

Officers, Council and Committees: Outgoing and new members

The Society's Council

The Charter provides for the Society's governing body to be the Council, in which "shall be vested the government and control of the Society and its affairs" subject to the provision of the Charter, Bye-laws and Regulations. This includes the determination of the educational activities of the Society, the effective and efficient use of resources, the solvency of the Society and the safeguarding of its assets, as well as ensuring that all matters relating to accounts and financial procedures are conducted in accordance with legal and regulatory requirements. Members of the Council serve as Charity Trustees for the purpose of charity law.

Election of Officers and Members of the Council 2021

1. Election of Officers

1.1 Treasurer

The Royal Charter and bye-laws (9.3 (i)) and the Society's Regulations (Regulation 6.3 (i)) state that:

"the Treasurer shall be elected by the Fellows of the Society from amongst their number."

On 19 February 2021, Fellows were advised that Professor Keith Smith would complete his first term as Treasurer at the end of the 19 May 2021 Annual General Meeting. Professor Smith had decided not to stand for re-election.

Fellows were invited to apply for the role of Treasurer. The closing date for applications was the 12th March 2021, and one nomination was received for the position.

During its meeting on the 17th March 2021, the Council noted that in accordance with the regulations, an election was not required. Professor Emerita Terry Threadgold FLSW was therefore elected without the need

for a ballot. Professor Threadgold's appointment was for an initial term of office from the end of the Society's AGM on 19 May 2021 until the end of the AGM in May 2024.

1.2 Vice-President (STEMM)

The Royal Charter and its bye-laws (bye-law 9.2 (ii)) state that:

"the Vice-President(s) shall be elected by the Council from amongst its numbers."

Professor Michael Charlton will complete his first term as Vice-President at the end of the 19 May 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Regulation 5.2ii states that "a Vice-President may seek re-election for a second term of up to three Society Years"; therefore Professor Charlton was eligible for re-election and advised Council colleagues that he was willing to stand for a second term.

One nomination was received for the position, and at their meeting on 17 March 2021 the Council unanimously agreed to elect Professor Michael Charlton to serve as the Society's Vice-President for STEMM for a second term of office (until the end of the AGM in May 2024).

2. Election of Members of Council

The Society's Regulations (8.1) state that Council members' terms of office are as follows:

- i. except as provided for in these Regulations, the term of Office for Elected Members of Council shall ordinarily be three Society Years;*
- ii. Elected Members of Council shall be eligible for re-election for a second term;*
- iii. Elected Members having served two terms shall not be eligible for re-election for a further term until at least one Society Year has elapsed;*
- iv. the term of Office for new Elected Members of Council shall commence at the close of the Annual General Meeting at which their election was announced.*

This year, four Council members – in addition to Professor Keith Smith as Treasurer – will complete their term of office at the 19 May AGM:

- Professor David Boucher
- Professor Ieuan Hughes (eligible for re-election)
- Professor John Jones
- Dr Lynn Williams (eligible for re-election)

On 19 February, Fellows were invited to apply for these vacancies. Those elected would serve for three years from the end of the 2021 AGM. Before the closing date of 12 March, the Clerk received ten nominations, meaning that a ballot was needed.

Dr Lynn Williams was the only applicant from the C1 section of the Fellowship. Regulation 3.3.iii states that C1 should be represented by at least one Council member, therefore Dr Williams was reappointed for a further 3 years without the need for a ballot.

The electronic ballot for the remaining three positions opened on 23 March (with a hard copy being sent to Fellows who correspond only by post) and closed on 14 April. As per the Society's Regulations, two Scrutineers (Professor Tom Crick and Professor Kath Woodward) were appointed to count the ballot papers. They did so via Zoom, in the presence of the Clerk, on 15 April 2021. The Society is grateful to both Scrutineers for undertaking this role.

After the count, the following Fellows were elected to Council for a period of three years from the end of the 19 May 2021 AGM:

- Professor Kirsti Bohata
- Professor Ieuan Hughes (re-elected)
- Professor Carol Tully

The Society wishes to thank Professor David Boucher, Professor John Jones and Professor Keith Smith for their valuable contributions to the Society's work during their time as Council members and Officers. Professor Boucher, Professor Jones and Professor Smith had served on the Council for two terms of three years and were therefore not eligible for re-election.

