

FRANKLIN BRIDGE CLUB

MINUTES of Special General Meeting held at the clubrooms on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 7pm, to consider the club's committee's recommendation to increase subscriptions for 2023.

Present:

Caroline Griffin (president), Maureen Nelson (treasurer), Kevin Griffin, Neil Miller, Henriette Annabel, Teresa Green, Susie Longdell (secretary), Chris Glyde, Sue Spencer, David Spencer, Lynne Geursen, Jim Buckland, Ken Craze, Judy Collins, Teresa Phillips, Carol De Luca, Carol Moore, Gina Sangster, Sue Helleur, Neal Phillips, Dirk Mooy, Peter Rowe, Frances Gale, Kay Wallbutton, Margaret Gardiner, David Gardiner, Mary McGovern, Doug Hull, Neil Christensen, Gerald Baptist, Sharron Rusden, Madeline Dodds, Terry Evans, Trevor Robb, Arie Geursen, Christine Lyons, Ratilal Ranchhod, Tricia Balle, Linda Thornton, Margaret van der Coer, Maggie Urlich, Delwynne Homewood, Gayle Askew, Ann Anderson, Darren Old, Rolf Baettig, Yvonne Baettig,

Apologies:

Jonathon Taylor, Grant Jarvis, Denise Biddick, Janet Hogan, Frank Hogan, Belinda Summerville, Jan Rae, Maria Casci, Heather Walden, Robert Brake, Dianne Beckham, Alan Lancaster, John Fergusson, Bron Fergusson, Bev Henton.

Proceedings:

1. President Caroline Griffin opened the meeting at about 7.10pm and thanked members for the wonderful turnout.
2. Treasurer Maureen Nelson highlighted the reasons for the proposed subscription increase which were covered more fully in her report that was emailed to members well prior to the meeting. She noted the increasing fixed costs the club was facing, particularly for rates (caused by the Auckland Council decision to withdraw discounted rates for community groups). There had also been a big increase in insurance costs and property maintenance was another significant ongoing cost, Maureen said. Meanwhile, Covid had badly affected club income and since Covid restrictions eased, membership had decreased and fewer people were attending club sessions, causing a very marked decrease in club income from table money.
3. The motion to increase the FBC annual subscription for 2023 to \$100 plus the \$23 NZ Bridge levy making a total of \$123, including GST, (as proposed by Maureen Nelson, seconded by Caroline Griffin and recommended by the club committee) was put to the floor.

The motion was carried by a show of hands by 47 voters. There were no formal votes against the motion or any abstentions.

The meeting closed at about 7.25pm.