



Minutes of the 59th Annual General Meeting

Held at the Club House on 8th June 2024 at 11:30am

The President Neil Strutton welcomed all to the AGM, especially our Life Members Lorraine Fredericks, Sue Eix and Margaret Prentice and the four past Presidents in attendance- Lorraine Fredericks, Bill Heath, Larry Moses and Margaret Prentice and declared the meeting open.

A quorum was established.

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance:

23 as per the attendance list.

Apologies:

45 as per the apologies list.

2. Minutes of the previous AGM held on 10th June 2023:

The minutes of the 2022 AGM were taken as read.

Motion that the Minutes be received as a true and accurate record of the Annual General Meeting of 12th June 2023.

Moved: John Cremona; **Seconded;** Ingrid Hartel; **Carried.**

3. Business Arising from the minutes of the previous AGM:

None

4. President's Report:

The President's Report had previously been circulated. President Neil Strutton mentioned some of the significant events of 2023/2024

- TBC has had two major projects this year.
 - (I) The renovations which have suffered several cancellations but are now continuing.
 - (ii) The installation of a totally new air conditioning system with the major cost being covered by a grant from the Lord Mayor's Fund.
- TBC has again successfully hosted the river City Gold Congress. The organization of the actual Congress as well as the superb catering was highly praised by those attending. Janet Lovell convened it and the Catering team of Sue English, Marsha Knoll, Marge Henry, Anthea Stevenson, Ingrid Hartel and Pam Tranberg did a marvelous job.
- Casual Bridge sessions have been introduced this year under the leadership of Sherrell Cardinal and Janice Little to cater for members needing a less stressful playing environment and is attracting a good following.
- The Education Programme, under the leadership of Sue Eix and supported by supervised practice leaders, Margaret Prentice and Robin Stevens, continues to provide a great introduction to Bridge.
- Larry Moses continues to provide Mentoring sessions for motivated players with many thanks to the experienced players who act as mentors.
- I would like to thank the many volunteers who contribute their time to maintaining our great Club especially noting the work of Larry Moses and Hanna Majjewski in tending to the garden.
- I have been blessed with a good Committee of talented and hard-working people. I feel privileged to have been part of this team.

Motion: That the President's Report be accepted

Moved: Neil Strutton; **Seconded:** Bill Heath; **Carried.**

5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Report:

The Treasurer's Report and Financial Report have been circulated to all members.

The Treasurer, David Sydes made some additional comments. We are in a sound financial position with a \$16,000 surplus for the year. Table fees and supervised play fees have increased in volume which is good for the long-term future of the Club. There have been increased costs in some areas but decreased costs in printing. There has been some interest gained on deposits as rates have lifted to 5.0%. We have received a grant of \$120,000 from the Lord Mayor's Fund for the replacement of air conditioning equipment. There is ongoing work being undertaken by Brisbane City Council which is of no cost to TBC.

I would like to thank all the members for their support and especially Cath Carkeet who has undertaken a lot of rote work to make my job easier in managing our finances.

Marge Henry questioned the increase in energy consumption. David Sydes explained that the major costs in cooling have doubled. Our return from the solar panels is very small, and we are investigating how effective or not that they are. In addition, the modern air conditioning system will probably help as there has been concern that the old one had not been working effectively.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report and Financial Report be accepted
Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Bill Heath; **Carried.**

6. Appointment of Auditor:

The Financial Report was audited without qualification again this year.

Motion: That the Auditor's Report be accepted

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Sue English; **Carried.**

Motion: That Super Funds Audit Pty Ltd, of which Barry Williams is principal, be appointed auditor.

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Sue English; **Carried.**

7. Election of Management Committee Members:

Neil Strutton took the chair for election of the President. Caroline Nelson accepted the nomination and took the Chair. She announced that the position of Vice President was uncontested, and Neil Strutton was appointed. She then announced that the remainder of the positions of the 2024-2025 Committee were uncontested.

Motion: that the nominations be accepted.

Moved: Neil Sutton. **Seconded:** Ingrid Hartel; **Carried.**

The **2024/2025 Management Committee** is:

President: Caroline Nelson; Vice President: Neil Strutton; Secretary: Judy Vann; Treasurer: David Sydes; Committee Members: Sue English, Irene Komen, Janet Lovell, Jo Neary, Margaret Prentice Sherrell Cardinal

8. Approval for Disbursement of Honoraria:

The schedule prepared by the honorarium sub-committee was circulated.

Motion: That the schedule be adopted.

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Wal Brake; **Carried**

9. General Business:

No agenda items or motions on notice.

The meeting closed at 12:15am.

Signed by:

Caroline Nelson.....

President

Judy Vann

Secretary

Date:

ADDENDUM.

Questions from the floor were accepted.

(i) Questions about the air-conditioning as there have been lots of complaints over the last year. David Sydes explained that this should no longer be a problem as we can alter settings if required. It will be set at 21degrees. In addition, the current system has sensors activating changes in temperature at table level and this will provide a more comfortable overall temperature. Keith Evans explained the movement of air in and out of the Club and the impact of external air on the system.

(ii) Marge Henry mentioned our Facebook page and encouraged people to visit it. There will be photos there about the meeting and asks that people provide input.

(iii) Ingrid Hartel enquired if we had CCTV Cameras. Not at present. There

had been some car damage in the parking lot.