# New South Wales Bridge Association

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15 December 2004

## **Apologies**:

John Arkinstall Terry Brown George Finikiotis Bill Zorn Toni Zorn

## 1 Meeting Opening

The meeting was opened at 7.30pm.

#### 2 Confirmation of minutes of 10th December 2003

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as a true and

accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Alan Walsh

Seconded: Keiran Crowe-Mai

The motion was carried.

### **3** Matters Arising and Correspondence

No items of correspondence intended for tabling at the AGM had been received.

### 4 Annual Report and Balance Sheet

The Treasurer presented the Annual Report and Accounts.

Motion: That the Annual Report and Balance Sheet be received.

Moved: Mike Hughes Seconded: Keiran Crowe-Mai

The motion was carried.

# 5 Special Business

There was no special business.

#### 6 Election of Office-Bearers, Honorary Solicitor and Auditor

There was only one valid nomination for each of the following positions so the nominees were deemed elected:

Chairman: Alex Yezerski Treasurer: Mike Hughes

There were 3 nominations for the 5 ordinary councillors' positions and as such the following were deemed elected

Julian Foster Ross Stuart Peter Gill

Nominations were called for from the floor for the 4th and 5th vacancies and for the position of Secretary. Nominations were received from Elizabeth Fanos for Secretary and Ben Chosid and Kim Morrison as ordinary councillors.

Moved Mike Hughes Seconded Keiran Crowe-Mai

FABC President's Report was tabled

Noted that Ken Storr and Simon Stancu have been nominated as Special Councillors

Motion: That Doug Lane be reappointed as the Honorary Solicitor to the NSWBA

for 2004

Moved Keiran Crowe-Mai

Seconded Julian Foster

The motion was carried.

Motion: That CBC Partners be appointed as auditors of the NSWBA.

Moved Mike Hughes Seconded Keiran Crowe-Mai

The motion was carried.

Debate as to whether there was a necessity to pass motion for these appointments.

#### **7** General Business

Bobby Evans legacy

Bobby Evans, a long time member of the NSWBA, who died earlier this year has left a bequest of \$50,000 to the NSWBA. Mike Hughes announced that Council would apply this bequest in reduction of the mortgage debt on the NSWBA premises bringing down the loan to \$125,000

It was put to members that the Seniors Teams event at the Sydney Springs Congress be named the "Bobby Evans Senior Teams". A shield or trophy will be purchased to record the winners. A suggestion from the floor also asked that lollies be supplied at the event for players to enjoy during the games in remembrance of Bobby's life time in the sweet business.

Motion: That the Seniors event at the Sydney Springs will in future be called the

"Bobby Evans Seniors Teams".

Moved Mike Hughes Seconded Keiran Crowe-Mai

Question from the floor as to what is the NSWBA is doing for the World Youth Olympian in 2005. The Chairman indicated the committee had agreed that the NSWBA would be lending the boards and that a welcome function to be held at NSWBA.

Peter Gill wanted meeting to know that Alex Yezerski is in NZ on business apologizes for not being at the meeting.

Bought to the attention of the meeting that the NSWBA needs to do more to encourage – the beginners to continue after they finish lessons. Congratulations to Peter for growing the Monday group. Air conditioning problems also discussed.

Julian Foster moved a vote of thanks to Keiran Crowe-Mai for his 10 years of valued service as Councillor and Chairman (2002-2004).

#### 8 Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 8.00 pm.