The Society congratulates Professor Ieuan Hughes and Dr Lynn Williams on their re-appointment to Council for a second term. The Society congratulates Professor Kirsti Bohata and Professor Carol Tully on their appointment to Council.

2.3 Co-option of Council Members

The Society's Regulations also allow Council to co-opt up to two additional Fellows to serve as members. No members of Council were co-opted during the last Society year.

Amanda Kirk

May 2021

The Society's Committees

1. THE COUNCIL

The Council directs and manages the Society and governs and controls its affairs. It delegates some of its functions to standing committees, which report regularly to Council. As the Society is a registered charity, members of Council fulfil the role of Trustees. The Council held four ordinary meetings and two special meetings during the year.

The Society's Bye-laws (3.2) state that the total membership of the Council shall be no fewer than 10 people. The Regulations (3.1) state that Council shall comprise the following members:

- the President
- the two Vice-Presidents
- the Treasurer
- the General Secretary
- Elected Members; no more than 15 Fellows of the Society elected by the Fellowship
- Co-opted Members; no more than two Fellows of the Society co-opted by the Council

Council members during the Society year 2020-21 were as follows:

Officers

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President and Chair of Council

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine)

Professor Keith Smith FRSC FLSW, Treasurer

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine)

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine)

Professor Helen Fulton FSA FLSW, Vice-President

(Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences)

Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine)

Elected members

Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine

Dr Sally Davies FLSW

Professor Ieuan Hughes FMedSci FRCP FRCP(C) FRCPCH FLSW

Professor John Jones FLSW

Professor Qiang Shen FLSW

Professor John V Tucker FLSW

Professor Meena Upadhyaya FLSW

Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Professor Roger Awan-Scully FLSW

Professor David Boucher FRHistS AcSS FLSW

Professor Claire Gorrara FLSW

Professor Alma Harris FLSW

Professor Iwan Morus FLSW

Professor Terry Threadgold FLSW

Business, Public Service and Public Engagement

Dr Lynn Williams FLSW

Council members for 2021-22 will be as follows:

Officers

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President and Chair of Council

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine)

Professor Emerita Terry Threadgold FLSW, Treasurer

(Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences)

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

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Professor John V Tucker FLSW

Professor Meena Upadhyaya FLSW

Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Professor Roger Awan-Scully FLSW

Professor Kirsti Bohata FLSW

Professor Claire Gorrara FLSW

Professor Alma Harries FLSW

Professor Iwan Morus FLSW

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2. COMMITTEES

The Society's Royal Charter and Bye-laws give Council the power to "create, dissolve and set terms of reference for such Committees of the Council as it sees fit, which may include persons who are not Council members".

The Society's existing Committees are listed below:

2.1 Executive Committee

Council has delegated power to an Executive Committee. The Executive Committee supports the day to day business of the Society and ensures effective management.

Its current members are:

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President and Chair of Council

Professor Keith Smith FRSC FLSW, Treasurer

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Helen Fulton FSA FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary

Martin Pollard, Chief Executive

Amanda Kirk, Clerk

Its members at the end of the 2021 AGM will be:

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President and Chair of Council

Professor Emerita Terry Threadgold FLSW, Treasurer

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Helen Fulton FSA FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary

Martin Pollard, Chief Executive

Amanda Kirk, Clerk

2.2 General Purposes Committee

The General Purposes Committee ensures that Council has adequate information to enable it to discharge its duties. Its Terms of Reference provide for its membership as follows:

- (i) Members *ex officio*:
 - The President (who shall be Chair)
 - The Vice-President (from the broad category of Science, Technology and Medicine)
 - The Vice-President (from the broad category of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences)
 - The Treasurer
 - The General Secretary;
- (ii) Three members appointed by the Council from among the Fellowship;
- (iii) Such other person or persons not exceeding two in number as the Committee may think fit to co-opt as members.

Its current members are:

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President (Chair)
Professor Keith Smith FRSC FLSW, Treasurer
Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President
Professor Helen Fulton FSA FLSW, Vice-President
Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary
Professor Ceri Davies DLitt FLSW
Professor Colin Hughes FLSW
Professor Julia Thomas FLSW

There are currently no co-opted members on this committee.

