

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

Sue Topchik welcomed 53 other members to the meeting and explained how the meeting would be organised.

Prior to the meeting 7 proxy forms were received (as votes), 7 proxies given to members in attendance - the Hon Sec identified these members and instructed them how the votes would be counted. Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mike Bottomley, Ann Chance & Suat Dramali.

**1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021, Chairmans report, Treasurers report, Draft Accounts 2020/2021 and Head Coach report.**

All of the above were available from the MLTC website prior to the meeting, along with a Q&A sheet for any questions before the meeting. The previous minutes were approved unanimously.

**2. Chairman's Report**

There were no questions regarding the report. The Chair made a separate statement saying that the Board regarding events up to the AGM and stating that to ensure the meeting went smoothly, the Board would not want to respond to lots of detailed questions. The Chair also stated that the resolutions and emails that questioned the integrity of the Board and it's processes, were very disappointing and that she intended to step down at next year's AGM.

**3. Report from the Head Coach**

There were no questions regarding the report.

**4. Hon. Treasurer's Report**

Several questions were raised about the report – such as why the accounts were not physically audited (this has not been done for over 20 years), why were bank charges so high (as this line includes charges for using credit cards). After some discussion, the Treasurer asked for any further questions to be mailed to him and he would answer them.

**5. Proposal associated with Subscriptions**

The proposal to accept the pre-circulated subscription proposal was accepted by 35 votes to 27 (including proxy votes).

**6. Proposal to change MLTC Limited Bye-law 4.1 to read:**

*There shall be the following classes of Members: Playing Members: Honorary Life, Adult, Adult (80+), Young Adult (19-29), Country Membership, Juniors 18 & under, Juniors 10 & under.*

The proposal to accept the bye-law change was accepted by 35 votes to 27 (including proxy votes).

**7. Election of Auditor**

The proposal to re-appoint Chapman Worth Ltd was accepted with no attending or proxy votes against.

**8. Election of Officers**

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As there was only one nominee for each office Gareth proposed a simple vote on the election of officers "en bloc", if nobody wished to object to any nominee's election. There were no objections to this and there were no attending votes against. Out of the proxy votes all were in favour, except 1 votes against the Social Players Representative - Evening.

Office	Name
Honorary Treasurer	Tom Brooksbank
Social/Bar/Comms Director	Owen Stanhope
PR/Comms Representative	Owen Stanhope
Match Secretary	Claire Roberts
Social Players Representative – Evening	Clive Hogan
Social Secretary	Suat Dramali

**9. Resolution to require the club to circulate a current set of the club's management accounts down to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

A response to the resolution from the Board was read out by the Hon Sec. The resolution was accepted by 33 votes to 21 votes, with 3 abstentions.

**10. Resolution proposing that the Board provide a presentation at the AGM explaining to members all capital expenditure and projects, other than minor maintenance, that have taken place at the club: over the last 18 months, that are currently in progress, that are planned for the current financial year. The presentation should include details of the undermentioned for each item: the contractor or supplier, who negotiated the contract, who managed the contract, any links between the club members that put forward or agreed the project and the contractor/supplier, the original estimated cost and the actual cost of each project, details of any alternative quotes obtained. This presentation should be followed by an opportunity for members to ask questions.**

A response to the resolution from the Board was read out by the Hon Sec. A proposal was made by a member from the floor to change the resolution to just the first sentence from above, thereby removing the second sentence which could be taken as implying a lack of integrity and/or correct processes being followed by the Board. The Honorary Secretary stated that the resolution proposer would need to agree to this – the proposer who was in the room gave no comment or answer. The resolution was accepted by 38 votes (3 proxies) to 11 votes (2 proxies), with 1 abstention.

**11. Any Other Business**

Several questions were raised including requesting better Communications from the club and enquiring about issues with the Administrator role. The Honorary Secretary stated very clearly that no discussion should take place about this latter question. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:20 hrs.

*Gareth Jackson*  
*November 2022*