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Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the WASSI Matamata Aerodrome, 16 January 2020

Opening:

The Annual General meeting of the Walsh Aviation Support Society Inc (WASSI) opened at 2115hrs NZDT at the Walsh Memorial Scout Flying School at Waharoa Airfield on Thursday the 16th of January 2020.

Attended by:

Bianca Barbarich-Bacher, Dean Beverley, Steven Bodt, Jack Boyd, Dene Busby, Taran Busby, Carlton Campbell, Lucian Clark, Carolyn Craig, Phillip Craig, Tracey Gore, John Hamilton, Fred Hansen, James Hillson, Jack Holworthy, David Jupp, Kate Lindsey, Penelope Mackay, Nathan Manktelow, Sue Mealing, Rod Milne, Murray Miskelly, Alex Nota, Simon Nicholson, Kiran Parbhu, Gary Parata, Gordon Ragg, Nicholas Rowe, Callum Ryall, Steve Scott, Aaron Silcock, Andrew Sims, Jillian Smith, Glen Sycamore, Janet Taylor, Matthew Tiernan, Nicholas Vanderschantz, Mark Woodhouse

Apologies were received from:

Chris Fraser, Clive Williams, Jeff Walton, Jason Robson, Tui McInnes, Michelle Urquhart, Simon Davies, Scott Walsh, Breanna Coffey, Janelle Rouse, Ross Crawford, Phill Daiken, Brian & Kelly Haybittle, Melissa Silcock

Resignations received from:

No resignations were received.

A motion was tabled that the apologies and resignations be accepted.

It was were moved by Phil Craig and Seconded by Murray Miskelly that the record of attendance and apologies be accepted. These records were accepted unanimously.

Introduction:

The meeting was opened and chaired by Mark Woodhouse who welcomed attendees and thanked them for attending. Mark introduced the agenda of the meeting, and reminded attendees of the objectives of the WASSI:

- Raise and hold funds toward the purchase of a fleet of training aircraft and any supporting facilities and equipment that can be used by the Walsh Memorial Scout Flying School;
- Acquire and maintain a fleet of training aircraft and associated facilities and equipment;
- The general and fiscal support and benefit of aviation and aviation students; and,
- Do anything necessary or helpful to the above purposes.

Questions and open discussion were invited and encouraged.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The Minutes of the previous WASSI AGM held in Matamata 19 January 2019 were circulated prior to the meeting and were moved as accepted as a true and accurate record by Gordon Ragg, and seconded by Jack Holworthy. These minutes were passed unanimously as accurate with no matters arising.

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman tabled and spoke to his report.

A number of copies of the Chairman's Report were made available to the members at the meeting and distributed via email previous to the meeting. A copy of the Chairman's Report is attached to these minutes.

The chairman highlighted from that report what has been achieved in the past 12 months. Highlights included discussion of the continued use of ZK-FML and positive relationship with Wellington Aero Club. It was noted that there was an unforeseen grounding of FML due to the identified need to replace the engine early. This decision was taken by the committee to ensure safety and futureproofing of this aircraft.

Further highlighted was the purchase of ZK-MUM which has been shipped to JEM Aviation and is expected to begin rebuild in February 2020. The chairman noted that approximately \$93,000 of donations were received in 2019.

Next steps for 2020 were identified to be
Identification of further aircraft acquisition possibilities
Development of applications to charitable organisations for the engine for ZK-MUM
Need for all members to promote the WASSI within our personal networks

The chairman acknowledged and thanked society members for the small regular contributions that are made many society members. It was noted that these along with all other contributions are essential in supporting regular and unexpected bills of the society as well as major projects.

JEM aviation support was acknowledged by the Chairman.

A motion was tabled that the Chairman's Report be received and entered into the records of the Society. It was moved by Phil Craig and seconded by Dene Busby that the Chairman's Report be accepted. This was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer tabled and spoke to his report.

A number of copies of the Treasurer's Report were made available to the members at the meeting and distributed via email previous to the meeting. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached to these minutes.

The Treasurer directed members to summary of reports circulated and highlighted the income and expenditures for the proceeding year.

The Treasurer highlighted the costs associated with the refurbishment of ZK-MUM is estimated as follows:

13,000	purchase price
56,000	rebuilt Ly-com engine
110,000	build/refurbishment by JEM
180,000	total outlay

Noted in discussion was that it is estimated that a new light sport aircraft would cost approximately \$280,000 and is likely less robust an aircraft for regular flying school use.

A motion was tabled that the Treasurer's Report be received and entered into the records of the Society. It was moved by Nick Rowe and seconded by Taran Busby that the Treasurers Report be accepted. This was passed unanimously.

Election of Committee Members:

According to the constitution, committee positions are of a two-year term and therefore these required re-election at the 2020 AGM. Nominations were called for prior to the AGM in accordance with the constitution.

Nominations received by the secretary for:

Mark Woodhouse (Chairman)

Steven Bodt (Treasurer)

Nicholas Vanderschantz (Secretary)

John Hamilton (Committee Member)

Stephen Scott (Committee Member)

David Jupp (Committee Member)

No further nominations were received.

The following committee members were voted into roles for a two-year term from January 2020 until January 2022.

A motion was tabled that the WASSI Committee comprise:

Mark Woodhouse (Chairman)

Steven Bodt (Treasurer)

Nicholas Vanderschantz (Secretary)

John Hamilton (Committee Member)

Stephen Scott (Committee Member)

David Jupp (Committee Member)

It was moved that the WASSI committee comprise these members until 2022 by Jack Holworthy, and seconded by Carlton Campbell. This motion was passed unanimously.

Motions to be Considered:

No motions were tabled by members either before or during the AGM.

General Business / Questions:

Members thanked the committee for contributions to date and going forward.

Noted in discussion was that tax refunds from IRD are able to be directly returned to the organisation for which a donation is made. That is to say that should a donor choose to re-donate a tax refund their contribution is effectively compounded for the benefit of the organisation that the donation is going towards.

Summary by Chair:

The chair acknowledged with appreciation the contributions of the members. Mark noted the potential for significant contribution to the aviation industry that the members are making, including to the standard of safety for both the industry and young people of NZ.

The chair reminded the attendees that generation of financial income cannot be secured by the committee alone and encouraged all Society members to continue their commitment to the financial support of the WASSI through active promotion within their networks.

Conclusion:

The Annual General Meeting of the Walsh Aviation Support Society Inc. (WASSI) closed at 2200hrs NZDT on Thursday the 16th of January 2020.