

# **Minutes of the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Cardiff Bridge Club**

**Held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020**

Present: Brian Quinlan, Chairman and 34 Members

Members stood for a minute's silence in memory of Members no longer with us.

1. Apologies Apologies for absence were received from Jacqueline Archer, Margaret Basford, Aase Brown, Veronica Burrows, Stephen Cole, Lynda Goodwin, Margaret Harrop, Alastair Jinks, John Lewis, Joan Lewis, Elizabeth Nam, Anna-Marie O'Brien, Maggie Pierce, Arthur Matheson, David McAndrew, Caroline Stephenson, Mel Thomas, Adrian and Diane Trickey and Priya Wickramasinghe.
2. Minutes The Minutes of the 45<sup>th</sup> AGM HELD ON THE 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 were read and approved.
3. Matters Arising There were no matters arising.
4. Chairman's Report The Chairman presented his report of which a copy is attached. Martin Joseph noted with regret that Brian Quinlan was standing down as both Chairman of CBC and also as Treasurer of the PMC. They had worked closely together for several years. In thanks he felt he could do no better than to read out an email from Caroline Stephenson about Brian

"I recall your arrival a decade ago as A Bridge version of a Hairy Biker. You brought a new recipe to CBC to whet the appetites of new players and spice up the menu for existing players. PJ our longstanding Chairman was well loved and respected but fonder for grazing than cooking. First you tinkered with the mechanics of the Club and then as Chairman opened full throttle. CBC has risen like a cake topped with an icing of young players, full of a burgeoning membership yet retaining its competitiveness and success in tournaments. I salute your achievements

in recreating the friendly atmosphere of a club and your tolerance of the eccentricities and egos of us all.

Noreen has played a vital support role throughout and with her calm, genteel manner taught us to laugh at ourselves as she does. Her endless slaving in the kitchen has not gone unnoticed.

Thank you both for the time and energies you have poured into the Club. Please keep coming”

5. Finance Report            The Chairman also presented the Finance Report of which a copy is also attached, and the 5 Year Building Maintenance Plan.

6. Election of Officers    All those who had been proposed in writing before the Meeting were unanimously elected as follows:-

Secretary:                    Martin Joseph

Committee Members: Sarah Amos, Ian Evans, Angela Gilbert, Simon Gottschalk, Ray Kemp and Anna-Marie O’Brien

There was one vacancy. Sarah Wilcox was proposed by Simon Gould and seconded by Teresa Goss. She accepted and was unanimously elected.

The Committee will appoint a Chairman from amongst its number at its first Meeting

7. Motions                    The Motion to approve changes to the Bridge Standing Orders proposed by Brian Quinlan and seconded by Martin Joseph, of which proper notice had been given, was agreed Nem Con.

8. Any Other Business       Susan Williams said we are now living in a cashless society. Brian Quinlan said that the Committee were considering cashless table money and how to achieve this.

The meeting closed at 7.16pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

