

## MINUTES OF THE 63<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting  
held at 182 Coward Street Mascot  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 5pm

The Chairperson, Deborah Atkins opened the meeting by welcoming the thirty-two attendees, including those opting to participate via zoom, as per the attendees' registration book.

Before the commencement of official business, the Chairperson took the opportunity of convening a minute's silence to pay respects to those members who had passed in the last year.

The meeting was then formally declared open with the welcome extended to official guest, Dominic Strati, the club's auditor.

On confirming a quorum for the meeting, the Chairperson advised that, as no notice of motions had been lodged with the Secretary prior to the cut off period of 14 days, only agenda items specified in the notice would be dealt with at the meeting. Any other questions were invited after the meeting's close.

### 1. APOLOGIES

*Motion that apologies received from Basil King, Evelyn King, Chris Knapton and Zita Malinauskaite be accepted.*

Moved Tom Vose

Seconded Graham Robinson

**Motion carried.**

### 2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President gave a brief overview of the events of 2021 and the Board's future aspirations for the club.

It was noted that 2021 was a remarkable year for many reasons including the second COVID lockdown. Despite this challenge, the club was able to retain the majority of its staff and used the downtime to effectively improve facilities including the restrooms, outdoor gaming pod, TAB, and furnishings in the Lounge and Dining areas.

Net profit after depreciation and tax was comparable to 2020 with both years affected by mandatory shutdowns, ongoing restrictions and compliance costs. 2021 was also affected by a reduction of business support from the Federal and State governments.

Despite this, the club will be endeavouring to support local sport and community groups such as Mascot Junior Rugby League Football Club, Mascot Netball Club, Bayside Women's Shelter and others in 2022.

Appreciation was expressed for the club's steady handed management, the commitment of staff and the strategic decisions made by the Board.

### **3. MINUTES OF THE 62<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

*Motion that the minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting be received and adopted.*

Moved Keith Shole

Seconded Barbara Shole

**Motion carried.**

### **4. FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Chairperson introduced the club's auditor, Dominic Strati and asked him to provide a review of the accounts.

Mr Strati noted that all accounts were in order and that the club fully complied with all relevant regulations. He confirmed the club was in a very good financial position with strong members' equity due to sound management.

After giving an overview of the club's accounts, the meeting was open to queries from the floor. There were no queries.

*Motion that the Income and Expenditure Accounts, the Balance Sheet, Report of Directors and the Report to the Auditors, be received, considered and adopted.*

Moved Gregory Delprode

Seconded Pam Vose

**Motion carried.**

### **5. ELECTION OF AUDITORS**

*Motion that the Auditors Dominic Strati & Associates be reappointed for ensuing year and that remuneration payable to the auditors be fixed.*

Moved Janette Johnston

Seconded Russel Atkins

**Motion carried.**

### **6. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with the requirement of the biennial election rule outlined at Rule 24.1(b) of the Club's Constitution, seven (7) directors will be elected in 2022.

The Chairperson introduced the Club Secretary to receive the results of the ballot for positions of directors and declare the successful nominees elected.

Ian McMillan declared all positions vacant and confirmed that the club had offered and advertised a pre-nomination course for Directors and closing date for nominations for positions on the Board. At the close of nominations, seven nominations had been received with no positions contested. It was confirmed that all nominees had satisfied all required criteria including appropriate training and qualifications as per the club's constitution.

Mr McMillan confirmed that each nomination was prepared to stand before announcing them duly elected.

The Club's Board members for 2022/23 are Deborah Atkins, Ross Marshall, Mark Blizzard, Michael Comminos, Michael King, Victoria Talbot and Sophie Lumsden.

*Motion to receive the results of the ballot for positions of Directors and declare the successful nominees elected.*

**Moved** Gregory Delprode

**Seconded** Janette Johnston

**Motion carried.**

## **7. FIX DIRECTORS' HONORARIUMS AND EXPENSES**

*Motion to approve and fix Directors' honorariums and expenses for the forthcoming year as pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act;*

- a) Directors Honorariums
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| President          | \$ 16,000.00 |
| Vice President (1) | \$ 6,000.00  |
| Directors (5)      | \$ 4,000.00  |
- b) Reasonable meals and beverages at Board meetings or at sub-committee meetings for Directors and sub-committee members.
- c) Reasonable expenses in relation to accommodation, meals and beverages allowances, seminar and conference fees, travelling costs for directors attending annual general meetings and extraordinary general meetings, seminars, official meetings held or approved by the registered club's association or any affiliated body. Reasonable expenses for partners attending any or all of the above where approved by the Board will also apply.
- d) Reasonable expenses for Directors and their partners at the Directors' Annual Dinner.
- e) The reasonable cost of Directors attending other clubs for the purpose of observing their facilities and methods of operation.
- f) Attendance at functions, with partners where appropriate and required, to represent the club.

The members acknowledge that the benefits in paragraphs A,B,C,D,E and F are not available to members generally but only available to those who are Directors of the club.

**Moved** Gregory Delprode

**Seconded** Janette Johnston

**Motion carried.**

As there was no further business, the meeting was declared closed. Members were invited to make a comment or ask informal questions afterwards if they wished.

Following the success of the Members' Christmas Party after the necessary cancellation of previously planned events, it was suggested additional members'

nights be held. In light of the improving COVID situation, this will be further investigated by management.

Feedback was received about the enjoyment of the club facilities by members.

The meeting closed at 5:25pm.

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Following the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, a separate meeting of the newly re-elected Board of Directors was called in order to determine incumbents for the position of Club President and Club Vice-President as per the club's constitution.

All Board members were present at this meeting. The CEO oversaw proceedings.

Deborah Atkins was duly elected to the role of President unopposed, and Ross Marshall to the role of Vice-President unopposed.

*Motion that Deborah Atkins be appointed to the role of President, and Ross Marshall be appointed to the role of Vice-President of the South Sydney Graphic Arts Club Mascot.*

**Moved and carried**