

BSWI MONTHLY RECORD 4 MAY 2024 BSWI ANNUAL MEETING



INTRODUCTION

The Secretary opened the meeting by welcoming two ladies from Sawbridgeworth WI who would be acting as tellers for the elections. There were 32 members present and 2 visitors.

ANNUAL MEETING

- The Secretary opened the Annual Meeting by summarising her Annual Report which had been circulated to members beforehand. (A copy is attached). The report was accepted unanimously, proposed by Kim Henson and seconded Linda Houghton.
- The co-opted Treasurer then explained her report and the Financial Statement. (Copies are attached). This was accepted unanimously, proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by Maggie Eccleston.
- The President then gave her annual address in which she thanked all members of the Committee for their work and support during the past year. BSWI now has eleven activity groups and she thanked all the leaders who organise these groups.
- The Secretary gave a special thank you in memory of Edd Banister who supported his wife and WI members in so many ways and will be greatly missed.
- All the members of the Committee stood down and the names of the ten nominations were read out
 by the teller. Each nominee was identified to the members and all were accepted as the new Committee.
 A paper ballot was organised for the position of President and Anne Banister agreed to continue for
 another year.

RESOLUTION

All WI's had previously voted on four suggested resolutions and the most votes went to "Dental Health Matters". Maggie Eccleston summarised the problems facing dentists on the new government contracts. This was accepted by members and will be taken forward to the Annual Conference in June by the BSWI's linked delegate from Much Hadham.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

BSWI celebrated its 13^{th} anniversary with a special cake made by a member. Others had brought scones, cream and home-made jam. The birthday hamper was won by a visitor and the f in a bucket money was distributed. Birthday cards were given out.

OTHER BUSINESS

Several members had attended the funeral of the President's husband earlier that day and the Secretary suggested that those who wished could donate to the two charities named in his memory, the local Air Ambulance and the Hospitallers. The collection raised £190 which will be divided between the two charities.

(Notes compiled by Barbara Bradbear, Secretary BSWI)