Its members at the end of the 2021 AGM will be:

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President (Chair)
Professor Emerita Terry Threadgold FLSW, Treasurer
Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President
Professor Helen Fulton FSA FLSW, Vice-President
Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary
Professor Colin Hughes FLSW
Professor Perumal Nithiarasu FLSW

The Society issued a request for 2 new nominations in February 2021. Only one nomination was received. An additional Committee member will be announced at the AGM.

2.3 Finance Committee

The Finance Committee ensures that Council has adequate information to enable it to discharge its financial responsibilities. This includes compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and other relevant legislation, management of Society budgets, and compliance with external financial reporting standards. Its Terms of Reference provide for its membership as follows:

- (i) *Members ex officio:*
 - The Treasurer (who shall be Chair)
 - The President
 - The General Secretary;
- (ii) Three members appointed by the Council from among the Fellowship;
- (iii) Such other person or persons not exceeding two in number as the Committee may think fit to co-opt as members.

Its current members are:

Professor Keith Smith FRSC FLSW, Treasurer (Chair)
Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE
Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary
Professor Faron Moller FLSW
Professor Terry Threadgold FLSW
Professor John V Tucker FLSW

Its members at the end of the 2021 AGM will be:

Professor Emerita Terry Threadgold FLSW, Treasurer (Chair)
Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE
Dr Sally Davies FLSW
Professor Faron Moller FLSW
Professor John Tucker FLSW

The Society issued a request for 2 new nominations in February 2021. Only one nomination was received. An additional Committee member will be announced at the AGM.

2.4 Governance Appointments Committee

The Governance Appointments Committee Terms of Reference provide for its membership to be as follows:

- (i) *Members ex officio:*
 - The President (who shall be Chair)*
 - The General Secretary
 - The Treasurer

The Vice-President (from the broad category of Science, Technology and Medicine)

The Vice-President (from the broad category of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences)

- (ii) Two members from amongst the Council; one of each gender who are not Officers, appointed by Council
- (iii) Such other Fellow or Fellows, who are not Council members, not exceeding two in number as the Committee may think fit to co-opt

*excluding the Presidential Search Committee which will be chaired by the General Secretary

Its current members are:

P Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE, President (Chair)

Professor Keith Smith FRSC FLSW, Treasurer

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Helen Fulton FRHistS AcSS FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary

Professor Claire Gorrara FLSW

Professor Qiang Shen FLSW

Its members at the end of the 2021 AGM will be:

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Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Helen Fulton FRHistS AcSS FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Alan Shore FInstP FLSW, General Secretary

Professor Claire Gorrara FLSW

Professor Qiang Shen FLSW

2.5 Fellowship Committee

The Fellowship Committee works across all Scrutiny Committees to encourage a greater range of nominations for Fellowship. It proactively identifies suitable candidates to put forward for nomination, seeks out suitable nominees and considers the balance of the Fellowship as a whole (for example, in terms of the Equality Act 2010, subject distribution and geographical distribution). It also finalises each year's nomination forms and election processes in support of these aims. Its Terms of Reference provides for its membership to be as follows:

- (i) Members ex officio:
 - Vice-President, AHSS (who shall be co-Chair)
 - Vice-President, STEMM (who shall be co-Chair)

- (ii) Two members of Council appointed from their number
- (iii) Two members appointed by the Council from among the Fellowship
- (iv) Such other person or persons not exceeding two in number as the Committee may think fit to co-opt as members

Its current members are listed below and will remain the same in 2021-22:

Professor Michael Charlton FInstP FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Helen Fulton FLSW, Vice-President

Professor Robert Beynon FLSW

Dr Sally Davies FLSW

Professor Shareen Doak FLSW

Professor Ieuan Hughes FLSW

Co-opted member:

Professor Hywel R Thomas CBE FREng FRS PLSW MAE

Professor Terry Threadgold FLSW

Medal Committee members 2020/2021

Menelaus Medal

Chair: Professor Hywel Thomas FLSW

Professor Perumal Nithiarasu FLSW

SWIEET representative – Phil Hourahine (non-Fellow)

