

MINUTES OF 62ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF THE GEELONG BUSINESS CLUB

HELD AT TRUFFLEDUCK
ON MONDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 2023 AT 5.30 PM

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| PRESENT | Per Attendance Register – Annexure A |
| APOLOGIES | Per Apologies Register – Annexure A |
| WELCOME | Scott Warren, outgoing President, opened the meeting at 5.35pm |
| CHAIRPERSON | Scott advised that as President he would act as Chairperson of the Meeting |
| NOTICE OF MEETING | The Chairperson advised that the Notice of Meeting and associated documentation had been notified and made available to all members via the Geelong Business Club website. |
| QUORUM | The Chairperson noted that pursuant to Clause 20.2 of the Constitution, a quorum was present (with at least 25 members present), and accordingly the meeting would proceed. |
| REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE | The Chairperson advised that a register of attendees and apologies was recorded, and read the list of apologies to the attendees. |
| PROXIES | The Chairperson advised that no proxies had been advised for any of the listed apologies, nor for any other Club member. |
| AGENDA | <p>The Chairperson referred to the agenda included with the notice of annual generally meeting and outlined the agenda items to be covered, including –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Apologies2. Approval of the Minutes of the 61st Annual General Meeting3. Receive and adopt the 2022-2023 Presidents Annual Report4. Receive and adopt the 2022-2023 Audited Financial Statement5. Committee Elections (including Office Bearers, Retiring Committee Members and New Appointees6. Elect an auditor for 2023-20247. General Business (if any) |
| VOTING | The Chairperson advised the resolutions to be put to the meeting would be decided by a poll followed by a request for a member to move the resolution, and another member to second it. To conduct the vote by a poll, any dissenting votes would be requested and if majority of people were in favour the resolution taken would be deemed to have been passed. |

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RESOLUTIONS

The below resolutions were then put to the meeting. As each resolution was put forward, the Chairperson allowed reasonable for questions and consideration.

MINUTES OF THE 61st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Chairperson advised that a copy of the Minutes of the 61st Annual General Meeting Monday 8th August 2022 were available on the GBC website and asked if any present had any questions in relation to those. There were none.

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

"That the minutes of the 61st Annual General Meeting of the Geelong Business Club (Inc) held on 8 August 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record"

Moved: Geoff Hutchinson

Seconded: Pam Hutchinson

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

ANNUAL (PRESIDENT'S) REPORT

The Chairperson summarised the report noting:

- the Club is a welcoming environment where business professionals with the same challenges and opportunities can meet and share their stories.
- the quality and variety of guest speakers encompassing subjects has continued to raise the bar, with a personal highlight being the engagement of Jelena Dokic, Tennis Professional, Coach, Media Commentator, Author and Professional Speaker.
- In looking at continuous improvement opportunities, the Club evaluated the suitability of the venues available and following a vote from the Members elected to move to Truffleduck as the most appropriate venue for our dinner meetings.
- Recognition of the contribution by Committee members across the year who assisted in the smooth running of the Club.
- Recognition of the Executive Officer, Angela McDonald, and the work done in the background to streamline Club operations
- Recognition and thanks to the Club's members for the support and encouragement offered throughout the year
- Welcoming the incoming President, Scott Andersen.

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

"That the Annual (President's) Report for 2022-2023 be adopted."

Moved: Maree Herath

Seconded: Paul Gray

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

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2021-2022 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Treasurer tabled the 2022-2023 Audited Financial Statements and provided an overview of the financial position of the Club, noting the increased surplus of funds carried forward, and noting the sound financial standing and clear solvency of the Club.

He then invited questions in relation to the Audited Financial Statements. There were none.

The Treasurer read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That the Audited Financial Statements for 2022-2023 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Anthony Tripolino
Seconded: Sharon Hill

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

ELECTION OF AUDITOR FOR 2022-2023

The Treasurer noted that a requirement of the meeting was to consider the nomination and election of an auditor of the 2023-2024 financial statements.

