

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE CHRISTCHURCH 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Units 4&5, 275 Cashel Street, Christchurch
11.00am, Saturday, 25th May 2024**

1. In attendance

Stephanie Sew Hoy, Jeremy Chang, Andrew Starr, Isabelle Guitard, Chris Florkowski, Peter Moore, Debbie Watt, Eric Mouhica, Camille Chèze, Viktoria Edwald, Mariama Mergelina, Kathryn Hearsum, Allan Robertson, Antoine Denis, Fei Hicks, Fanny Laine, Ali Wilkinson, Brad Evans, Coralie De La Fage, Simi Ghoorahoo.

2. Apologies and Proxy Votes

- Christopher Weir, Fiona Bain, Sarah Peddie and Karine Legeay-Fisher sent their apologies and appointed Jeremy Chang as their proxy to exercise their vote at this meeting.
- Arthur Espinosa, Gabrielle Roche, Julien Chbib and Heather Libeau-Dow appointed Isabelle Guitard as their proxy to exercise their vote at this meeting.
- Philippe Gerbeaux and James Mehigan sent their apologies and appointed Fanny Laine as their proxy to exercise their vote at this meeting.

3. Welcome

AFC President, Jeremy Chang, welcomed members, staff and guests, and introduced Isabelle, who presented her director's report.

4. Receipt of reports and financial statements

Isabelle Guitard presented the Operations report (see Appendix 1).

Simi Ghoorahoo, Treasurer, presented the Finance report (see Appendix 2).

Jeremy Chang presented his President report (see Appendix 3). The report mentions that Jeremy Chang and Andrew Starr will not be seeking re-election as President and Vice-President respectively.

Motions:

That the President's report be accepted.

That the Finance report be accepted.

That the Operations report be accepted.

Proposed by Jeremy Chang. Seconded by Debbie Watt and Camille Chèze. All voted in favour. Motion passed.

5. Minutes of the previous AGM (held on 27th May 2023).

Motion: That the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Proposed by Jeremy Chang. Seconded by Stephanie Sew Hoy. All in favour. Motion passed.

6. Election of Reviewing Accountant

Motion: To continue using Community Capacity Accounting as the Reviewing Accountant.

Motion proposed by Jeremy Chang. Seconded by Isabelle Guitard. All in favour. Motion passed.

7. Election of Officers

Nomination of the President:

Jeremy Chang is standing down as President.
Fanny Laine nominates Fanny Laine. Seconded by Debbie Watt.
All in favour. Motion passed.

Nomination of the Vice President:

Andrew Starr is standing down as Vice President.
Peter Moore nominates Peter Moore. Seconded by Andrew Starr.
All in favour. Motion passed.

Nomination of the Treasurer:

Simi Ghoorahoo stands down as we take nominations for Secretary.
Jeremy Chang nominates Brad Evans. Seconded by Fanny Laine and Peter Moore.
All in favour. Motion passed

Nomination of the Committee members:

Jeremy Chang nominates Julien Chbib, Ali Wilkinson, Karine Legeay-Fisher, Debbie Watt, Allan Robertson, Antoine Denis, Katy Gosset and Philippe Gerbeaux as Executive Committee Members. Seconded by Fanny Laine.
All in favour. Motion passed.

8. General business

Peter Moore shared words of appreciation, on behalf of AFC members and the Francophone/Francophile community of Christchurch, for the indefatigable work and generosity of Jeremy Chang's time and his personal resources as President of AFC.
Peter Moore shared words of appreciation, on behalf of AFC members and the Francophone/Francophile community of Christchurch, for Isabelle Guitard who is working well above and beyond the call of duty.

The AGM was concluded by Jeremy Chang at 11.40 am.

Appendix 1: Director's report



OPERATIONS REPORT for AGM - Final.pdf

Appendix 2: Finance report



Finance Report AGM.pdf

Appendix 3: President's report



2024 AGM President Report.pdf

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