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Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the WASSI Zoom, 13 February 2022

Opening:

The Annual General meeting of the Walsh Aviation Support Society Inc (WASSI) opened at 1910hrs NZDT using Zoom on Sunday the 13th of February 2022.

Attended by:

Dean Beverley, Steven Bodt, Dene Busby, Taran Busby, Carlton Campbell, Scott Cowley, Carolyn Craig, Phillip Craig, John Hamilton, Fred Hansen, James Hillson, David Jupp, Sue Mealing, Murray Miskelly, Peter Mount, Gordon Ragg, Grant Reidy, Nicholas Rowe, Steve Scott, Aaron Silcock, Jillian Smith, Glen Sycamore, Janet Taylor, Matthew Tiernan, Nicholas Vanderschantz, Jeff Walton, Timothy Whitehead, Mark Woodhouse

Apologies were received from:

Marc Brogan, Ross Crawford, Amit Dhiman, Aimee Elliot, Matthew Farrington, Penelope Mackay, Gary Parata, Mellissa Silcock, Andrew Sims, Andrew Taylor, Nicola Vanderschantz, Alexander Warriner, Helen Warriner,

Resignations received from:

No resignations were received.

A motion was tabled that the apologies be accepted.

It was moved by Mark Woodhouse and Seconded by Steve Scott that the record of attendance and apologies be accepted. These records were accepted unanimously.

Introduction:

The meeting was opened and chaired by Mark Woodhouse who welcomed attendees and thanked them for attending.

Attendees were invited to participate as fully using Zoom as they may otherwise. Participants were introduced to the "Raise Hand" feature and the procedures for muting and unmuting so that questions and discussion could be accommodated for all members. Questions and open discussion were invited and encouraged.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The Minutes of the previous WASSI AGM held in Matamata 14 January 2021 were circulated prior to the meeting. No matters were discussed as arising from these minutes and members did not have any questions regarding these.

The minutes of the 2021 WASSI AGM were moved as accepted as a true and accurate record by Phil Craig, and seconded by Gordon Ragg. These minutes were passed unanimously as accurate with no matters arising.

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman tabled and spoke to his report.

A copy of the Chairman's Report was circulated to members via email to the Society on 8 February 2022. A copy of the Chairman's Report is attached to these minutes.

The Chairman wished to reiterate what a successful year 2021 had been and recognized the work by Committee and Society members to achieve progress in 2021.

It was noted that the society had 5 airframes in various states of restoration.

It was reported that there are regular ongoing contributions by members which is significant and appreciated. There was identification of a financial shortfall of approximately 50,000 to complete all projects presently under restoration.

Taran asked if the approximate cost to the society of restoration of an aircraft to completion was \$200,000 in most cases. The chairperson discussed the learning of the members involved with the restoration of the five projects to date. It was noted that purchasing and restoring flying aircraft has proven more cost effective than purchasing and restoring aircraft that are not airworthy at the time of purchase. It was also discussed that with more experience working with suppliers and manufacturers has provided further opportunities to identify and acquire goods and services at improved rates for current and future projects. It is not expected that all aircraft will cost \$200,000 to complete.

Aaron asked if there had been an increase in members during the preceding year. The secretary was able to report that the society membership list is presently at 100 members. He noted that after the previous AGM in Matamata an increase of approximately five members were received and during the 2021/2022 year approximately 3 more members have joined using the application form on the website.

A motion was tabled that the Chairman's Report be received and entered into the records of the Society. It was moved by Taran Busby, seconded by Phil Craig that the Chairman's Report be accepted. This was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer tabled and spoke to his report.

A copy of the Treasurer's Report was circulated to members via email to the society on 8 February 2022. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached to these minutes.

The Treasurer directed members to the summary of reports circulated and highlighted the income and expenditures for the preceding year.

The Treasurer noted the impact of ongoing contributions by society members. These contributions create aircraft that generate income to self-fund and support the society to achieve its goals. It was noted that receipts will be forthcoming in May.

Glen asked if the income from FML covered costs of this aircraft for the society. The chairperson reported that income exceeds maintenance costs of keeping this aircraft airworthy. FML has proven to be well used by the Wellington Aeroclub and it is hoped that this continued use by the Wellington Aeroclub will be ongoing.

A motion was tabled that the Treasurer's Report be received and entered into the records of the Society. It was moved Dene Busby and seconded by Nick Rowe that the Treasurers Report be accepted. This was passed unanimously.

Election of Committee Members:

According to the constitution, committee positions are of a two-year term and therefore these required re-election at the 2022 AGM. Nominations were called for prior to the AGM in accordance with the constitution.

Nominations were received by the secretary for:

Mark Woodhouse (Chairman)

Steven Bodt (Treasurer)

Nicholas Vanderschantz (Secretary)

John Hamilton (Committee Member)

Stephen Scott (Committee Member)

David Jupp (Committee Member)

No further nominations were received.

The following committee members were voted into roles for a two-year term from February 2022 until February 2024.

A motion was tabled that the WASSI Committee comprise:

Mark Woodhouse (Chairman)

Steven Bodt (Treasurer)

Nicholas Vanderschantz (Secretary)

John Hamilton (Committee Member)

Stephen Scott (Committee Member)

David Jupp (Committee Member)

It was moved that the WASSI committee comprise these members until 2024 by Jason Robson, and seconded by Aaron Silcock. This motion was passed unanimously.

Motions to be Considered:

No motions were tabled by members either before or during the AGM.

General Business / Questions:

Phil Craig discussed opportunities to produce WASSI marketing tools such as hats and shirts. Phil and Carolyn have worked with Mark to have sample products produced. It is envisaged that such products could be purchased by interested parties to show their support of the society. Wearing branded apparel may provide additional opportunities for members to promote and discuss the society. It is not envisaged that this would be an income stream for the society, but instead an opportunity for members to show their support and to raise the profile of the society when wearing these items.

Gordon Ragg inquired about how members are introduced to the opportunities to contribute to the society. Gordon suggested that a formalised joining letter might be suitable to provide new members with information regarding how to make ongoing contributions or how to successfully discuss membership and fundraising with potential members or sponsors. The Chairperson and Secretary have taken to advancing this project.

Conclusion:

The Annual General Meeting of the Walsh Aviation Support Society Inc. (WASSI) closed at 1940hrs NZDT on Thursday the 13th of February 2022.