Frances Hoggan Medal

Chair: Professor Lynne Boddy FLSW

Professor Lisa Collins FLSW

Professor Stuart Palmer FLSW

Professor James Scourse FLSW

Hugh Owen Medal

Chair: Professor Geraint Johnes FLSW

Professor Anne Edwards FLSW

Professor Reyer Zwiggelaar FLSW

Dillwyn Medal: STEMM

Chair: Dr Sally Davies FLSW (new chair)

Professor Neil Champness FLSW

Professor Alan Guwy FLSW

Professor Meena Upadhyaya FLSW

Dillwyn Medal: Social Sciences, Business and Education

Chair: Dr Ceridwen Roberts FLSW

Professor Gordon Cumming FLSW

Professor Kath Woodward FLSW

Dillwyn Medal: Creative Arts and Humanities

Chair: Professor Richard Carwardine FLSW

Professor Matt Jarvis FLSW

Dr Mererid Puw Davies FLSW



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Honours, Prizes & Awards

List of Awards and Honours Granted to Fellows, May 2020 – April 2021

Note: The following list is compiled from Fellows' Bulletins of the past year. The information is arranged by the month in which the news was publicised, not the month in which the award or honour was granted. It does not include book publications or small grant awards.

June 2020

Professor Menna Clatworthy FRCP FMedSci FLSW: elected to the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Professor Claire Gorrara FRHistS FLSW: as Chair of the University Council of Modern Languages, leading a campaign to raise awareness of the vital role the British Council plays in languages education.

Professor David Worsley FIMMM FLSW: winner of the 2020 St David Award for Innovation, Science and Technology in recognition of his work in advanced materials and solar energy.

July 2020

Professor Patrick McGuinness FLSW: awarded The Royal Society of Literature's 2020 Encore Prize, which celebrates the achievement of outstanding second novels, for his novel *Throw Me to the Wolves*.

Dr Rowan Williams (Lord Williams of Oystermouth) PC DD FRSL FLSW FBA: appointed as the new Chair of Trustees of the Council for the Defence of British Universities.

The Rt. Rev. Dr Barry Morgan DD Dlit FLSWDD Dlit FLSW: appointed as the Lay Commissioner with responsibility for Welsh matters on the Judicial Appointments Committee.

August 2020

The National Eisteddfod was postponed for a year but Fellows **Ms Helgard Krause FLSW** and **Professor John Thomas, Lord Thomas of Cwmgiedd FLSW**, were among the names the Gorsedd would have honoured on the Maes in Tregaron in 2020.

September 2020

Professor Catherine Barnard FBA FLSW: elected as a Fellow of the British Academy.

Professor Rick Rawlings FBA FLSW: elected as a Fellow of the British Academy.

October 2020

Professor Sir Richard Catlow FRSC FInstP FLSW FRS: knighted for services to leadership on science and research.

Sir Clive Lewis FLSW, now The Right Hon. Lord Justice Lewis: elevated to the Court of Appeal.

Professor Paul Meredith OBE FLSW: awarded OBE for services to semiconductor research and innovation.

Professor Hywel Morgan MBE FInstP FRSC FIET FLSW: awarded MBE for services to biomedical engineering.

November 2020

The following Fellows were recognised in the Institute of Physics 2020 awards:

Professor Mike Charlton FInstP MAE FLSW: 2020 Joseph Thomson Medal and Prize

Professor John Llewellyn Collier FLSW: 2020 Richard Glazebrook Medal and Prize

Professor Laurence Eaves CBE FRS FLSW: 2020 Nevill Mott Medal & Prize

Dr Drew Nelson OBE FREng DEng FLSW: 2020 Katharine Burr Blodgett Medal and Prize

Professor Byron Morgan FLSW received the Royal Statistical Society (RSS) Barnett Award for 2020. His associated Barnett Lecture was given to the RSS 2020 virtual conference in September, on the topic 'Biodiversity Matters'.

Professor David N. Thomas FRSB FLSW: moved from Bangor University to take up the Chair of Arctic Ecosystem Research at University of Helsinki.

December 2020

Professor Martyn Tranter FRGS FLSW: received the European Geosciences Union Julia and Johannes Weertman Medal. He has also had an Antarctic glacier, the Tranter Glacier, named after him.

Professor David N. Thomas FRSB FLSW: also had an Antarctic glacier named in his honour: the Thomas Glacier.

