

The Scottish Bridge Union

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held via conference call from 18.30pm, on Monday, 30st August 2021ⁱ

Present

Council:

J Forsyth, (President), A Goodman, (President Designate), D Wiseman, (Ayrshire), C Goode, (Central), A Perkins, (East), T Wickens, (Highland), A McLeod, (North), R Thompson, (South), P Hodgson (West).

Secretary C Dempsie

Treasurer S Macdonald

In Attendance

W Whyte, F Greenwood, M McGinley, M Ash, A Kennedy, E McGowan, E McGeough, K Russell, R Frame, J Edmunds, T Lillie, A Anderson, A Wickens, I Taylor, R Drysdale, D Drysdale, E Rennie, R Glynne-Percy, J Gunn, S Gunn, A Symons, S Wiseman, D Campbell, M Hammett, I Hunter, K Strathern, B Campbell, H Kopleck, J O'Brien, H Smith

Apologies were accepted from J Carnegie, A Coles, H Dougall

1. Introduction to the meeting

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave the reason for the meeting – To consider the following five resolutions

- a) To proceed with the process of seeking approval from OSCR for the set up and registration of a SCIO named "Scottish Bridge Union".
- b) To agree the five nominated trustees for this new legal entity
Mike Ash
Joan Forsyth
Alan Goodman
Sarah Gunn
Ian Patrick
- c) Once the SCIO is registered, to transfer all assets and liabilities held by the current organisation to the SCIO on a date to be agreed with our accountants
- d) Once the SCIO is registered, to transfer all members of the current organisation to the new organisation
- e) Once transfer of all assets and liabilities is complete, to wind up the current organisation on a date to be agreed with our accountants

Before proceeding to consider each resolution in turn, the President explained that those present should be aware that their decisions on c) d) and e) would be considered as indicative only. In answer to a question, it was explained that if there were a mandate to proceed, representing at least 2/3 of those voting, there would be a further EGM called after OSCR's acceptance of their application, where members could consider the new Constitution and finally vote on the transfer of assets, liabilities and membership and the winding up of the present organisation.

2. Confirmation of Quorum

There were 40 members attending the meeting and 37 proxy votes.

3. Rationale for the Motions

A note was issued to all members when the EGM notice was sent giving the background as to why the SBU are moving to become a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO).

4. Vote

Prior to each vote, questions were invited. It was understood that the transfer of membership could occur within the SBU Membership “year”. Members would decide on renewal whether or not to continue within the new Corporation.

There followed the vote:

Motion 1

In Favour – 38 attendees / 37 Proxies	Total 75 ⁱⁱ
Abstain – 1 attendee	Total 1

Motion 2

In Favour – 40 attendees / 36 Proxies	Total 76
Against – 1 proxy	Total 1

Motion 3

In Favour – 40 attendees / 37 Proxies	Total 77
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Motion 4

In Favour – 40 attendees / 37 Proxies	Total 77
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Motion 5

In Favour – 40 attendees / 37 Proxies	Total 77
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Therefore, all five motions were voted as accepted.

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting closed.

ⁱ These minutes have been approved by the council and will be presented for ratification at the next general meeting.

ⁱⁱ Throughout there were some transitory disconnections. At this vote only 39 were present.