

PATCHAM BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes Annual General Meeting Held on 20th April 2022 commencing at 16:17

Committee members in attendance: Roy Greenbaum (Chairman), Rodney Shotter (Secretary), John Hazard (Treasurer), Heidi Shotter (Membership Secretary), Peter Langston. Ian McGregor.

1. Apologies for absence: Robert Lowe

There were 12 Club Members present.

2. Minutes of the Last Annual General Meeting held on 17th April 2019. Were accepted.

3. Matters Arising: No outstanding matters since we last met, due to the Covid pandemic, 3years ago.

4. Treasurer's report. The Committee and gathered members gave heartfelt thanks for the long and excellent service given by Jim Bugden who has retired from the position due to ill health. A card of thanks was signed by everyone. The committee thanked John Hazard who has agreed to take over this responsibility. He reports that in the last year the club made a profit of £2,750. The clubs finances are being buoyed by on-line games which give a no expenses income, and no room fees during lock-down. Thanks were given to John and Peter for the directing of on-line games.

5. Appointment of Financial Examiner. This year's accounts were audited by **Robin Harris** and Linda McRae agreed to take on the role for next year- proposed by Peter Langston and seconded by Roy Greenbaum.

6. Chairman's Report. **a)** Membership has grown. **b)** The Worthing bridge outing was a success. The day away at Singing Hills on 17th June is sold out. Thanks given to Kathy Bennis for all the work she did in collecting the money. **c)** Christmas Party has been provisionally arranged for Sunday 11th December. As before Food downstairs and moving upstairs for Bridge Session afterwards. Catering arrangements yet to be finalised. **d)** We seek to have another lady on the committee but nobody has signed up for that.

7. Appointment of Officers. All Committee members were re-elected for another year. However, both Secretary and Membership Secretary stated they were seeking to retire from their respective positions. A request for replacements will be advertised on the web-page.

8. AOB. **a)** The possibility of restarting Friday afternoon Face to Face Bridge was discussed. It was thought that there might not be enough interest to make it viable, especially as we would need to add to the Directors commitments. It would also clash with Rottingdean and Henfield events. **b)** Doug Reed raised the issue of Hosting. A request for volunteer hosts to be put on the web-site; hosts would be able to play free. Doug said he was prepared to host Thursday evenings. **c)** The refresher Course run by Margaret has had insufficient interest, but Peter will re-advertise.

Meeting closed at 16:30