**SUMMARY**

**OF PROCEEDINGS AT A MEETING**

**OF THE**

**COUNCIL OF THE BRITISH CONNEMARA PONY SOCIETY**

**HELD 2nd FEBRUARY 2021 ON ZOOM TELECONFERENCING**

**Minutes** of the meeting held on 8th December 2019 were approved.

**Under Matters Arising:**

* Safeguarding Course. Lauren Stokeld reported that she was undertaking a course which included vulnerable adults as well as children.
* Appointment of Regional Representatives. Sue Gillingham has been appointed as Regional Representative for Chiltern and Thames and Katie Common has been appointed as Regional Representative for Scotland - North.
* Enquiries would be made about the booking for the AGM /PAS Prizegiving at the Honiley Court Hotel, nr Warwick on 21st November 2021.
* The printing of the PAS flyer was agreed with the choice of photographs left to the PAS Committee.

**Under Finance and General Purposes:**

* The 2019 draft financial statements were reviewed.
* Peter Edwards was appointed as the accountant to review the Society's 2020 accounts.
* As Grass Roots have discontinued their accounts package it was agreed that the Society would now use Xero which is recommended by Grass Roots.
* It was agreed that 'ring fenced' funds should be kept in a separate bank account.
* The feasibility of commissioning a new website was discussed.
* Orphans quote of £5,996 for printing 600 Chronicles with 252 pages was accepted.

**Under Registration**

* The venues and dates for the 2021 Colt Inspections were discussed. The Colt Inspectors for 2021 were chosen by ballot. To date 23 colt owners had expressed interest in having their colt inspected.
* Three premium applications were discussed and refused due to the rule that states the animal must be living at the time of the application.

**Under Regional Representatives Meeting.**

* It was reported that this had been a success with only one representative unable to attend the Zoom meeting. Another meeting is planned for early August.

**Under Shows**

* The draft timetable was discussed

Entrymaster was chosen as the online entry system.

* It was reported that Anne Ward is now in charge of show affiliations.

**Under SEBA**

* It was agreed that Dianna Staveley would be appointed as the Society's representative.

**Under Promotion at Shows or Other Events**

* It was agreed that no merchandise would be ordered until it was known if the Show could go ahead.
* It was agreed that engraved glass tumblers could be made to order with one ordered as a sample.

**Under Any Other Business**

* It was agreed that the Society would run another "fun" show online featuring ponies in their winter coats.

**Date of Next Meeting**

* 13th April 2021