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Doors were closed at 8.00 pm. & MK- declared Meeting Open.

He welcomed everyone with special mention to Michael Daley & our Auditor Mr Garry Day to the 69th AGM of Randwick Golf Club

MK - It is presumed all members attending have signed the register indicating as 6 & 7 day members. If not, please do so now. The elected Board of Directors list for this year will be presented after the financial report and Director's declaration.

Call for apologies. No apologies to MH.

Any apology from floor- Amanda Moore & Kathy Armstrong .

At the completion of apology MK requested everyone, if & when speaking then, please say your Name & Membership Number for the recording purposes.

AGENDA

Agenda Item # 1: *-To confirm the minutes of the 68th AGM.*

Minutes for the last AGM meeting were tabled. MK-Is there any business arising Or amendments to be noted from the minutes of last year's AGM?

MOVER- Alex Smith SECONDER-Glenn Haines

Minutes of 68th AGM accepted & carried.

Agenda Item #2 *-To receive and consider the financial report, including the director's declaration for the year ended 31st December, 2017 and related director's report and audit report.*

On close of the business day on 17th April, 2018, there was some question received by MH from Megan Jennings regarding the financial report and she requested it to be tabled for this evening.

Question from Megan Jennings re \$1 in green fees about how/where it is shown in the accounts? DS explained & CO being part of finance subcommittee also backed up with “It is shown as a provision in the annual accounts.”

Discussion ensued on sinking fund being used for course improvement. It was amicably answered by DS.

Auditor’s recommendation mentioned - ‘Re: *bank accounts which are being unused to be closed to avoid incurring unnecessary bank fees.* Action taken.

MK -If anyone has any question RE- FR this evening, it will be written down and a response posted on the members Notice Board within 14 days.

We will now move to the **Directors reports** and the financial report as in AR

- a) MK gave a brief explanation of the President’s report

MOVER----- SEC ONDER-----

Motion put to floor to accept the **President’s report- Carried.**

- b) MK requested **Paul Johnstone** for the Captain’s report.
PJ presented the report.

MOVER----- SECONDER-----

Motion put to floor to accept the **Captain’s report- Carried.**

- c) MK now handed over to **David Simmons** for a brief summary of Treasurer’s report. DS summarised the report

MOVER----- SECONDER-----

Motion put to floor to accept the **Treasurer’s report- Carried.**

- d) MK called **Michael Higgins** for Sec./Gen. Manager’s report.
MH presented Manager’s report.

MOVER----- SECONDER-----

Motion put to floor to accept the *Sec./Manager's report- Carried.*

MK thanked everyone for their reports.

Agenda item #3-To confirm the Elections of Directors:

MK- Now, we can move to elections. All positions of the Board of Directors were available for nominations. At the close of the nomination time, the Secretary only received one (1) nomination's for each of the four executive positions. So, there was no elections needed for four executives- ***ELECTED UNOPPOSED.***

For the remaining 5 Directors positions, there were seven (7) nominations received. So, elections were held on Saturday, 21st April & Sunday, 22nd April 2018.

Note: MH provided a validated list of elected Directors for recording.

Full list of all the elected Board of Directors are as following:-

Executives:-

Madan Kandara –**President**

Alex Smith -**Vice President**

Paul Johnstone –**Captain**

David Simmons –**Hon. Treasurer**

Ordinary Board Members:

Director: **MARK RANKIN**

Director: **GLENN HAINES**

Director: **IAIN RUSSELL**

Director: **CORALIE OWEN.**

Director: **CRAIG McMahan.**

MK –congratulations to Mark, Glenn & Coralie for re-election & welcomed two new Directors-**Iain Russel & Craig McMahan** in the Board. Iain & Craig were given floor to introduce themselves and share their vision for Randwick Golf Club.

On behalf of the Board & Management MK then thanked two outgoing Directors **Anthony Ostroman** and **Jonathan Clydesdale** for their services to the club.

Agenda Item #4. To consider Notice of Ordinary Resolution (*to approve directors' benefits until the Club's next Annual General Meeting*)

MK mentioned that points of resolutions are self-explanatory as printed out in the notice of AGM and the disclosures is as those required under Corporation Law and the registered Clubs Act.

MK-The resolutions relate to necessary expenditures and benefits that are available only to those nominated in the resolutions and the members assembled here tonight acknowledge that the benefits in the resolutions are not available to membership of the club at large. It should be noted that under the Act this resolution must be carried in its entirety and cannot be amended at this point.

MK read out all resolutions (a) to (h) in the notice of AGM and stated these are consistent with and are stipulated under Registered Clubs Act 1976

MOVER-----SECONDER-----

All in favour, CARRIED

Agenda Item # 5 Life Membership: (*To consider and if thought fit pass*)

MK stated that the Board have 2 recommendations for life membership this year after receiving formal nominations from members. As stated in the notice of Annual General Meeting, Rule 17 requires the resolution to be carried by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at the meeting. Each candidate for Life membership will be voted on individually.

CO- At this point wanted to know from chair that, in the AGM notice there was only one name for Life Membership. How come there are two?

MK- Thank you Coralie, I will explain.

MK read out two pages of correspondence done between Secretary MH and Club's legal advisor Adam Jones. MK quoted a reply from AJ dated -Tuesday, 10Apr12018 to Sec/Manager Re-Life membership additional nomination. AJ stated that-*"I confirm the Board may recommend another member for Life Membership to the Annual General Meeting as part of agenda item 6. The*

additional nomination was received after notice of Annual General Meeting was printed, but the Board decided the nomination should be dealt with at this meeting.

MK further quoted – “similarly, rule 28 of the Constitution does not require prospective Patrons to be notified to members in the Notice of the Annual General Meeting.

