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## MINUTES

### 56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Club of SA inc. 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2022

21 Murray Road, Port Noarlunga (change of location due to bad weather)

#### 1. Opening and Welcome

The President Henri Guillaume declared the meeting open at 11.15am

#### 2. Attendance: 21 members

**Quorum:** yes

**Apologies:** Warren & Kathleen Wrobel, Tobias Machler & family, Markus Trochsler, Hansjörg Levi, Paul, Fabian & Melanie Müller, Stan & Kirstin Lewinsky, Denise Scott & Alec Avis, Thomas & Christina Badelka

#### 3. Confirmation of the minutes of Annual General Meeting 2021

The minutes of last year's meeting were circulated with the invitation to the AGM and a hard copy was handed out at the start of the AGM

**Moved:** Patrick Wille

**Seconded:** Peter Brack

#### 4. President's Report

Henri Guillaume presented his report focusing on the events post-pandemic: the Christmas Party was held at Morialta Conservation Park where a dozen children were enthralled by Rolf & Sibylle Faeh in full Samichlaus and Schmutzli outfits.

The Fondue night was at the Austrian Club, and was well attended. Our chefs Patrick and Rolf Faeh cooked an excellent Fondue.

The 1<sup>st</sup> August celebration was held at the Montacute Community Hall – the new venue was well suited for our needs. The outgoing Consul General of Switzerland, Bernadette Hunkeler Brown, was present and gave a speech. We had the lampions parade and a bonfire.

Financially the Club is in good stead, we had a 6% membership reduction but good financial management has still seen an increase in the bank balance for the year.

We have received support from the Expand Together Grant Program offered by Multicultural Affairs. A portable Bose S1 Pro public address system, with iPad, worth \$3,335 was purchased.

Henri thanked the dedicated radio team Sibylle, Herbert, Isariya, Frauke and the newcomer Sandra Bosshard who contribute their time to run the Swiss Corner program.

Henri thanked the committee members and their partners for all the help and especially Marlene, who decided to retire after 5 years of being in charge of all the events, she did a fantastic job making sure everything is organised for the benefit of the club members.

Finally, Henri thanked all the club members who have been supporting the club and declared all the positions vacant.

## 5. **Treasurer's Report**

Markus Hugenschmidt presented the Treasurer's report – the key points are that the new software Xero is working well with the membership automation. The Club is down by \$400 in membership fees but the bottom line is that we have \$18,956 in the bank.

Markus put forward 3 motions:

**1 / to put 10,000 into a 12 months term deposit** – all in favor

**2 / Raclette oven hire free - available to members only** – all in favor

**3 / No more cheques be accepted and cancellation of PO Box North Adelaide** - all in favor

Note: Markus to change current PO Box address to his personal PO Box, he will keep a list of addresses of all mail received to his box and share it with the committee to avoid problems with future changes

**The Treasurer moved** that his report be accepted. **Seconded:** Martin Schnider

## 6. **Consideration of any motions for which due notice has been given**

**Swiss Radio Corner:** Sibylle Faeh informed us that the radio station will remove the mandate, that banned unvaccinated team members to attend. She is very pleased that Sandra Bosshard has joined the team. They will keep the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month as music only and share the rest of the time between Isariya & Frauke, Herbert, Sandra and herself. A motion to continue to financially support the Swiss Corner for the year was put forward by Sibylle. She outlined that out of the \$600 a year, \$500 are used for fees and \$100 for purchasing music.

A second motion was put forward to support the Radio station 5EBI FM radiothon fundraiser with a donation of \$100 – it was not approved by the members. Instead, the members were in favor to add an additional \$100 to the support of the radio team.

## 7. **Election of Committee Members**

President: Henri Guillaume - **all in favor**

\*Vize-President: Victoria Tobe - **all in favor**

Secretary: Maya Schnider - **all in favor**

Treasurer: Markus Hugenschmidt - **all in favor**

Activities: Marc Rychener - **all in favor**

\*Communications: Sibylle Faeh - **all in favor**

\*Event Manager: Regula Muller - **all in favor**

\* Role details to be defined at next meeting

## 8. **Confirmation of Auditor**

Connections with previous auditor Galpins has been lost. Markus will find out if his accountant could sign off on the Swiss Club accounts going forward. Markus points out that since the club does not accept cash anymore all transactions are transparent on bank statements and available on the share drive for to the committee to check or question.

## 9. General Business / Questions

Special note: Herbert Galle – longtime member and radio presenter does not have access to internet bank – the President declared him as an honorary member.

**Moved:** Markus Hugenschmidt

**Seconded:** Maya Schnider

## 10. Close of meeting

President Henri Guillaume declared the meeting closed at 12.08 pm.

Members were invited to share a sausage and B urli with Rivella.

### Minutes Signed:

**Name:** Henri Guillaume

**Signed:** 

**Dated:** 23 Oct 2022

The minutes pursuant to clause 8(c) of the Rules shall be signed by the chairperson of the meeting at which the proceedings took place or by the chairperson the next succeeding meeting at which the minutes are confirmed.