



**BREWING FOOD & BEVERAGE INDUSTRY SUPPLIERS ASSOCIATION
WESTERN SECTION
EIGHTY FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

FRIDAY, 3RD JULY 2020 VIA ZOOM

MINUTES

Present	M Banks	Hon Section Chairman
	M Shelley	Air Control Industries
	R Atkinson	KegStar
	R Wilson	CML inc Off Zero Ltd
	W Rogers	Charles Faram
	N Gibbons	Crisp Malting Group
	P Redman	Diversey
	M White-Sharman	Durr Technik
	R Maddison	Mapex
	M Jones	Pipeline Products
	R Lewis	Honorary Member
	M Rayner	Honorary Member
	R Evans MBE	BFBi, CEO

1. Apologies for absence:

R Cousens, D Anderson

2. Minutes of last General Meeting:

Accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's Report:

Chairman welcomed all attendees to the meeting, noting that he had thoroughly enjoyed his year as Chairman.

The annual dinner, held at The Grand, Bristol, although lower than hoped in numbers, was very well received, with the less formal format received positively. All feedback was that everybody had a chance to mingle and network.

Although a lunch had been arranged to be held on 16th October at The Queens, in Cheltenham, it had been agreed to cancel – due to COVID – and to hold in September/October 2021.

A Strike & Dine event was held, as an informal networking event and, again, although numbers were lower than hoped, all that attended felt it was a worthwhile networking event and should be repeated.

Focusing upon the immediate future, it has been decided that the 16th October should still host the proposed seminar but in zoom format – inviting section members to present on “Restart” and COVID topics of interest to industry.

Chairman closed by thanking the committee, in particular those new committee members, for their continued support.

4. Accounts 2019

Current Western members as of June 2019

Full Members 23 Associate 10

Income & Expenditure for year ended 31st December 2019:

Income: (£507)
Expenditure: £150
Deficit: (£ 655)

Current Account £1259.52
Deposit Account £1047.10
TOTAL: £2306.62

Noted that the loss in the year was half that in 2018 and, had the lunch taken place at minimum numbers of 60, a surplus would have been made.

5. Elections, en bloc

Chairman – Mark Banks
Vice Chairman- Nigel Gibbons
Treasurer - Ray Wilson
Management Representative – Will Rogers

All above positions proposed and seconded by Committee.

Committee – M Shelley, R Redman, M White-Sharman, R Maddison, M Jones, R Cousens

Proposed by R Evans MBE

Seconded by R Atkinson

6. Any Other Business:

Virtual Meetings: R Maddison noted that zoom had positively facilitated the ability to hold committee and membership meetings

Merging of Sections: the meeting discussed the practicalities of merging Western Section with London & Home Counties Section. CEO to forward to the committee, member numbers in Thames Valley and Western area counties of the Section for further discussion.

Suggested that members within these areas be invited to attend the next committee meeting.

There being no other business, the Annual General Meeting closed.

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