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Meeting type: DEGNZ 2019 AGM
Venue: West End Lawn Tennis Club
Date of Contact: 5 October 2019
Recorded by: Tema Pua
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Board members present: Phil Gore, Annie Collins, Michael Duignan, Francis Glenday, Howard Taylor (chair), Margot Francis
By skype: Louise Leitch
Staff present: Tema Pua
Members present: Rajeev Mishra, Samuel Shelton, Cushla Dillon, Ollie Lucks, Ben Close, Braden Miles, Shailesh Prajapati, David Gunson, Amarbir Singh, Aasta L. Otnes

RECORD OF DISCUSSION BY AGENDA ITEM AND ACTION REQUIRED

Agenda item – record of discussion	Action
<p><u>1. Apologies</u> Robyn Paterson, Roseanne Liang, Gabriel Reid</p> <p><u>Proxies</u> Peter Roberts, Scott Milligan – proxies held by Annie Collins</p>	
<p><u>2. Confirmation of Board</u></p> <p>No new nominations. The current board has agreed to stand again for 2019/20. Consequently, no election needed.</p> <p>Howard proposes acceptance of the re-elected board for 2019/20 as follows:</p> <p>President: Howard Taylor</p> <p>Vice-President: Louise Leitch</p> <p>Treasurer: Phil Gore</p> <p>National Executive: Annie Collins, Michael Duignan, Margot Francis, Francis Glenday, Roseanne Liang, Robyn Paterson and Gabriel Reid.</p> <p>Seconded by Margot Francis Passed unanimously</p>	
<p><u>2. Presentation of Minutes from AGM 2018</u></p> <p>Howard asks if there are any matters arising from the last AGM minutes. None raised.</p> <p>Howard proposed that the minutes be accepted. Annie seconds. Passed unanimously.</p>	

3. President's Report

Howard reads his 2019 President's Report. The full report is available to read on the DEGNZ website under 'Resources'.

Additional comments on the Report:

Re: NZFC Funding of Feature Films with Non-NZ Creatives

Howard added that we thought we were going along to have a fight with NZFC because they wanted to widen the rules, but actually they didn't. They wanted us to give them some reasons to say to producers, now you can't have our money. So what we thought was going to be a bunfight, turned out to be a happy agreement.

Re: Best Practice Guide for editors

Howard asked Annie Collins when it will be ready. Annie says they were hoping for end of this year, but not sure this is going to happen because of time restraints. They have about a third of the materials so far.

Howard asks how the reaction has been from post houses. Annie says they are very glad somebody is doing this, whether it's conform people, visual effects, and especially sound designers.

Cushla Dillon asks why don't post houses do what Park Road Post does. When you sign up you are told what you're expected to deliver. Annie says that that's what we're trying to do. We are getting/trying to get post houses to write down what they want because it does change from house to house because they've got different equipment. And they're handling different sorts of productions. So hopefully all of those will go up on our website and you can access what you need. Cushla comments that the guide will need to be constantly updated with changes in technology.

Re: DVD Library

Howard is not sure if Toi Whakaari's catalogue is online yet. Phil Gore adds that he believes the collection is 2000 DVDs.

4. Treasurers Report 2018-2019 Accounts

Phil Gore reads the financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2019. The Treasurers Report and Annual Report are available on the DEGNZ website under 'Resources'.

No questions from those present.

Howard proposed the Accounts be accepted. Seconded by Francis Glenday. Passed unanimously.

5. Remit to Adopt New Constitution

Howard reads the changes to the constitution for everyone's clarity. These additions are minor. They are:

On pg. 1 of the constitution under 'Description of the entity', pt. 2, "The Guild is an incorporated society and registered as a union pursuant to the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 and its amendments." That's a small addition.

Pt 4. "As a Union, the Guild must and will complete annual returns and abide by the Employment Relations Act 2000, including by remaining independent from any employer." That won't be too hard.

<p>Then the remit is that the DEGNZ adopt the new constitution.</p> <p>Louise Leitch seconds.</p> <p>Passed unanimously.</p>	
<p><u>6. General Business</u></p> <p>Michael Duignan encourages people to write in with responses to the Guild's questionnaire so the Guild can write a submission for the Screen Sector Strategy 2030. People are also welcome to submit individually. Tema will be organising reminders.</p> <p>Cushla Dillon, editor, raises that as a union, we start thinking about how we can be part of making the industry carbon-neutral as a long-term goal. Michael adds this should be part of the Screen Sector Strategy's thinking.</p> <p>A member asks when the DVD library will be available. Howard responds TBC - we're waiting on Toi Whakaari.</p> <p>END OF AGM</p>	