



Fencing New Zealand

(Fencing New Zealand Incorporated)

Fencing New Zealand Annual General Meeting

Sunday 19th March 2023, 7pm, by Teams Meeting

Present: David Elder (President), Amanda Hopkins (Secretary General), Nicole Martin, Sam Parish, Leasa Ogilvie, Sheldon Ogilvie, Stephen Peterson, Grant Tweddle, Hamish Clarke, Rachel Rowlands Clarke, Alice Corin, Heather Claydon, Lee Bin Tee, Oscar Hannaford, Peter Butler, Ryan Sadler, Madelaine Barbarics, Dylan Thompson, Rene Philips, Sera Cox, Vanda Symon, Will Bishop, Hanna Choi, Laura Doyle, Fiona Campbell, Gareth Foley, Canny Peng

1 Apologies

None received

2 Adoption of the Minutes of 2022 AGM

Minutes were moved, as a true and accurate record

Amanda/Stephen. Carried

3 Matters Arising from Minutes – see Acknowledgements

4 Acknowledgements

Acknowledge the passing of Mark Rance in 2022. Thank you again to Mark for his significant contribution to fencing in New Zealand over many years.

5 Presentation of Annual Report – President's Report received

To be amended to include the significant contribution of Grant Tweddle during 2022

Report moved Stephen/Heather. Carried

6 Presentation of Financial Statements

- Invested in coaching and refereeing and propose to contribute significantly in 2023
- Significant number of international tours in 2022
- Talked through Budget for 2023 – investment will reduce cash position, but balance in good position and there is room to invest.

Report received and approved.

Moved Stephen/Heather. Carried

7 Election of Officers – two Board positions for election in 2023

Independent Board Nominations for:

Hamish Clarke
Alice Corin

Ballot result – Alice Corin elected as the Independent Board Member for a term of 4 years. Sam Parish and Amanda Hopkins were appointed Scrutineers.

8 Notices of Motion

- Amendment to the Constitution by Special Resolution – to Sections 13, 19 and 32 – **the Treasurer to be an appointed Board position with full voting rights**
Discussion held. The Treasurer has a significant input into the business. Will result in 9 voting Board Members. Noted that the appointment process for the Treasurer requires clarification – Fencing NZ to develop and formally adopt a policy for appointments, which will involve appointment of a panel to recommend a candidate to the Board. Noted that Sport NZ require Boards to be 40% female to qualify for funding.

Moved Amanda/David. Carried unanimously

- Amendment to the Constitution by Special Resolution – to Section 4.5 - amend the **Junior Membership Category to persons under 16 years' old**
Discussion held. Stephen presented analysis of the impact of 16 year olds voting. Impact not significant. 16 year olds can hold office but should not sign contracts.

Moved Grant/Hanna. Carried unanimously

- Amendment to the Constitution by Special Resolution – Sections 19 and 41 - to **clarify the process for election ballots**
Brief discussion held.

Moved Amanda/Stephen. Carried unanimously

9 General Business

No notices of General Business received.

Meeting closed at 8pm