

NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 20 December 2017

1. Opening

The Secretary of the NSWBA declared that a quorum was present. The Chairman of Council took the chair and declared the meeting open at 6.35 pm.

2. Apologies

Apologies were noted from Liz Sylvester, Bob Sebesfi, Kinga Moses and Inez Glanger

3. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting of 2016 Annual General Meeting

Motion (John Scudder/John McIlrath) *That, with one small amendment, the circulated minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 21 December 2016 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the meeting.*

Motion carried.

4. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

6. Annual Report and Financial Statements

The Annual Report had been circulated together with reports from the Chairman, Treasurer, Tournament Secretary and House Operations committee.

Motion (Julian Foster/John McIlrath) *That the reports be accepted.*

Motion carried.

7. Special Business—motion to amend constitution

Notice had been given of a motion to amend the constitution in relation to the position of Secretary.

Motion (John Scudder/Julian Foster):

That the Company's current constitution be amended by making the following changes:

*Clause 15(3): Delete 'the Secretary,'
Delete 'five' and insert 'six'*

Clause 15(5)a: Delete 'the Secretary,'

*Clause 15(6): Delete 'b. the election of the Secretary;'
Renummer subclauses c. and d. as b. and c. respectively*

Motion carried with a 75% majority.

8. Election of Council office-bearers

8.1 Chairman

A nomination had been received in respect of Richard Douglas. There were no other nominations and he was declared elected.

8.2 Treasurer

No nominations had been received for this position. In accordance with the constitution, this position will be filled by Council.

8.4 Six Ordinary Councillors

Six nominations had been received for the six positions.

The nominees were Julian Foster, Warren Lazer, Agnes Levine, Richard Lock, John Scudder, and Rob Ward and they were declared elected.

8.5 Four Special Councillors

Nominations had been received as follows:

Northern zone	Bruce Tier
Southern & Western zone	Kaye Hart
Metropolitan zone	Carol Sheldrake
Outer Metropolitan zone	Alan Bustany

Bruce Tier, Kaye Hart, Carol Sheldrake and Alan Bustany were declared elected.

9. Special Resolution—motion to amend the constitution in relation to dealing with the premises

Motion (Warren Robinson/Alex Penklis)

That the Company's current constitution be amended by the insertion of a new clause headed '8A' and reading as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision contained in this Constitution, any transaction for the Company to lease, license, sell, mortgage, encumber, grant an option over, or otherwise deal with its present Real Estate Property known as '1st Floor, 162 Goulburn Street, East Sydney, NSW, 2010', must first be approved by a Special Resolution of Members as a condition precedent to its completion.

A poll was called for.

Motion lost 11 votes to 40.

11. Appointment of Honorary Solicitor

One nomination had been received for the position of Honorary Solicitor, that of Warren Robinson. Warren Robinson was declared elected.

11. Appointment of Auditor

Motion (Helena Dawson/Julian Foster) *That CBC Partners be appointed Auditor of New South Wales Bridge Association Limited for 2017-18.*

Motion carried.

11. General Business

11.1 Proxy forms

Neville Moses suggested that Council consider appointing a committee to look at the issue of voting and proxies as the form presently used is unclear in relation to the ability to direct proxies.

12. Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 7.50 p.m.