

**MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Wednesday, June 10, 2020**

**Held via Zoom (because of COVID-19)**

# VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

Han-Ru Zhou, President, opened the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

# Samuel Shapiro, Secretary, confirmed that there was quorum and that the meeting could proceed.

1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Hillard Goldfarb, seconded by Marco Cianflone, Executive Vice-President, moved that agenda be adopted.

The motion was carried.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Mark Billings, seconded by Marco Cianflone, Executive Vice-President, moved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on May 30, 2019 be approved.

The motion was carried.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT: ACTIVITIES AND OUTLOOK**

Han-Ru Zhou, President, presented a document entitled “Report of the President.”

1. **EXAMINATION AND APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Alexandre Abecassis, Treasurer, presented the Harvard Club of Québec’s (hereafter “the Club”) annual financial statements for the period from May 24, 2019 until June 10, 2020.

A discussion ensued regarding the Club’s insurance policy.

The discussion having concluded, Marco Cianflone, Executive Vice-President, seconded by Joseph Cianflone, Vice-President for External Relations, moved that the Club’s annual financial statements for 2019-2020 be approved.

The motion was carried.

1. **AMENDEMENTS TO THE CLUB CONSTITUTION**

Han-Ru Zhou, President, explained the process and reasoning whereby certain amendments were made to the Club’s Constitution since the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

Samuel Shapiro, Secretary, gave details regarding some of these changes.

Pursuant to Article IX of the 2015 Constitution of the Harvard Club of Québec, the question was put to approve these changes to said Constitution.

The motion was carried on the following vote:

For: 18

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

Accordingly, the new Constitution (hereafter, “the Constitution”) was adopted.

1. **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution, Han-Ru Zhou, President, moved that the following individuals be appointed Directors and Members of the Executive Committee for 2020-2021:

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| **Title** | **Holder** | **Harvard Affiliation** |
| President | Marco Cianflone | Harvard College  AB 2013 |
| Executive Vice-President  Treasurer | Joseph Cianflone | Harvard College  AB 2007 |
| Secretary | Samuel Shapiro | Harvard College  AB 2008 |
| Director of Communications | Kendra Gray | Harvard Extension School  ALM 2011 |
| Director of Community Outreach | Michael Looft | Harvard Divinity School  MDV 2009 |
| Director of Arts and Culture | Hilliard Goldfarb | Graduate School of Arts and Sciences  AM 1974  PhD 1980 |
| Director at Large | Alexandre Abecassis | Harvard Business School  PLDA 2014 |
| Director at Large | Solange Blanchard | Harvard Extension School  ALM 2015 |

A discussion ensued.

The discussion having concluded, the question was put on the motion.

The motion was carried on the following vote:

For: 19

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

1. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Marco Cianflone, President-Elect, made remarks.

At the end of his remarks, pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution, Marco Cianflone, President-Elect, moved that the following individuals be appointed Officers of the Club:

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| **Title** | **Holder** | **Harvard Affiliation** |
| Officer | Suzanne Bays | University Interfaculty Initiatives  UFI 2019 |
| Officer | Sami Boutaleb | Harvard Business School  HBS 2019 |
| Officer | Dan Glikstein | Harvard Extension School  ALM 2019 |

The motion was carried.

A discussion ensued.

The discussion having concluded, pursuant to Article VI, Section 4 of the Constitution, Marco Cianflone, President-Elect, informed the Annual General Meeting that the first meeting of the new Board of Directors, as elected under item 7 of the present minutes, would be held on Wednesday, June 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Then, André Du Sault, Chair of the Board of Governors, made further remarks.

A discussion ensued.

1. **CLOSING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Joseph Cianflone, Executive Vice-President-Elect and Treasurer-Elect, seconded by Derek McKee, outgoing Director at Large, moved that the Annual General Meeting do now close.

The motion was carried.

Accordingly, the meeting was closed at 5:56 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Samuel Shapiro, Secretary.

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| Han-Ru Zhou  President | Samuel Shapiro  Secretary |