**COVENTRY AND WARWICKSHIRE LOCAL OPTOMETRIC COMMITTEE AGM**

**TUESDAY 19TH MAY 2020**

**VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**

(COVID-19)

MEETING OPENS: 6.25PM

MINUTE TAKER; Sukhi Cheema

Those present; Jason Rice (chair), Gurpreet Bains (Vice), Dilesh Makwana (Sec), Kiran Bola (Treas), Suresh Munyal, Mike Harris, Susan Bowers, Francesca Marchetti, Jane Kempton, Russell Peake, Raj Jogia, Jon Belcher, Sukhi Cheema.

Appologies: Lynne Rigby.

Total participants 80 online.

Dilesh proposed Jason Rice as Chair for the meeting and seconded by Russell.

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Jason and seconded by Francesca. Jason did correct funding was to be sourced from NHS England, however this was dismissed as it was not currently possible.

Francesca started by welcoming all the familiar faces.

**Treasure’s report**

Kiran presented the balance sheet for all attendees on screen, which will be emailed to all. We started with £59,916.41, received statutory levy for sight tests of £48,388.35. Payed LOCSU for their support and explained expenditures and variables. Leaving a credit of £55,751.85 a healthy balance for this year. The report was approved and proposed by Jon and seconded by Russel. All in favour of the accounts by the show of hands.

**Chairman’s report**

Jason thanked everyone on the committee for all their hard work over the year.

This year South Warwickshire had CCG introduce CHEC for all referrals, they continue to provide limited MECS services. Due to COVID-19 outbreak, the set-up of essential and emergency eyecare to be partly undertaken by Health Harmony group.

There have been no changes to the services currently provided in Coventry. However, this is due for renewal in 6 months.

No current news on the commencing of routine sight test.

Jason expressed his thanks to Richard Rawlinson from LOCSU, for all his support.

A big thank you to all the retiring committee members, Joy retiring, Russell and Chabaan stepping down. Bev our long-term minutes taker, thank you for all your great work, always accurate and made to look easy. We are excited to welcome 3 new members.

Jason also mentioned the difficulty in obtaining PPE, he was now buying through Amazon.

Francesca wanted members (especially locums) to be aware of webinar through Thea group.

**Polling**

Russell as the admin explained the need to vote for one candidate for Rugby in the first pole. Second pole to select two further candidates for Warwickshire. Any difficulties to report through private chat to Raj.

All attendees voted.

New Committee members voted as follows;

Claire Hawkins (Rugby)

Laura Peake (Warwickshire)

Krupa Mistry (Warwickshire)

This was proposed by Dilesh and seconded by Mike.

Susan Introduced Nicola Logan and her ongoing work on myopia management at Aston University.

The new committee member were announced by Russell as Claire Hawkins, Laura Peake and Krupa Mistry.

All the committee welcomed the new members.

There being no further business the AGM was closed at 7.50pm.

The next AGM to be confirmed due to current COVID-19 situation.