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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at FBYC at 19.00hrs. on 06/04/2023

Meeting commenced at 19.00hrs.

- 1. **Present:** Mike Hughes, Martha Owen, Tony Davies, Amanda Griffiths, Jim Dale, Geoff Turner, Yasmin Barlow, Gaynor Martin, Michael Hughes, Martin Barlow, Mick Renny, Peter Kedward, Carole Davies, Nic Wood, Alyson Wood, Rick Mabey and Eifion Griffiths + one unidentified signature.
- 2. Apologies: Valerie Coleman, Kraig Murley, Rohini Kedward and Maureen Dale.
- 3. **Previous Minutes:** The minutes of the annual general meeting held on 08/04/2022 had been circulated and were approved. Proposer: Martin Barlow; seconded Geoff Turner.
- 4. Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.
- 5. Commodore's Report:
 - The Commodore commenced his report by extending his condolences towards the family and friends of member Dai Morris who has recently passed away.
 - The previous year had seen the Club celebrating its 75th anniversary with several events.
 - Amongst them was the staging of the Battle for Fishguard Bay together with a best dressed boat competition and BBQ. Such was the success of this event it is proposed to make it an annual occasion.
 - The Commodore expressed his thanks to the volunteers who manage the affairs of the Club and ensure it is kept running. This has become increasingly difficult in recent times.
 - Especial thanks were extended to Martin and Yasmin Barlow for their untiring work to keep the bar running and dealing with a myriad of jobs around the Club premises.
 - On the water the rowers and sailors have been active throughout the sailing season.
- 6. **Treasurer's Report**: The treasurer's report was circulated and unanimously accepted. Acceptance proposed by Peter Kedward and seconded by Eifion Griffiths.
 - The books show a £6000 loss over the previous year although last year's figures included a substantial grant entry.
 - There was a small surplus on the bar accounts.
 - The Treasurer advised that our costs were rising rapidly and a close watch on expenditure was being imposed.

7. Election of Officers of the Club

 By convention all serving officers of the Club stood down for re-election and the following appointments were confirmed:

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- Chairman: Tony Davies resigned his position and was succeeded by Geoff Turner.
- Commodore: Mike Hughes
- Vice Commodore: Martha Owen.Hon Treasurer: Amanda Griffiths.
- Sailing Captain: Geoff Turner.
- Membership Secretary: Rick Mabey.
- Hon. Secretary: Jim Dale
- 8. **Election of Committees:** The following committees had their election renewed: Executive Committee, Entertainments Committee, Sailing Committee, and Wine Committee. **Note:**Len Murrow has joined the Executive Committee; Rick Mabey will stand down as Membership Secretary at the end of the calendar year; Martin and Yasmin Barlow and Mandy Griffiths request that they also stand down from the Executive Committee once replacements come forward.
- 9. **Auditors**: It was proposed by Peter Kedward and seconded by Mick Rennie that Messrs. Pritchard and Co. be re-elected as Auditors of the Club.
- 10. Receipt of Motions: None received.

11. Any Other Business:

- The outgoing Chairman raised the issue of more volunteers being needed to help run the Club and assist with various tasks to help keep down costs. Help is required from members to carry out bar work, DIY, handling social media, collation of data bases and spreadsheets and the like and to also fill potential vacancies on the Executive Committee. Should any member feel that he or she can help in any way they are requested to make themselves known to any member of the Executive Committee.
- Again, the outgoing Chairman made the point that the Club needs its members to use the facilities or risk losing them. To date the bar has been administered by the Barlows as a free service and once they step down, we will no doubt need to appoint stipendiary bar staff. The current bar receipts would not support this. This is very much a use it or lose it scenario.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 19.25hrs.

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