

## **The Nutrition Society**

### **MINUTES OF THE 10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY MEETING OF THE NUTRITION SOCIETY, A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

Held at 10 Cambridge Court, London and by Video Conference  
14.00 on Tuesday 6 July 2021

Professor Julie Lovegrove, President of the Society, was in the Chair  
and 54 members were in attendance

**1(i) Welcome and apologies for absence**

The President welcomed members to the 10th Annual Charity Meeting.

**1(ii) Minutes of 9th Annual Charity Meeting**

The minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity meeting were approved by the meeting.

*The proposer was Dr Dean Sewell and the seconder was Dr Adrienne Cullum.*

**2. The President's report**

The President (Professor Julie Lovegrove) re-affirmed the six principal activities as being:

1. Publishing six internationally renowned learned journals;
2. Publishing nutrition textbooks
3. Dissemination of scientific information through its publications and an annual programme of scientific conferences.
- 4 Providing education and training for nutrition professionals and members.
- 5 Developing collaboration with nutrition societies around the world.
- 6 The provision of membership services

Professor Lovegrove provided the meeting with an overview of the key achievements and events for the Society in 2020 using a series of infographics (a copy is attached to these minutes). She concluded by thanking the members of the Trustee Board, Council, volunteers and staff for their work and support.

**3. The approved annual accounts of the Society**

The Treasurer, Professor Chris Seal, delivered the annual accounts. He reported the accounts had been audited by BWMcFarlane with no reported formal observations. 2020 was a satisfactory year, financially, for the Society. The Society recorded income of £1,520,141 of which £1,315,700 came from publishing the Society's journals. Expenses for the year across all activities totalled £1,099,229 which was reduced from the previous year due to the inability to hold in-person conferences during the pandemic. Professor Seal described the drop in the value of the Society's investment portfolio from its 2020 opening value due to a planned cash withdrawal for Society working expenditure, and the effects of the pandemic on the market. He reported a closing portfolio value of £981,774 showing a considerable recovery in value from a low point in April 2020. In concluding, Professor Seal stated that with a net worth of £2,567,974, the Society is in a strong position to meet all its immediate financial commitments and objectives.

The accounts were received in full.

*The proposer was Ms Barbara Bray and the seconder was Professor Alison Gallagher.*

**4. To elect Trustees**

Professor Lovegrove thanked trustee Dr Carrie Ruxton, who is standing unopposed for another three years, and affirmed that Professor John Brameld and Dr Anastasia Kalea are standing as trustees and are also elected unopposed.

*The proposer was Professor Ailsa Welch and the seconder was Professor Alison Gallagher.*

**5. To elect Council Members**

Professor Lovegrove said that in terms of the Advisory Council, Dr Louise Durrant is standing as the member for Industry unopposed. The results of the ballot for the election of the Advisory Council position for Public Health was announced. Dr Charlotte Evans is elected as Advisory Council member for Public Health.

*The proposer was Professor Ailsa Welch and the seconder was Professor Alison Gallagher.*

6. **To transact any other Business of the Society**

No other business was submitted prior to the meeting; Professor Julie Lovegrove drew the meeting to a close.

7. **Meeting concludes**

There being no further business, this concluded the meeting at 1430 hrs.

Professor J Lovegrove  
President