

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES for SPECIAL EGM on 10th FEBRUARY 2018

RESOLUTION #1

Appoint New Auditor

Explanation:

The RMGC Auditors, Camilleri Spiteri Advisory Services Ltd, resigned in June 2017, so the BOM was not ready at the last AGM to appoint the RMGC Auditors for 2017. A number of potential auditors were approached. Members are now asked to approve the appointment of Ennesse Malta.

RESOLUTION #2

Update Byelaw #4 – Exceptional Reserve Fund

The BOM increased the annual contribution and the cap on this fund at its Board Meeting on 21st November 2017as follows:

- a. *The annual contribution in Rule 4 was increased from €9317.50 [LM4000] to at least €10000 commencing 2018.*
- b. *The cap in Rule 5 was increased from €74174 to €80,000 from 2018; and will then be increased by 5% annually from 2019. [This increase replaces the previous indexing which has resulted in a smaller increase of 10.5% in the 7 years to 2016].*

Explanation:

The Constitution requires this update to be approved (or rejected) by members at the next General Meeting. The full updated Byelaw can be accessed by Members in the secure Management/Byelaws folder on the RMGC website.

RESOLUTION #3

Change the definition of Honorary Members

Rule 2.4 states:

‘Honorary Members shall be selected by the BOM in suitable cases and shall be announced to the general membership at a General Meeting..... Any such member shall not be liable for any subscription. Honorary Members retain the right to vote at General Meetings’.

Change to state:

‘Honorary Members are Full Members (see Rule 2.3.1) on whom this category of membership has been bestowed by the BOM and announced to the general membership at a General Meeting.Any such member shall not be liable for any subscription’.

Explanation: Define Honorary Members as Full Members (similarly to Life Presidents) so that they have the right to vote in the ballot under Rule 6.3.14(b) and (e).

RESOLUTION #4

Correct the BOM Election process and AGM Agenda

Rule 5.1(h) states: *‘Elect members to the BOM’.*

Replace with: *‘Announce the election of members of the BOM following the ballot’.*

Rule 6.3.10 Line 3 states: '*... at which the election will be held*'.

Replace with: '*... at which the result of the election will be announced*'.

Rule 6.3.11 states: '*Balloting will take place at the Club between 0900 and 1700 on the two days prior to any meeting at which elections will be held and between 0900 and 1800 on the day of the meeting.*

Replace with: '*Balloting will take place at the Club between 0900 and 1700 on the two days prior to the meeting at which the result of elections will be announced and between 0900 and 1800 on the day of that meeting*'.

Rule 6.3.14(e) states: '*In the event of a tie for any of the vacancies, further ballot(s) will be held amongst the Full Members present at the meeting until all vacancies are filled by candidates gaining a simple majority of the votes cast*'.

Replace with: '*In the event of a tie for any of the vacancies, further ballot(s) will be held amongst the Full Members present at the meeting at which the result of the ballot was to be announced until all vacancies are filled by candidates gaining a simple majority of the votes cast*'.

Explanation: A ballot is held in line with Rule 6.3.2 and the result is announced at the AGM. A second ballot is held at the AGM only in the unlikely event of a tie in line with Rule 6.3.14(e).

RESOLUTION #5

Remove all references to Officers

Rule 2.3.2(a). Remove '*officers or*'.

Rule 6.3.15 1st para, Line 1: Change '*amongst the elected Officers*' to '*on the BOM*'

Rule 6.3.15 1st para, Line 2: Change '*officer*' to '*Board Member*'.

Rule 7 Title: Remove '*and Officers*'

Explanation: Officers are not defined in the Constitution. Members of the Board and Captains are the only elected members of the Club.

RESOLUTION #6

Simplify Election to Membership

Remove final sentence in 1st Paragraph of Rule 3.1 which stated:

'The candidate's name and occupation and the names of his proposer and seconder shall be posted on the Club notice board for at least seven days before election'.

Explanation: This process has not been followed for many years. Candidates are initially vetted by Marsa Sports Club and subsequently by the BOM.