

ROTORUA BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Thursday 25 November 2021, 7 pm (Draft)

Welcome: The president Colleen Allen welcomed 31 other members to the meeting

Apologies: Wendy* & Ian Blackman, Rona & John Driscoll, Wendy Fraser*, Marian Irving*, Peter & Ann McKellar, Margie Robbie, Phil & Evelyn Skinner, Cathy Ward*, Carolyn Wilson. Moved that the apologies be accepted: Colleen Allen/Marie Milsum, carried unanimously. * = appointed a proxy to vote for the remit

Minutes: Moved that the 2020 minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the last AGM: Heini Lux/Rowan Friend, carried unanimously

Matters arising:

Val Honeyfield thanked the membership for their big improvements towards the beginners, particularly the wearing of name tags, not giving unwanted advice and for being patient

Suellen Caudwell thanked Val for her efforts with the beginners

Helen Kinsey thanked Roger Dempster and Val for running the lessons and their support of the beginners

President's Report: Colleen Allen presented her report (attached). Moved that Colleen's report be accepted: Jody Richardson/Heini Lux, carried unanimously

Treasurer's Report: Kathryn Morgan presented her report on the annual financial statement (attached).

Moved that Kathryn's report be accepted: Kathryn Morgan/Lode Van Grootel, carried unanimously

Matter arising:

The new committee to discuss the Marg Angus fund and decide whether to top up again. The interest earned is not covering the prize money awarded

Subscriptions and Table Money

The committee recommended subscriptions for 2022 be as follows:

Full member: \$85 with a \$5 discount if paid before the end of February

Country member: \$55 with a \$5 discount if paid before the end of February

Associate member: \$30

Youth member (defined by NZ Bridge as \leq 25 years old): \$40

Moved that the recommended subscriptions be accepted: Colleen Allen/Roger Dempster, carried unanimously

Moved that table money be \$4 per session: Colleen Allen/Roger Dempster, carried unanimously

Election of Management Committee and Auditor

Nominations were:

President Colleen Allen

Treasurer Kathryn Morgan

Secretary Christine de Vries

Committee Alan Dick, Wendy Fraser, Val Honeyfield, Heini Lux, Hilary Williams, and Margie Robbie (as immediate past president)

There were no further nominations and the above named were appointed as the Management Committee. There are still 3 vacant position on the committee

Auditor: Moved that Bev Skilling be appointed auditor: Kathryn Morgan/Marie Milsum, carried unanimously

General Business

The Committee proposed that: From 29 November 2021, masks will be optional for members and guests who provide proof of double Covid-19 vaccination. Non vaccinated members will not be able to play unless they can provide a Ministry of Health Certificate of Vaccination Exemption, but masks must be worn

Background: there has been resistance to wearing masks while playing, with many members choosing not to play at the club. Two regular sessions have been cancelled through lack of players, and other sessions have about half the usual number

Ray McCully read excerpts from an ABC news article that demonstrated how easily the Delta variant is spread, suggesting masks were essential in indoor situations. It was noted that our club extractor fan system is not working at present. Getting this repaired is to be a priority for the new committee

Jody Richardson asked that the new committee think beyond the current Covid-19 conditions and develop protocols for the upcoming "traffic light system"

Steve Kinsey suggested that any future protocols regarding non vaccinated people should follow Government advice/regulations. If it is up to individuals whether to wear masks or not, each individual's decision must be respected by other members

Jody pointed out that it will be possible to confidentially record proof of vaccination on our member database

A vote was held, with 28 members for the proposal (including the 4 proxy votes). The new rule was declared passed

There was no other general business

The meeting closed at 7:55 pm followed by the presentation of trophies for 2021. The Thursday evening IMP Teams result is incorrect and needs to be corrected