

Committee Meeting opened: 6.16pm

Present: Dillon Burke, Melissa Muckart, Elizabeth Kent, Angela

Apologies: Trent

The Chair read through the agenda items, and the Registrar announced the voting results of the postal ballot. No election of a committee member was required, as there had only been one nominee.

Motion to Allow Late Votes to be Counted

Moved: Dillon Shiel Burke (Chair)

That all votes received from eligible members in the week prior to the AGM shall be counted as valid votes for the 2015 AGM of the Society for Creative Anachronism (New Zealand).

21 Agree / 1 Disagree

CARRIED

Minutes of the 21 January 2015 Special General Meeting

Moved: Dillon Shiel Burke (Chair)

That the draft minutes of the 21 January 2015 Special General Meeting be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

20 Agree / 2 Abstain

CARRIED

Treasurer's Report

Moved: Dillon Shiel Burke (Chair)

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

Proposed Amendments to the SCA New Zealand Rules

Moved: Dillon Shiel Burke (Chair)

2. Amend clause 2.a.14 to correct the spelling of the word “Organizational” so that the clause now reads:

14. “Branch” is any branch of the Society as defined in section III.C of the Organizational Handbook.

21 Agree / 1 Abstain

CARRIED

3. Change clause 2.a.11 to read:

“The SCA Ltd” is The Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd (Australia).

and change all references elsewhere in the rules from “SCAA” to “SCA Ltd”.

21 Agree / 1 Disagree

CARRIED

4. Amend clause 4.3.c so the word “a” is “an” and the whole clause now reads:

c. Participants at Society events who have entered their details on an Event membership form shall be considered members for the duration of that event but shall accrue none of the privileges extended to sustaining members.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

5. Amend clause 4.4b to read:

b. Subscribing memberships are for one year or three years and expire at the end of the calendar month the membership started in.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

6. Amend clauses 4.2.b, 4.2.c, and 4.3.c by changing the word “sustaining” to “subscribing”.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

7. Insert new clause 6c that reads:

c. All Corporate officers must be members of the Society throughout their term of office. All Corporate officers must be at least 18 years of age and resident in New Zealand for at least one year prior to the start of their term.

19 Agree / 3 Disagree

CARRIED

8. Amend clause 5.2a by inserting “and Corporate officers” so that the whole clause reads:

- a. Committee members and Corporate Officers may not be:
1. Seneschal of any sized group,
 2. Reeve of any group of size barony or above,
 3. any Greater officer of any kingdom,
 4. Baron or Baroness of any barony,
 5. Prince or Princess of any principality,
 6. King or Queen of any kingdom.

This motion was withdrawn after feedback from members.

9. Replace all of clause 8.2 with the following:

8.2 Notification

- a. Meetings of the Committee may be called by the Chairperson or by two other Committee members. Notice of such a meeting, including the agenda, must be published electronically to the members not less than one (1) week prior to the date of the meeting, such that feedback from the membership may be offered to the Committee. Agendas shall be worded in such a way as to protect the privacy of any individuals to be discussed.
- b. Notice of the time and place of a meeting shall be given to all Committee members and Corporate officers by telephone or email.

21 Agree / 1 Disagree

CARRIED

10. Add a new subclause 8.4g that reads:

g. All electronic votes held by the committee between meetings are to be listed in the next set of committee minutes.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

11. Amend 9.d by inserting “the” between “of” and “day” so that the clause now reads:

d. Quorum for a Postal meeting of the Society shall be determined on a motion-by-motion basis by the number of valid votes cast for that motion, and shall be the greater of 10 or 10% of the number of current members of the Society as determined at the beginning of the day on which the meeting date was announced. Two scrutineers selected by the committee who are not themselves members of the committee or corporate officers must be present when the votes are counted. The names of these people shall be published to the members with the agenda for the meeting.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

12. Make the following changes to the notice periods for general meetings of the Society:

- delete clauses 9.1.b, 9.1.c and 9.1.d, and
- amend clause 9.e to read: “Notice of the time and place of the meeting, must be published to the members not less than six (6) weeks prior to the date of the meeting.”, and
- insert a new clause 9.f reading: “Motions for the meeting may be submitted by any member. Such motions must be submitted to the Committee for inclusion in the agenda not later than four (4) weeks prior to the meeting. The agenda may not be changed within four (4) weeks of the meeting, but may be altered prior to this as long as the agenda is republished.”, and
- amend the notice period in 14.b from “six (6) weeks” to “four (4) weeks”, and
- renumber clauses as required.

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

13. Amend 9.2.a by deleting “not less than one (1) week” so that the clause now reads:

a. All eligible members may vote on business at a meeting of the Society, either by registering their vote by postal mail or electronic mail to the Registrar prior to the date of the meeting, or by attending the meeting in person (unless the meeting is a Postal meeting).

22 Agree / 0 Disagree

CARRIED

Meeting closed: 6.30pm.