Those present were advised that Lester Barkly, of Barkly & Associates has nominated to continue as the auditor and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

The Treasurer read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That Lester Barkly, of Barkly & Associates, be appointed the auditor of the 2022-2023 Financial Statements of the Geelong Business Club (Inc)”

Moved: Mathew Wembridge
Seconded: Dan Nicholls

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

2022-2023 COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

The Chairperson announced the incoming Committee Office Bearers –

- President: Scott Andersen
- Vice President: Geoff Hutchinson

And the incoming new ordinary Committee members –

- Alex Rubilar
- Anthony Tripolino
- Dan Nicholls

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That the incoming office bearers and Committee members for the 2023-2024 year be accepted.

Moved: Simon Hardiman
Seconded: Sharon Hill

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A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

The Chairperson announced the retiring Committee members and thanked them for their service –

- Geoff Hutchinson (re-elected)
- Sharon Hill (re-elected)
- Paul Gray
- Renee Jovic
- Kirsten Kilpatrick
- Maree Herath

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That the retirement of the above mentioned Committee members for the 2022-2023 year be accepted.

Moved: Alana Goldsworthy

Seconded: Pam Hutchinson

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

The Chairperson announced the continuing service of Freya Fidge, and the re-election of two of the ordinary Committee members previously retired as follows –

- Geoff Hutchinson (re-elected)
- Sharon Hill (re-elected)

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That the renomination of Geoff Hutchinson and Sharon Hill to the Committee be accepted for the 2023-2024 year.

Moved: Daniel Nardi

Seconded: Ric Gentiluomo

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Chairperson announced the admittance of three new life members, noting that each nominated member has more than 20 years of membership with the Club and each has greatly contributed to its success through –

- Frequently inviting guests who then progress through to Club membership
- Actively participating in our dinner meetings, mentoring, connecting members and guests,
- Showing leadership and acting as role models for other members

The nominated life members were announced as follows –

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- Jack Ayerbe
- Norm Lyons
- Andrew Lawson (in absentia)

The Chairperson thanked each of them sincerely for their continued membership and outstanding service to the Club.

The Chairperson read out the proposed resolution as follows:

“That the nominations for life members of Norm Lyons, Jack Ayerbe and Andrew Lawson accepted .

Moved: Maree Herath
Seconded: Geoff Hutchinson

A vote was taken by Poll and the Chairperson declared the resolution passed.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Chairperson invited the incoming President, Scott Warren, to take over chairing of the meeting and he accepted.

The new Chairperson asked if there were any questions or if any attendees had any further business to be discussed. There were no questions nor items to be discussed brought up by any present.

The Chairperson announced the future direction of the Club including –

- Continuing the good work already being done
- Continuing to engage high quality and relevant guest speakers
- The continued growth and relevance of the Club

The Chairperson thanked the outgoing President, Scott Warren, for his great work over the past year and for his continued support going forward.

The Chairperson thanked the retiring members, Paul Gray, Renee Jovic and Kirsten Kilpatrick for their valuable input and support on Committee.

The Chairperson thanked the current Committee and encouraged their commitment to continuing the good work started by the outgoing President and currently being done by all.

CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 5.45pm.

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Scott Warren – Chairperson

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Scott Andersen - Chairperson

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SCHEDULE A

APOLOGIES

- M Driscoll
- F Fidge
- A Lawson
- S Marshman
- K Morris
- M Neeld
- R Nardi

ATTENDEES

- S Andersen
- D Chappell
- P Davey
- R Gentiluomo
- P Gray
- M Harris
- M Herath
- P Hutchinson
- N Lyons
- R McLachlan
- D Nash
- A Rubilar
- L Selkrig
- L Sweeney
- C Walker
- S Warren
- C Bolger
- A Crowhurst
- J Dean
- A Goldsworthy
- S Hardiman
- A Hart
- G Hutchinson
- S Jarman
- D McCutcheon
- D Nardi
- D Nicholls
- B Russell
- S Shannon
- A Tripolino
- S Walker
- M Wembridge