Professor Geoff Richards FIOR FBSE FRMS FLSW: became a Fellow of the Orthopaedic Research Society.

January 2021

Professor Anthony Campbell CBE FLS FRSA FLSW: awarded CBE for services to biochemistry in the New Year's Honours.

The New York Times chose *War: How Conflict Shaped Us* by Honorary Fellow **Professor Margaret MacMillan CC CH HonFLSW** as one of its 10 best books of 2020.

Yr Athro Hazel Walford Davies FLSW: biography of Sir Owen Morgan Edwards won the University of Wales Sir Ellis Griffith Memorial Prize 2020.

Professor Gert Aarts FLSW: appointed Director of the European Centre for Theoretical Nuclear Physics.

February 2021

Two Fellows appointed as advisers to the Learned Society of Wales' President and Council:

Professor Rick Delbridge FACSS FBAM FLSW: Special Adviser for Research and Innovation

Sir Emyr Jones Parry GCMG FInstP FLSW: Special Adviser for International Affairs

March 2021

Professor Valerie O'Donnell FRSB FLSW awarded the Biochemical Society's 2021 Morton Lecture.



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Election of new Fellows and Honorary Fellows, 2020/21

The Society launched its 2020/21 Election Cycle on 30 June 2020, with Fellows invited to make nominations for election to the Fellowship. At the same time, the Fellowship was invited to submit recommendations to Council for the election of Honorary Fellows.

During this year's cycle, 8.2% of Fellows put forward new names for nomination – a decrease on engagement (11% in 2019/20). That, together with the reduction in nominations, is likely to be due to the impact of COVID. We are keen to encourage more Fellows to become involved as Proposers for future nominations.

The criteria for election to Fellowship and Honorary Fellowship are set out in the Society's Bye-laws and are available here: www.learnedsociety.wales/our-fellows/fellowship-election-cycle/criteria/

Nominations for Honorary Fellowship

Fellows made two recommendations for Honorary Fellowship this year: for Professor Sir Michael Berry and Professor Hazel V. Carby. Council considered these recommendations and resolved that both individuals should be formally nominated. A complete nomination was received for each candidate and Council recommended both for election.

Nominations for Fellowship

Fellows submitted a total of 52 nominations by the closing date of 31 October 2020.

Shortly after the closing date, one more nomination – proposed by a Fellow who had been seriously incapacitated in an accident – was brought to the attention of the staff. With the approval of the President and Vice-Presidents, it was accepted. The total number of nominees considered by the Scrutiny Committees was therefore 53. Of these, 19 had previously been nominated.

	Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine	Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	Business, Public Service and Public Engagement	Total
New Nominations 2020/21	18	8	8	34
Nominees previously nominated and resubmitted for 2020/21	14	2	3	19
Total	32	10	11	53

All 9 Scrutiny Committees operated during the election cycle. Their role was to assess the nominations and decide which nominees should be put forward for election that year.

Five of the committees (A1 to A5) covered the broad academic area of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine (for which Professor Mike Charlton is the responsible Vice-President) and three committees (B1 to B3) covered the area of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (for which Professor Helen Fulton is the responsible Vice-President).

The ninth committee (C1) covered nominations in the category of Business, Public Service and Public Engagement. This category is for nominees who do not necessarily have a demonstrable record of excellence and achievement in the academic disciplines but who *“being members of the professions, the arts, industry, commerce or public service, have made a distinguished contribution to the world of learning”*.

A full list of Scrutiny Committee members is provided in Appendix B.

Scrutiny meetings were held over the period 28 January – 21 February 2021. Two separate meetings of the Vice-Presidents and the Chairs of their subject Scrutiny Committees were also convened, to draw up lists of recommended STEMM and HASS nominees.

In accordance with the Regulations, Council considered the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committees and Vice-Presidents and approved a list of 45 nominees for submission to the Fellowship as a whole, for formal election.

Ballot of Fellows

A ballot including the 45 Fellowship nominees and 2 Honorary Fellowship nominees was circulated to current Fellows on 24 March 2021; the deadline for return was 14 April.

To be elected, a nominee must receive the support of at least 70% of Fellows who return valid ballots by the due date. In all, 285 valid ballots (48% response rate) were returned by the deadline.

