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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 24 November 2008 by teleconference

MINUTES

John Macdonald welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 4.00pm (EDST)

1 Present

John Macdonald (President)
Chris Johnson (Vice-President)
Anthony Brown (Secretary)
Terry Melvin (Treasurer)
Gary Bryant (minutes)
Greg Andreson
Warren Martin
Jo Fairbairn
Keith Margules
Brendan Sullivan
Greg Millan
Andrew King
Julian Krieg

Apologies

Mick Adams
Greg Malcher
Wendy Sturgess

Proxies

Nil

2 Minutes of Previous AGM 4 October 2007

Moved Greg Andreson, Seconded Terry Melvin

That the minutes of the previous AGM held on 4 October 2007 be
accepted as an accurate record Carried

3 President's Report

John Macdonald read his report (copy attached).

4 Financial Reports

The 2007-08 Financial Report was distributed with the agenda and is
attached. There was a balance of \$17,250 at 30 June 2008.

Moved Terry Melvin, Seconded Julian Krieg

That the Financial Report for 2007-08 be accepted

Carried

The President thanked Terry Melvin for his work as Treasurer and expressed his regret that Terry was no longer continuing as a member of the Executive Committee.

The President also thanked Chris Johnson for his efforts in gaining sponsorship for the conference and his willingness to accept the position of Treasurer.

5 Appointment of Auditors

Moved Anthony Brown, Seconded Keith Margules

That *WHK Greenwoods* be removed as the AMHF's auditor and that Business Taxation Accounting & Consulting Services, East Brisbane, be appointed as AMHF's auditor.

Carried

6 Election of Executive

The following nominations were received by the closing date of 10 November 2008

Position	Nomination
President	John Macdonald
Vice-President	Julian Krieg
Secretary	Anthony Brown
Treasurer	Chris Johnson
Ordinary Committee Member	Jase (Gary) Hodson
	Warren Martin
	Greg Andresen
	Gary Bryant
	Greg Millan

The Executive Committee has recommended that as the next year will be a period of transition that all five nominations for the Executive Committee should be accepted and other people including Mick Adams, Greg Malcher and Brendan Sullivan should be seconded to the committee.

The meeting agreed to accept all the above nominations.

It was noted that if the proposed changes to the constitution are adopted that all positions will be vacated at the 2009 AGM, which will be held in conjunction with the National Men's Health Conference in Newcastle NSW. At this meeting the President, Treasurer and one committee member will be elected for a two-year term and the Vice-President, Secretary and one committee member will be elected for a one-year term.

7 Signatories on AMHF Bank Account

Moved Anthony Brown, Seconded Terry Melvin

That AMHF Office Bearers (President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary) be signatories on the AMHF bank accounts, with the signatures of any two required for cheques, and that any current signatories who are not Office Bearers be removed. Carried

8 New Constitution

The proposed constitution was distributed with the agenda.

The Steering Committee had proposed that the members would elect six members of the Executive Committee i.e. the four office bearers, plus two other Executive members and that the Executive Committee would have the power to appoint up to three other executive committee members. This was aimed at facilitating representation from particular states or territories, particular interest groups (e.g. Aboriginal, boy's education, family law etc.) or to appoint someone with particular expertise (e.g. financial, legal, marketing etc.) to the Executive Committee.

It was agreed to amend paragraph 14.5 (a) of the proposed constitution to include the election of only one Non-Executive Director in both the odd and even numbered years.

(a) Subject to Article 14.7(b), elections in respect of Executive Officers and Non-Executive Directors comprising the Executive Committee Members shall be held as follows:

(i) elections in respect of:

A. the President;

B. the Treasurer; and

C. one Non-Executive Director,

shall take place at each annual general meeting held in each calendar year ending in an odd number (for example, 2009, 2011, etc); and

(ii) elections in respect of:

A. the Vice-President;

B. the Secretary; and

C. one Non-Executive Director,

shall be elected at each annual general meeting held in each calendar year ending in an even number (for example, 2010, 2012, etc).

It was also agreed to amend paragraph 14.5 (b) so that a person has to be nominated by only one other member, rather than by a nominator and seconder. This change was aimed at overcoming the difficulty caused by having a small number of members located in different parts of the country.

(b) A Member wishing to stand for a position as an Executive Committee Member shall be nominated by one other Member.

Moved Greg Andreson, Seconded Warren Martin

That effective at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, the constitution contained in the document submitted to this meeting and containing the above amendments, signed by the President for the purposes of identification, be approved and adopted as the constitution of the company in substitution for the existing constitution of the company, which is repealed. Carried

The President thanked Grant Koch and John Page of Clayton Utz, who had prepared the new constitution on a pro bono basis.

9 General Business

9.1 Potential Members

Keith Margules suggested that several branches of the Older Men's Network may be interested in becoming members. He requested that some information be provided for potential members.

It was agreed that Anthony Brown and Gary Bryant would prepare some information to be provided to potential members.

9.2 National Men's Health Policy

John Macdonald and Michael Woods have been involved in preparing a discussion paper for the Department of Health and Ageing. It is anticipated that an announcement will be made shortly by the government.

10. Close

John Macdonald thanked everyone for their contribution and closed the meeting at 4.45pm (EDST).