

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS

VENUE

Trinity House Tower Hill London EC3N 4HD

TUESDAY 30th OCTOBER 2012

Present:

Mr. R. Woods CBE Mr. A. Marsh FICS Mr. T. Dixon FICS Mr. M. Crager FICS Mr. K. Franz FICS Mr. V. Raducanescu FICS Mr. I. Ways FICS Mr. R. Hill FICS Mr. S. Kututa FICS Mr. J. Richardson FICS Mr. B. Ogilvy FICS Capt. R. Brook-Hart FICS Mr. M. Buchholz FICS Ms. S. Oatway FICS Mr. M. Jagannath FICS Mrs. N. Margioli FICS Ms. R. Zuyn FICS Capt. S. Dutt FICS Mr. M. Taliotis FICS Mr. A. Jain FICS Mr. R. Helm FICS Mr. G. Main FICS Mr. G. Greenwood FICS Mr. W. Lynch FICS Mr. A. Dobson FICS Mrs. H. Park FICS Mr. J. Foord FICS Mr. J Blum FICS Mr. M. Ilmi FICS Mr. M. De Silva FICS Mr. G. Nimmo FICS

ICS President ICS Immediate Past President ICS International Chairman ICS International Vice Chairman ICS Immediate Past Chairman

Secretary

In AttendanceMs. J. LithgowICS DirectorMs. S. ChaslesICS AccountantMr. D. BarrettICS Learning & Examinations ManagerMrs. S. PiermatteiICS Membership Co-ordinatorMr. N. IngleICS Commercial Projects Manager

Item

Action

1. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The **President** opened the meeting by welcoming all those present.

2. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 31st MAY 2012

The **Director** stated that the anticipated loss of \pm 250,000 had been reduced to \pm 95,000, but due to unrecoverable VAT, the actual result was a deficit of \pm 150,000.

During the year there had been significant savings relating to travel costs and the **Director** reported that the Institute's Auditors, Moore Stephens LLP had made two recommendations. The first recommendation was to resolve the issues surrounding VAT liability and the second to improve the Institute's membership database.

The **President** congratulated the **Director** and her team regarding the improved financial position and requested a proposer and seconder to approve the accounts as presented.

Capt. Brook-Hart proposed that the accounts be accepted and this proposal was seconded by **Mr. Ways.**

3. TO CONFIRM THE COMPOSITION OF CONTROLLING COUNCIL 2012/13

It was agreed that the **Secretary** would distribute the list of Controlling Council members with the minutes.

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Mr. Blum noted that the 2011/12 list of Controlling Council contained a member (MICS) representing Humber Branch and sought clarification regarding eligibility. The **Secretary** advised that branches were entitled to appoint representatives from their committee membership to represent them at Controlling Council, but it is only Institute fellows (FICS) who are eligible to vote at meetings.

Mr. Blum thanked the Secretary for his clarification.

Mr. Main advised that the chair of the London Branch had changed and that a new

representative had been appointed to Controlling Council.

Ms. Lithgow advised that, to date, London Branch had yet to officially inform details although, when advised, the Institute **Chairman** will be informed accordingly.

Mr. Blum advised that this matter will be raised at the next meeting of the London Branch Management Committee which is scheduled for 31^{st} October 2012.

The **President** asked for a proposer and seconder to, subject to amendment as discussed, confirm the composition of Controlling Council and, in response, **Mr. Blum** proposed that the list of Controlling Council members be approved and **Mr. Main** seconded the proposal.

4. TO ELECT AUDITORS

The **Director** recommended that the services of messrs. Moore Stephens LLP be retained and, in response to the **President's** request, **Capt. Brook-Hart** proposed retention of the services of Moore Stephens LLP and this was seconded by **Mr. Ways.**

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Lynch asked if it would be appropriate to eliminate the word 'Branch' from the international network and simply use the name of the country i.e. Institute of Chartered Shipbroker Ireland.

When asked, **Mr Lynch** explained that the reason for the request arose due to the fact that they recently negotiated with their local Revenue Commissioners to register their Educational Fund as a charity and the Commissioners were not wholly convinced that they were an independent unit.

During discussion, **Capt. Brook-Hart** asked if this would be appropriate where a branch represented more than one individual country i.e. East Africa Branch, West Africa Branch etc.

Upon conclusion, the **Chairman** confirmed that this matter would be discussed in greater detail by the Institute's Executive Council.

There being no other business, the **President** closed the meeting at 1025 hrs.