



Draft Minutes
Annual General Meeting
Sunday 16 September 2018, 5 pm,
CBC Clubrooms, Deakin

1. **Attendance:** Hasmat Ali, Justine Beaumont, Marianne Bookallil, Sue Clarke, Peter Clark, Pam Crichton, Ross Crichton, Ian Dalziell, Len Dixon, John Donovan, Stephen Fischer, Jeanette Grahame, Peter Grant, Atul Hajela, Greg Haustead, Terry Heming, Terri Henderson, Ivan Johnstone, Ruth Landau, Julia Leung, Patricia McDonald, Stephen Mendick, Lynne Moss, John Niven, Roy Nixon, Ann Pettigrew, Ian Robinson, Andrew Spooner, Judith Tobin, Lyn Turner, Jodi Tutty, Doina Uzubalis, Niek Van Vucht, Daryl Whitfield, Emlyn Williams, Phil Young.
2. **Apologies:** Faye Grant, Elizabeth Havas, David Hoffman, Julia Hoffman, Cathy Nichols, Sebastian Yuen.
3. **Acknowledgement of proxy votes:** Sebastian Yuen provided his proxy vote to the President.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes of the 2017 AGM**
Motion: “that the Minutes of the AGM of 2017 be accepted as a true record of that meeting”. Proposed Ian Dalziell, seconded Jodi Tutty. Accepted.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes of the AGM of 2017**
No matters arising
6. **Report of the President**
Marianne presented her report. She thanked the retiring committee members John Yoon (treasurer) and Ian Dalziell (secretary).
7. **Special Resolution**
Motion: That the Rules of the Association, known as the “BFACT Constitution”, be replaced in whole by the document “BFACT Constitution 2018”, a copy of which is attached to the notice of motion and marked Annexure 1.
John Yoon explained the need for constitutional reform and that the drafted new rules had been circulated to members, discussed in a public meeting and been on the BFACT website.
The Motion was passed unanimously: 21 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions.
The members of the subcommittee (John Yoon, Sebastian Yuen, Marianne Bookallil and Ian Dalziell were thanked).
8. **Report of the Treasurer**
The treasurer tabled his final report and the previously circulated audited financial statements for 2017-18. He noted that although the finances

remained healthy, there were uncertainties. In 2017 the Canberra in Bloom festival had run at a financial loss and it was too early to determine the result of the 2018 festival which is yet to be held. He therefore recommended that the affiliation fee remain unchanged in 2018-19. He also suggested that the new Treasurer and Council consider de-registering the Council for GST purposes. Acceptance of the report was moved and seconded (John Yoon, Roy Nixon). The report was accepted.

9. **Appointment of Auditor for 2018-19**

Motion: "that Mr Peter Parsons be re-appointed as auditor for BFACT for 2018-19". Proposed John Yoon, seconded Lynne Moss. Accepted.

10. **Affiliation Fee for 2018-19**

Motion: "that the annual affiliation fee for 2018-19 be set at \$8.50 (including GST) for all members of affiliated bridge clubs". Proposed John Yoon, seconded Ian Dalziell, Accepted.

11. **Report of the Tournament Secretary**

Niek presented and spoke to his written report that was accepted by the meeting.

12. **Appointment of Returning Officer**

Roy Nixon was appointed as Returning Officer and presided over the Council elections.

13. **Election of Office Bearers:**

President	Marianne Bookallil	Declared elected
Vice President	Judith Tobin	Declared elected
Secretary	John Niven	Declared elected
Treasurer	Julia Leung	Declared elected
Tournament Secretary	Niek Van Vucht	Declared elected

The President thanked Ian Dalziell and John Yoon who are retiring from the Council for their many years of dedication to the Council.

14. **Any Other Business**

Stephen Fischer spoke on his committee's proposals for reform to the selection procedures for the Seniors' Trial. Both Ian Robinson and Ross Crichton made suggestions. Members were asked to contact Stephen if they have other comments. These included implications for the creation of the Calendar.

15. There being no further business, the President thanked everybody for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 5.40 pm.