The President appointed two Fellows, Professor Tom Crick FLSW and Professor Kath Woodward FLSW, as Scrutineers for the election. On 15 April 2021, they counted the returned ballots in the presence of the Clerk.

Two Honorary Fellows and 45 new Fellows (that is, all of those included on the ballot paper) were elected. The new Fellows elected are listed in Appendix A to this paper.

38% of the new Fellows elected in 2020/21 were women. This was the highest ever proportion of female nominees, and contributed to a continuing, but gradual, increase in the overall proportion of female Fellows in the Society, which now stands at almost 23%.

Formal Welcome and Introduction of Fellows

Honorary Fellows and Fellows elected during the 2020/21 election cycle who are present during the Annual General Meeting will be welcomed to the Society.

In a normal year, new Fellows are formally greeted by the President and asked to sign the Roll of Fellows. Because we are holding this year's AGM over Zoom, this will not be possible. The formal welcome will therefore take place at a later date.



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Honorary Fellows Elected 2020/21

Professor Sir Michael Berry FRS FRSE FRSA HonFLSW

Professor Sir Michael Berry is one of the world's leading theoretical physicists. He has made major contributions to mathematical physics in both the classical and quantum domains and at their interface. His many prizes include the 1990 Royal Medal of the Royal Society, the 1996 Dirac Medal of the International Centre for Theoretical Physics, the 1998 Wolf Prize and the 2005 Polya Prize. He is Melville Wills Professor of Physics (Emeritus) at Bristol University.

Professor Hazel Veronica Carby

Professor Hazel V. Carby is a pioneer in the fields of black feminism and as a leading scholar in black diasporic literature and culture. Among other honours, she has been awarded the American Studies Association's Jay B. Hubbell Medal for lifetime achievement in American Literature, and the British Academy's Nayef Al-Rodhan Prize for Global Cultural Understanding. She is Professor Emeritus of African American Studies and American Studies at Yale University.

Fellows Elected 2020/21

Professor Ann Ager FLSW

Professor of Cellular Immunity and Immunotherapy, Cardiff University

Mr David Allen OBE HonLLD FLSW

Formerly Chair, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales

Professor Gwyn Bellamy FLSW

Professor of Mathematics, University of Glasgow

Professor David Benton FLSW

Professor of Psychology, Swansea University

Dr Louise Bright FLSW

Director of Research and Business Engagement, University of South Wales

Professor Monica Busse FLSW

Director of Mind, Brain, Neuroscience Trials, Centre for Trials Research, Cardiff University

Professor Alan Dix FBCS FLSW

Director of the Computational Foundry, Swansea University

Professor Edwin Egede FHEA FLSW

Professor of International Law and International Relations, Cardiff University

Professor Paul Emery OBE FLSW

Versus Arthritis Professor of Rheumatology, University of Leeds

Professor Tess Fitzpatrick FACSS FLSW

Professor of Applied Linguistics, Swansea University

Ms Paula Gardiner FTCL FLSW

Head of Jazz Studies, Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama

Professor Neil Glasser FLSW

Pro-Vice Chancellor, Faculty of Earth and Life Sciences, Aberystwyth University

Professor Helen Griffiths FRSB FLSW

Pro-Vice Chancellor Research and Innovation, Swansea University

Professor William Griffiths FRSC FLSW

Professor of Mass Spectrometry, Swansea University

Professor John Harrington FLSW

Professor of Global Health Law, Cardiff University

Professor Maria Hinfelaar FHEA FLSW

Vice-Chancellor and Chief Executive, Wrexham Glyndŵr University

Professor Wen Jiang MBE FRSB FRSM FLSW

Professor of Surgery and Tumour Biology, Cardiff University

Professor Richard A.L. Jones FInstP FLSW FRS

Professor of Materials Physics and Innovation Policy, University of Manchester

Professor Harshinie Karunaratna FHEA FLSW

Professor of Engineering, Swansea University

Professor Robert Knipe FGS FLSW

Emeritus Professor of Structural Geology, University of Leeds

Professor David Lamb FRSB FRSC FLSW

Professor of Biomedical Sciences, Swansea University

Rev Dorian Llywelyn SJ FLSW

President, Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies at the University of Southern California

Professor Emerita Marian Ludgate FLSW

Professor Emerita Molecular Endocrinology, Cardiff University

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