MK pointed that, following this legal advice on the second nomination, Secretary has posted on the notice board for a few weeks now which included the nominee’s name and membership number. (see below)

----- **Notice** -----

In accordance with Item 6 on the Notice of Annual General Meeting

There are two items of business which the Board wishes to bring forward in accordance with the constitution and the corporations Act 2001

The first Item is the Recommendation of Roy Wong (member #416) be elected to life membership for outstanding service rendered to the Club. Rule 17 requires the resolution be carried by a majority of eligible voting members at the meeting.

The Second item is the Recommendation for Matt Thistlethwaite to serve as an Additional Club Parton, after his continued support of Randwick Golf Club. As Per Rule 28 this requires a simple majority vote of those eligible voting members at the meeting.

We apologise for the lateness of this inclusion as the nomination for life membership only came forward after the notice of AGM was ready for print and the response from the nominated Patron also came through afterwards.

By order of the Board of Directors.

MK- So Agenda Item # 5 & 6 are dealt here in concurrence.

The First recommendation of Life Membership is for ALEXANDER NOEL SMITH (member 00345) *(MK at this stage requested the candidate Alex Smith to please recuse himself from meeting until the voting is completed)*

MK-Alex smith has been nominated by Sydney Pilbeam for the reason of rendering outstanding services to club in general, particularly recognising his role in resurrecting the history of Men’s Honours Board.

MK-I will now call for a show of hands from those members who are in favour of Alex Smith to receive life membership status.

Secretary MH confirmed that vote count is more than 2/3rd required majority & hence, ALEXANDER NOEL SMITH (member # 00345) is voted as Life Member.

MK requested MH to bring Alex Smith back to house.

MK congratulated Alex Smith and gave him opportunity to speak.

Alex Smith said- *“he is humbled & thanked members, the Board & Management and pledged that, he would act to up hold the prestige of a life member.”*

The second recommendation of Life Membership is for member ROY BERT WONG (member # 00416) *(MK at this stage requested the candidate Roy Wong to please recuse himself from meeting until the voting is completed)*

MK- Roy Wong has been nominated by several members (27 signatories) for the reason of rendering outstanding services to club in general, particularly as volunteer & recognising his role in keeping the “Randwick Skins” game going.

MK-I will now call for a show of hands from those members who are in favour of Roy Wong to receive life membership status.

Secretary MH confirmed that vote count is more than 2/3rd required majority & hence, ROY BERT WONG (member # 00416) is voted as Life Member.

MK requested MH to bring ROY WONG back to house.

MK congratulated ROY WONG and gave him opportunity to speak.

ROY WONG said- *“he is thanked members, the Board & Management and pledged that, he would act to up hold the prestige of a life member. I will continue to conduct Randwick Skins game.”*

Voting on Club’s Patron – MK informed the house that, The Board of Director have resolved to request Federal member for Kingsford- Smith Mr Matt Thistlethwaite to be Patron of the club for his services to RGC & our local community at large.

MK read out his Bio and stated we have been benefited from his help to us whenever we asked for last several years & like Mr Daily he is always at hand. Our constitution requires that, any decision by the Board to nominate any patron has to be ratified in AGM. So, I would request you all for your vote to ratify Mr Thistlethwaite as our Patron.

MK-All in favour ? **Motion Carried.**

Mr Thistlethwaite was unanimously voted as Patron of Club.

MK-further informed the house that, Mr Thistlethwaite has indicated that, he will be happy to be a Clubs Patron along with Mr Michael Daily.

MK- at this stage requested Mr. Daily to address the house.

MD thanked all and commended RGC Board and management. He noted the improvement in club's overall functions and pointed that, the Board must be doing something right as community is happy and is buzzing. He endorsed the comments made in president's report by MK that, land lease is only granted for maximum of 5 years by the legislation in State Government.

General Business:

MK-pointed the purpose of the AGM is to ratify the accounts. Any of the Club operational activity questions, should be handled as normal during any other time of the year, by being written into general manager and if necessary will be taken the Board.

There were written Qs from Ms Marilyn Pacitii in regards to the Golf Course & we have since replied to her. MK also pointed out that, our Vice-Captain Glenn Haines & GM Michael Higgins has also appeared recently at one of the ladies regular presentation day to respond to any questions regarding the course condition.

MK –Thanked Marilyn Pacitii for raising the issue and assured house that, the Board and Management will do everything in the capacity to bring the Course to better condition as soon as possible.

Marilyn Pacitii asked about the \$5 levy added to comp fee in 2012, would like to know what it was for and where it is. DS answered it was addressed already.

Raelyn Flatters- asked about status council debt & re instalments being paid to 2020 and caterer's contract, renewal being negotiated.

DS- we are meticulously paying our instalments and if you would look at our accounts we are on course to pay all our arrears in time by end 2019 or early 2020.

MK- We have started the negotiations with caterer since October, 2017 and are advancing well.

Kaye S asked about starting the AGM earlier e.g. 7pm. **It was agreed to start next AGM at 7.00 pm from 8.00 pm**

She also asked about possibility of having a bore on the course, no feasibility study in past, maybe warranted now.

Micheal Daley (Local MP for Maroubra & Club's Patron) responded, noting that, - Desalination plant as a joint venture among all 4 clubs on the coastal belt (RGC, The Coast, St. Michael's & NSW) was deliberated in past. It was shelved due to *water being very salty and very expensive to pump and distribute from water treatment site.*

Member 1282 mentioned other solutions eg bigger dam, better retention. It was noted that a DA would be needed to revisit.

MK-I thank each & every one of you for your attending the meeting.

MK-I declare the meeting CLOSED (at.9.20 pm)