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AGM Meeting Minutes 2021

Sunday 5th Dec 10.30am

Via Zoom

- 1. Meeting opened by the Chair G. Putt with a welcome and acknowledgement of country.**
- 2. Directors in attendance:**
 - Gerard Putt, Vanessa O’Keefe, Marina Garvey, Martin Lloyd, Jodie Theissen, Felicity Brownrigg
- 3. Apologies:**
 - Steve Bruggerman, Pat Woolley, Wally Bower, Jo and Bronek Karcz, Anne Phillips, Jenni Rowe, Harry Recher
- 4. Members in attendance:**
 - Quentin Strauli, Tracey Duff, David Lines, David Turner, Derek and Jill Miles, Tim Irwin, Anne Conway, Leong Lim, Wendy McMurdo, Michelle Rumsey
- 5. Adoption of 2020 AGM Minutes:**
 - *Minutes confirmed by Wendy McMurdo and seconded by Anne Conway - carried*
- 6. Business Arising from 2020 AGM Minutes:**
 - Nil
- 7. Chair’s Report:**
 - 2021 has been a very challenging year as a result of COVID19. Despite these challenges the BMC Board has continued to function well.
 - The daily use of the facility remains healthy although it is noted that generally there is still plenty of room.

- During the period of lock-down the Board has taken a lenient approach to the 3 day stay rule however this will change now that lockdown has eased and as such the Board requests that we be notified if members want to leave their boat longer than three days.
- Commuter parking remains an ongoing issue. The board continues to consult with HSC whenever possible on this matter.
- The safety of members while using the facility remains a priority and as such, please let us know as soon as possible of issues that may be concerning. The recent example of slippery ramps is a case in point.
- Thanks to the ongoing efforts of the Board members and also to others who have assisted in particular Quentin Strauli, Graham Morey and Michelle Rumsey

8. Treasurer's report

- Treasurer's report and Financial Statements have been attached to the AGM notice.
- A summary of the current financial position of the Co Operative is outlined on the attached slides
- After comparing the cost of alternative auditors it is proposed that we retain the services of Moodley and associates - *proposed by Gerard Putt and seconded by VOK - carried*
- The 2022 levy has been set at \$450 and \$550 if overdue - *proposed by Gerard Putt and seconded by VOK - carried*
- Wendy McMurdo sought clarification on the amount in the term deposit and asked why this couldn't be used to reduce the levy - Gerard Putt explained that the cash reserve in the term deposit is a base amount that would be needed if members were to be paid out.

9. Maintenance Report

- Overall this year has been quiet as far as major maintenance issues and this is probably due to the long period of lockdown.
- Gate locks remain an intermittent issue.
- The slippery ramps will need a permanent fix but as a temporary measure non-slip tape has been applied.
- Fender on the Eastern pontoon needs repair and this will be carried out, weather permitting, as soon as possible.
- Welds have been done on the arms of the western pontoon including internal structures to provide extra strength and while this may not look great it will give the necessary added strength needed.
- Derek Miles raised the issue of repair needed on pontoon brackets and O ring and bolt on the Eastern side. *Martin Lloyd will attend to this asap*

10. Secretary's Report

- 3 new members
- 25 assignments
- Waiting list long 165
- A draft of the updated Rules is nearing completion and will be circulated to members for comment / feedback shortly.
- The License renewal application has been with the Department of Lands for over 12 months and while it is now on a priority list the Board has received no indication as to when it will be finalised. The Board has agreed that the next step in expediting this issue will be to contact our local Member.
- David Miles suggests that a suitably qualified person be contracted to work on our behalf so that a long-term solution to the security of our tenure can be arrived at. He also suggested that it could be beneficial to join WAG (a Waterfront Action Group). He further raised also the issue of insurance and the extent to which the Co Operative is covered. *GP replied that the Board will follow up on these concerns and made the point that our Insurance Broker has sighted the facility at the time of our insurance renewal, that we are covered for public liability and any trades person engaged is required to have their own insurance.*

11. Election of Directors

- 4 positions were declared vacant and as there were no additional nominations these positions were then filled by returning Directors: Felicity Brownrigg, Martin Lloyd, Marina Garvey, Gerard Putt

12. 2022 Key Change Day:

- Key change day is currently scheduled for February 20th 8.00 am -12.00. However, depending on Quentin Strauli's availability re the lock replacements it may be delayed to the 6 March – Members will be notified.

13. Other Business:

- The Board as a result of its review of the rules is seeking greater clarification about the meaning of Joint Memberships. The current rules are vague. Discussion as to whether Joint Membership means two people or more, family or non-family members, when can members be added, under what circumstances. David Miles suggested that seeking information from other coops might be helpful.
- The Board raised the possibility of sharing boat spots particularly in view of the lengthy waiting list and the current underuse of the facility. It was suggested that a member could share his/her spot with another person on the proviso that only one boat was moored at any given time. Further suggested that we could conduct a trial for a given period of time and cap the number taking part. VOK suggested seeking legal advice about liability issues. The meeting generally agreed that this could be a positive direction to pursue.
- David Miles enquired whether the Board is involved with HSC re parking. GP responded that we are involved in so far as we have made representations on behalf of

the Membership and furthermore emphasized that we need to be proactively involved because this is an important issue that isn't going to go away.

Meeting closed 12.30