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CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE 54th AGM OF THE KARORI BRIDGE CLUB (KBC), Saturday, 09 September, 2023

The meeting opened at **6.47 pm** with 32 members present.

Co-President, Sharleen Grounds, welcomed 32 club members to the 54th AGM of the KBC.

1. PRESENT:

Alys Freeman, Andrew Chambers, Annette Prebble, Audrey Thompson, Barbara Taylor, Bobbie Monigatti, Carl Burgess, Catherine O'Driscoll, Chris Bolland, David Eyre, Donna Chin, Graham Halliday, Harry Gibbons, Heather Burgess, Heather Montgomery, Irene Cooney, Jocelyn Fagerstrom, John Sutherland, Kathryn Flynn, Klaus Dorbecker, Lars Fagerstrom, Luke Kelly, Lynn Freeman, Martin Butcher, Michael Appleby, Olivia Sawrey, Peter Delahunty, Richard Huelin, Sharleen Grounds, Simon Stephens, Sue Sutherland, Sue Turkington.

2. APOLOGIES: The following apologies were noted and received:

Alan Watson, Andrew Smith, Annesley Moiseiwitsch, Arvind Zodgekar, Barbara Leach, Bernie Brown, Carmen Chambers, Cate Crombie, Christina Mander, Clare Craig, Clare Falkner, David Don, Debbie Gapes, Denise Hutana, Dianne Johnson, Don Sarratt, Duncan Blaikie, Elaine Pearse, Garry Robertson, Gerry Cooper, Graeme Sanders, Helen Carr, Hillary Patton, Ian Duthie, Janet Lockett, Jean Bretherton, Jean Williams, Jennifer Button, Jenny Coulter, Jenny Mills, Jill Dodson, Jill Fenaughty, Jo Gilliat-Smith, John Weatherly, Joy McNicoll, Judit Farquhar, Judy Glackin, Karen Falconer, Kevin Carr, Klaus Cordes, Leah Braham, Martyn Rew, Matt McKenzie, Murray Carpenter, Natalie Winter, Nic Sperring, Noel Gilmore, Paul Devadatta, Paul Emsley, Peter Wilcox, Pip Murdoch, Rae Julian, Rags Vinjimoore, Ros Lambrechtsen, Sathi Sathiyandra, Shalini Zodgekar, Stephanie Smith, Susan Young, Thu Dzung Nguyen, and Yvonne Eulink.

3. MINUTES OF THE 2022 AGM:

The minutes of the 2022, (53rd), meeting of the AGM of the KBC were accepted and approved subject to amendments to: (a) item No 5, page 2 (under the 2021-22 Financial Report) to reflect the correct year of the statements; (b) item No 6 to show Mr Terry Bastion was once again proposed for the position of honorary financial reviewer not auditor as recorded; and (c) on page 3, item No 8 be amended to show the confirmation of honoraria was for the 2022-23 year not 2021-22.

Moved: Sharleen Grounds (Chair)

Carried

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR:

President, Sharleen Grounds presented her report for the past year highlighting a number of key achievements, thanking those who have volunteered their services over the year including Committee members, player mentors, grade captains, card dealers and tournament convenors and helpers; plus those who had additionally assisted with property maintenance, the club website and social media, IT support, bar management, and provision of flowers.

Sharleen Grounds (Chair) **moved the adoption of her report.**

Carried

A copy of Sharleen's report is to be filed with hard copies of the AGM documents.

5. LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION FOR CHRISTINA MANDER:

The AGM received a rationale supporting a 2022-23 KBC Committee motion to the AGM to award life membership to Christina Mander. The proposal to formally award life membership to Christina was: **Moved Audrey Thompson; Sec: Jocelyn Fagerstrom. Carried unanimously**

6a. 2022-23 FINANCIAL REPORT:

Graham Halliday (Treasurer) tabled both the KBC Financial Report and Balance Sheet for the 2022-23 financial year together with a proposed 2023-24 budget. Further, the Treasurer reported the hard work that was involved over the year to fill vacant tenancies including the mezzanine area which was difficult to let due to its low ceiling height. AGM attendees noted that all available rental space was currently tenanted and that the process of updating tenancies, commenced in the year just ended, would continue over 2023-24 and that while tenancies were currently for one year with, generally, a one year right of renewal, the club was looking at pushing these out.

A final income of \$86,185 from rental against a projected budget of \$85,162 was noted as was a total income from all sources of \$161,103. This result was some \$29,741 more than 2021-22 actuals and \$15,050 above the 2022-23 budget. AGM attendees also noted:(a) total cash expenditure for 2022-23 of \$146,428 showed an increase of \$6,282 over budget and \$20,192 more than total cash expenditure in 2021-22; while (b) total 2022-23 expenditure inclusive of depreciation at \$163,058 revealed an actual deficit for the 2022-23 year of (\$8,096) or \$221 less than budget and \$5,891 less than the 2021-22 actual total expenditure inclusive of depreciation.

