

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Society for Creative Anachronism, New Zealand Inc.

43 Waipani Road, Te Atatu Pensular, Waitakere City, Auckland.
Sunday 26 November 2006, 10:25 am

Attendees:

Committee Members :

Peter Grooby (Chair), Meghann Exley, Robyn Guy (Acting secretary), B. Mole

Regular members:

Nick Baldock, Andrew Linn, Wendy Rowsell, Vansessa Marsh, David Robb, Alistair Ramsden, M. Mole, Derek Tomes(Late), Kelsie McArthur (Late).

Apologies:

Trent, Michelle, Casey Baxter, Adrian Baxter, Alex Rossiter.

Minutes for last meeting: Vote for accepting minutes was in a revised agenda, which it eventuates, was not sent out, so not on published agenda. Voting on minutes is usual but to required, therefore not voting on past minutes.

Chair called for objections: none.

Motion 1:

That the Accounts for the past year of the SCA NZ, Inc, be accepted.

Chair read the accounts. See appendix A for accounts in full.

AR asks that a note be put on the balance sheet to note subscription liability for next years accounts.
No objections.

Yes = 26 (100%), No = 0, Abstain – 1 (100%)

Motion Passed

Revision of rules

(NB as these motions relate to changes to our rules, then as per our rules they require a 2/3rds majority to pass).

Motion 2:

That the following paragraph be removed with the understanding that voting on Motion 3 (below) shall also occur.

Paragraph 3 of section 5.1 Structure of the Committee, currently reads: Committee members may not serve as greater officers for any branch of Barony or greater level whilst serving on the Committee.

For reference, the “greater officers” are currently taken to be Seneschal, Herald, Marshal, Arts and Sciences, Reeve, Chronicler, and Chirurgeon.

Yes = 25 (96%), No = 1, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

Motion 3:

That if Motion 2 (above) is accepted, the following restrictions are to be placed on committee members, as determined by whichever motions are carried, and that paragraph 3, section 5.1 shall be re-written and inserted to restrict committee membership as determined by the membership.

Committee members may not be:

1-1 Seneschal of any size group.

Yes = 18 (69%), No = 8, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

1-2 If the above fails, Seneschal of any group of size barony or above.
Not required to be voted on.

1-3 If the above fails, Seneschal of any principality.
Not required to be voted on.

1-4 If the above fails, Seneschal of any kingdom.
Not required to be voted on.

2-1 Reeve of any size group.
Yes = 15 (57%), No = 11, Abstain = 1

2-2 If the above fails, Reeve of any group of size barony or above.

Yes = 21 (80%), No = 5, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

2-3 If the above fails, Reeve of any group of size principality or above.
Not required to be voted on.

2-4 If the above fails, Reeve of any kingdom.
Not required to be voted on.

3-1 Any other officer of any size group.
Yes = 3 (12%), No = 22, Abstain = 1

3-2 If the above fails, any other officer of any group of size barony or above.
Yes = 5 (19%), No = 21, Abstain = 1

3-3 If the above fails, any other officer of any group of size principality or above.
Yes = 14 (54%), No = 12, Abstain = 1

3-4 If the above fails, any other officer of any kingdom.

Yes = 18 (72%), No = 7, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

4- Baron or Baroness of any barony.

Yes = 19 (73%), No = 7, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

5-Prince or Princess of any principality .

Yes = 23 (88%), No = 3, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

6-King or Queen of any kingdom.

Yes = 23 (88%), No = 3, Abstain = 1

Motion Passed

Motion 4:

That a new paragraph be added to the end of section 4.2.1 Payment of Membership Fees, as follows:

The committee may set different rates within each class of membership using clearly defined criteria, as determined by the committee.

Chair explains meaning of the Motion: Allows tweaking of memberships . David Robb: proposes a note to the motion that appropriate consultation need to be done before changes are implemented and ensured they are widely advertised.

Yes = 25 (96%), No = 1, Abstain = 0

Motion Passed

Motion 5:

That a new paragraph be added to the end of section 3 Affiliated bodies, as follows

The committee may enter into affiliation agreements with SCA colleges under the auspices of a New Zealand student union, under such mutually agreeable criteria as determined by the committee.

Yes = 27 (100%), No = 0, Abstain = 0

Motion Passed

Motion 6:

That the second sentence of section 9.1 Annual General Meetings be reworded as follows:

The AGM shall be held within the period 4 weeks either side of the 15th November and hosted by alternating Geographical Branches as determined by the committee.

That the second sentence of section 9.1 Annual General Meetings currently reads:

The AGM shall be held during the month of November and hosted by alternating Geographical Branches as determined by the committee.

Yes = 25 (92%), No = 2, Abstain = 0

Motion Passed

Votes with respect to changes to the Society Marshals handbook and/or the SCA Organizational Handbook:

Vote 1

If the rules of the lists as included in SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INC. ORGANIZATIONAL HANDBOOK, were changed to remove the designation of Banner Bearer as a specific activity, open to those aged 14 and 15, do you believe that this would run contrary to the interests of the membership of the SCA NZ Inc?

Yes = 18, No = 4, Abstain = 5

Vote 2

If the rules of the lists as included in SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INC. ORGANIZATIONAL HANDBOOK, were changed to remove the designation of Scout as a specific activity, open to those aged 14 and 15, do you believe that this would run contrary to the interests of the membership of the SCA NZ Inc?

Yes = 13, No = 8, Abstain = 6

Vote 3

The current revision of the Society Marshals handbook were enforced with respect to the requirement of minimum heavy armour for combat archers, do you believe that this would run contrary to the interests of the membership of the SCA NZ Inc?

Yes = 10, No = 17, Abstain = 0

Vote 4

If an entry was not permitted in the Kingdom of Lochac Combat handbook, creating a class of combatants who may not be deliberately struck, do you believe that this would run contrary to the interests of the membership of the SCA NZ Inc?

Yes = 26, No = 1, Abstain = 0

General Business

1. BJ Mole: to propose a motion to the next general meeting that only half of the committee members need attend. Motion to be discussed on the SCANZ Inc. email list.

2. Alistair Ramsden: Do SCANZ Inc. think that having an ASC presence at NAAMA would be good? Wendy stated that NAAMA is a fighting style and the SCA fighting rules do not comply, so we cannot "play" Matt Mole: Received information that the SCA would be welcome at NAAMA and could fight SCA. Alistair Ramsden: What does the SCANZ Inc think about running a 'competing' event? Peter Grooby: Is up to individuals to run an event. Kelsie: Students would not be able to go at that time.

Meeting Closed at 11:15 am