



Minutes of 2019 Annual General Meeting of MAUK

Date: Sunday 27th October 2019

Time: 2.30pm

Location: Kerala House

Chairperson: R. Sambasivan

Secretary: Anilkumar Edavana

- The meeting commenced at 2.57 pm when the quorum was met.
- The Chair welcomed the members and requested to observe a minute silence in respect of members and others who have passed away in the community since the last Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- The Chair briefed the agenda
- The Secretary explained the agenda. He stated that two sets of minutes need to be approved at this AGM; Minutes of AGM 2017 and EGM 2018.
- The Secretary reminded the members to adhere to the agenda as closely as possible, requesting to ask questions only related to the subject. Any other questions to be raised during the AOB session
- The AGM approved the minutes of AGM 2017. Proposed by Subash Mohanan and seconded by Vinod Sukumaran.
- The Secretary reminded that the EGM was held last year as the 2017 annual accounts were not approved at the AGM 2017. Lizzy Vincent proposed to pass the EGM minutes which was seconded by Mohanadas Madhavan.
- The Secretary presented the Annual Report
 - All 14 directors worked successfully as a team and took decisions collectively
 - Kerala faced one of the biggest calamities in living memories and the board of directors worked hard to support and aid those affected
 - Malayalam School reopened with the support of Malayalam Mission. The inauguration of UK wide Malayalam Schools took place at Kerala House in 2016. Classes at Kerala House are running successfully with the help of Directors and Volunteers.
 - Women's Forum was reintroduced
 - The Chair thanked everyone who helped with MAUK services
- The Secretary mentioned about the fund raising for Kerala Flood Relief as the most prestigious element of the year. MAUK collected £41,000.

Services

- Dance Class

Currently there are no dance classes at MAUK due to the unavailability of teachers – MAUK is still in the process of looking to appoint a teacher.

- Elder's Club

Running successfully every Thursday. Sponsorship bookings completed for 2020

- Annual Report was approved by the AGM; proposed by Priyavrathan Sathyavrathan and seconded by Jasline Antony

Accounts

- The CFO, Sreekumar Kunjuraman presented the 2018 accounts.
- Priyan asked the CFO to brief through the accounts. AGM approved the accounts. Proposed by Jasline Antony and seconded by Rajeev Anandan.

Election

- 2 nominations – Rohoney Dayanand and Subash Viswanathan
- Seena Ajish asked clarification on the election process; the Secretary explained through the procedure

Break

AGM took a 30-minute break at 3.30pm; meeting resumed at 4.00pm

AOB

- Jasline Antony asked if family / couple membership have the right to vote individually. Sreejith Sreedharan supported this proposal. Priyan suggested to seek expert advice before submitting this resolution at the next AGM
- Lizzy Vincent asked about the Befriending Service. The Chair explained that so far 5 homes have been visited and looking to improve this service
- Seena Ajish suggested more members meetings and gatherings. Sreejith explained MAUK is doing its utmost best to increase membership and bring members to all MAUK events.
- Sreejith appreciated and thanked Mr Prem of Ananthapuri restaurant for providing lunch for the Elder's Club
- The Secretary gave a brief explanation on how the Kerala Flood Relief funds were utilised in Kerala, installing fresh drinking water for the people in the district of Alappuzha.
- Seena Ajish and Dileep Gangadharan questioned the cancellation of this year's Family Fun Day. Sreejith explained how this was originally planned with special guest MP Shashi Tharoor. However due to the elections in India, Mr Tharoor was not able attend and therefore too late to book a venue for an alternative date. Therefore, the event was completely cancelled.
- Dileep Gangadharan mentioned Family Fun Day is an event many people in the community look forward to and requested MAUK to carry the Family Fun Day at any cost.
- Ajith Lekshmanan suggested MAUK should keep a Register of Interests
- AGM finished at 5pm