Before moving the adoption of his report the Treasurer also: (a) clarified the club's current insurance coverage and costs and confirming the club currently had total insurance cover including both earthquake and fire insurance but cautioned the club's insurance costs, at \$27,375, had increased 20% over the previous year and would likely rise again posing a growing and major expense item for the club; (b) confirmed a long term maintenance plan for the premises was of an increasing priority and was being developed; and (c) clarified the position of the club's debtors, and its approach to dealing with depreciation.

The Financial Report and Balance Sheet for 2022-23 and the 2023-24 proposed budget were formally received and adopted. **(Moved: Graham Halliday (Treasurer)/Sec: Annette Prebble Carried**

Copies of the 2022-23 Financial Report and 2023-24 budget will be included with file copies of the draft 2023 AGM minutes.

6b. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY REVIEWER:

Mr Terry Bastion was once again proposed for, and elected to, the position of honorary financial reviewer. **Carried**

7. HONORARIA (FOR 2023-24):

The President Sharleen Grounds, presented and moved a proposal to change the previous table and format of honoraria to be shared with all Committee members at a reduced rate, and exclusive of cash payments, instead providing Committee members with annual club membership fees and NZ Bridge levies, and free entry to KBC tournaments during the term of the new Committee; and 25 table vouchers for each of the club's office holders at a total estimated cost of between \$3,000 and \$4,000 against a current cost to the club of \$8,000 if all office holders accepted an approved honorarium.

After some robust debate, with views both for and against presented from the floor of the meeting, the proposal was put to members present and was carried by a majority of members by secret ballot. **Moved Sharleen Grounds (Chair)** **Carried**

8. RECOMMENDED AMENDMENTS TO THE KBC CONSTITUTION (THE RULES OF THE KARORI BRIDGE CLUB INC.)

The following rule amendments to the Club Constitution were moved by the President and approved by voice vote: (a) minor editorial amendments to rules, 16,18, and 36 (as tabled); (b) amendments to rules 38, 40, 42, and 43 to align the Constitution to the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022 which was soon to come into force; (c) amendments removing the ability of Associate and Youth members in voting at general meetings of the club; and (d) amendments to rules 17 and 18 to enable the Committee as a whole to determine the various office holders of the club after first being confirmed as Committee members of the Club at the club's AGM; with the Committee (other than a retiring President who would remain an ex officio member of the Committee) to be elected each year at the AGM from written and signed nominations delivered to the Secretary 14 days prior to the AGM, and, in the case of nominations exceeding the required number, the final make-up of the Committee to be determined by ballot as directed by the Chairperson of the AGM with the event of an equality of votes selection to be then drawn by lot as directed by the meeting Chairperson.

9. ELECTION OF THE 2023-24 KBC COMMITTEE:

The following received written and seconded nominations for election to the Committee of the KBC for the 2023-24 financial year and their election was subsequently confirmed:
Alys Freeman, Andrew Chambers, Chris Bolland, Donna Chin, Gerry Cooper, Jean Williams, Karen Falconer, Klaus Dorbecker, Olivia Sawrey, and Sharleen Grounds.

The AGM noted the current Secretary, Harry Gibbons, withdrew his initial nomination for Club Secretary and was formally thanked for his services to the club over the five and a half years he had been in the role.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS:

10.1 Insurance Cover:

Members present noted the Committee had considered dropping earthquake cover but decided to retain doing so in the meantime also noting: (a) if earthquake cover was dropped the club may not get it back again; (b) any move to increase the club's excess would not affect the premium; and (c) any change of provider would likely mean the need to undertake a building evaluation at a cost of \$2,500.

10.2 Community Grants:

The Club noted the potential to obtain funding for specific projects via community grants and members present were asked to assist in any way they might be able to identify possible sources of such funding and to advise the Committee.

10.3 Bar Licence:

The meeting noted some concern about the decision not to continue with a liquor licence, instead moving to a BYO basis, fearing a potential loss, or reduction, of the quality of the social aspect of club activities.

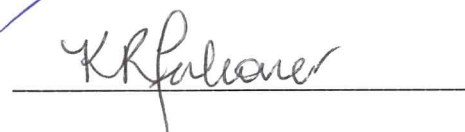
10.4 Building Sale:

The Secretary reiterated the 2021-22 history of initial interest in purchasing the club premises and advised that interest from the parties involved had clearly lapsed but that other interested parties may yet come forward at some point in the future with an interest in purchase.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.45 pm.

Signed:

 Chair

 Secretary

 Treasurer

Date: 16 September 2024