

Motion for AGM of the Scottish Bridge Union on 27th May 2014

That this Annual General Meeting approves the following alterations to the constitution of the Scottish Bridge Union:-

1. Existing Constitution

5.2 Council may appoint other Officers as it sees fit. These officers may be but need not be members of Council. (In particular, there shall be a Master Points Secretary and a Membership Secretary.)

In Clause 5.2, the deletion of the words contained within the brackets.

2. **The addition of a new Clause 5.4,**

“The Council may choose to appoint a President-designate who will act as the President’s deputy until the next AGM, otherwise, the immediate Past President shall deputise for the President as required ”

3. **The deletion of the words “Membership Secretary” where they occur in Clauses 6.3, 6.4, 6.6, 7.3 and 8.5 and the substitution therefor, the words “an appropriate officer as named by Council”**

4. Existing Constitution

6.5 An Affiliated Club shall pay the District Annual Subscription to the District Secretary by 30th November of the membership year.

The deletion of Clause 6.5 (but leave the clause as Intentionally blank)

5. Existing Constitution

6.6 An Affiliated Club shall forward such Annual Subscriptions as it collects from its members to the Membership Secretary by 30th November of the membership year.

The insertion of the word “Home” before the word “members” in Clause 6.6

6. Existing Constitution

8.4 An Ordinary Member who is a member of one or more Affiliated Clubs shall nominate one of those clubs as their Home Club through which their Annual Subscription to the Union will be collected. An Ordinary Member shall pay their Annual Subscription to their Home Club, which shall forward it to the Membership Secretary.

The deletion of the final sentence of Clause 8.4

7. Existing Constitution

12.2 Members may call an Extraordinary General Meeting at any time by sending to the Secretary a written application signed by at least fifty Members of the Union. The application shall state the object of the Extraordinary General Meeting and this shall be the sole business of the Extraordinary General Meeting. The Extraordinary General Meeting shall be held within six weeks of the receipt of the application. A copy of the application shall be included with the notice calling the Extraordinary General Meeting.

The deletion of the words “state the object of” in the second sentence of Clause 12.2 and the substitution therefor, the words “move a motion to be discussed by”

8. Existing Constitution

16.2 Executive Committee

At the Council Meeting immediately following the Annual General Meeting, Council shall appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President and four other members of Council to oversee the actions of the Union Officers. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex officio members of the Executive Committee.

The deletion of the first sentence of Clause 16.2 and the substitution therefor, the words

“At the Council Meeting immediately following the Annual General Meeting, Council shall appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President and six other members of Council to oversee the actions of the Union Officers.”

9. Existing Constitution

19.1 Copies of this Constitution shall be sent to all Affiliated Clubs and shall be available from the Secretary on request.

The deletion of Clause 19.1 and the substitution therefor,

“A copy of the Constitution shall be published on the web-site of the Scottish Bridge Union and copies shall be available from the Secretary on request.”

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