

RSCDS Glasgow Branch

Minutes of the AGM by Proxy on Monday 29 June 2020

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the lockdown imposed on 23 March 2020, it was not possible for Glasgow Branch to hold the AGM on Thursday 14 May 2020 as originally intimated in the Spring Newsletter 2020.

By the unanimous decision of the Committee on 4 June 2020 it was decided to hold an AGM by Proxy on Monday 29 June 2020 at 19.00, all members to be informed by either email or by post.

Members who have email addresses were advised on 5 June 2020 that an AGM by Proxy would be held on 29 June 2020. A letter was posted to the members not on email.

Included in both sets of correspondence was a list of nominations. Members were invited to submit further nominations by 12 June 2020. In total four people offered to come onto the Committee - Amy Bryson, Marion Cusick, Anne Murray and Marilyn Mowbray. Thank you to them all.

On 13 June 2020, two further emails were sent. The first detailed the documentation giving hyperlinks to the Chairman's Remarks, Minutes of the AGM 2019, the Secretary's Report, the Treasurer's Report and the accounts. Members were reminded of their membership number and told that the proxy/voting form would follow in a separate/second email.

The second email consisted of the proxy/voting form with instructions on how to complete it.

All the documentation was sent to those with a postal vote (apart from one member who declined to take part) on 15 June with the exception of the AGM Minutes for 2019. Members could request a copy of the AGM Minutes for 2019 from the Secretary.

A reminder email, including the information that all email responses were acknowledged, was sent on 19 June.

Copies of the emails and letters sent out will be held with these Minutes.

To enable the smooth running of the AGM by Proxy a separate email address was set up – agm@rscdsglasgow.org. Hamish Gibb (Secretary) and Mary Webster (Treasurer) acted as the tellers.

My thanks to both of them for all the work that the AGM by Proxy entailed.

The results:-

80 email replies and 13 postal replies received.

93 hereby appointed:

Margaret Sanders, Chairman of RSCDS Glasgow Branch as their proxy to vote in their name and on their behalf at the meeting of the Association to be held on 29 June 2020 at 19.00 according to their wishes.

Resolution 1. To approve the Minutes of the AGM held in May 2019

Note: The Minutes were altered to resolve a discrepancy, noted by a member, between the original figure for membership given in Section 2, with the correct figure of 271 given in Section 5.

30 for Resolution 1	Number against 1	Abstentions 62
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Resolution 2. To approve the Accounts and Trustees Report

90 voted for Resolution 2	Number against 1	Abstentions 2
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Resolution 3. To appoint Robert McColl as Auditor for 2020/21

92 voted for Resolution 3	Number against 0	Abstentions 1
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Resolution 4. To elect all Members of the Committee as listed below

Office Bearers and Committee

Chairman Margaret Sanders

Vice-Chairman Sebastian Wanless

Secretary Amy Bryson

Treasurer Mary Webster

Social Convenor Aileen Warwick

Class Convenor Helen Wood

Communications Convenor Debra McAlees

Outreach Convenor Susan Ewington

Membership Secretary Sandra McAllister

Ordinary Committee Members :

Eilidh Hart

Marion Cusick

Marilyn Mowbray

Anne Murray

91 voted for **Resolution 4**

Number against 1

Abstentions 1

Resolution 5. To appoint Chris Sanders as Archivist 2020/21

92 voted for **Resolution 5**

Number against 0

Abstentions 1

Resolution 6. To reconfirm the Hon President, Ruth Beattie and Hon Vice President John Johnston

91 voted for **Resolution 6**

Number against 0

Abstentions 1

Comments/questions received are listed on a separate sheet and have already been emailed to the committee.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work and support since the last AGM. Hamish Gibb, Joyce Carmichael, Wendy Petrie and Scott Smith have now retired from the committee – a special thank you to each and every one of them.

I hope to be able to welcome our members to the AGM in 2021 on Thursday 20 May in our usual format.