



***Arthritis Ireland: Minutes of the 33rd AGM of the Board
10th October 2013
Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross***

Attendees – Board:

Mr. John O'Flynn (Chairperson), Mr. Michael Kelly (Hon Sec), Mr. Seoirse Smith, Dr. Frances Stafford, Prof. David Kane, Mr. Conor Kavanagh, Ms. Anne-Marie Healy, Mr. Stephen O'Byrnes.

Branch Committee members and ordinary members attendance – Recorded on the day

In Attendance: Mr. John Church, CEO

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The notice convening the meeting has been circulated and the meeting duly called to order.

1: Resolution to Receive the Minutes of the AGM, December 13th 2012

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as a true and accurate record and were signed by Mr. John O'Flynn.

2: Resolution to receive the Annual Report and Accounts of Arthritis Ireland for year ended December 31st 2012.

The CEO read highlights from the 2012 accounts. A question was raised regarding the amount owed to creditors in the 2012 accounts; however this was clarified to be deferred income which was held over to 2013.

Michael Kelly proposed the adoption of the accounts. Dr Frances Stafford seconded.

3: Resolution to consider the election of new directors and to note the re-election and retirement of other directors.

Re-Election – Having served one term of 3 years on the board, the following directors have agreed to volunteer for a further term of 3 years. Ms. Anne-Marie Healy, Mr. Seoirse Smith, Mr. Michael Kelly and Mr. William Quinlan

Retirement – Dr Suzanne Donnelly, Ms. Miriam Molloy & Stephen O Byrnes have retired from the board. John O'Flynn thanked them for their service. The three people nominated to take their place are;

Ms. Emer Lyons – replacing Ms. Miriam Molloy as the representative of the IRHPS

Prof. Gerry Wilson – Co-opted to the board & replacing Mr. Stephen O'Byrnes

Dr. Brian Whelan – Replacing Dr. Suzanne Donnelly as a representative of the ISR.

Election of new directors- John O’Flynn noted there were 2 places on the board to be filled and vacancies had been advertised.

As votes had been cast by a combination of proxy form & polling card, Mr. John Church read the result;

Mr. Peter Boyd – 26 Votes

Ms. Erica Mitchell - 23 Votes

Ms. Mary Sharpe – 14 Votes

Peter Boyd & Erica Mitchell are deemed elected members for a term of 3 years. John O’Flynn offered congratulations

4: Resolution to reappoint Ernst & Young as auditors for 2013 by order of the board.

The chair pointed out to the membership that the auditors Ernst & Young carried out the 2013 audit on a pro-bono basis. It was pointed out that if they were to charge for their services, the cost to the organisation would be in the region of €15,000 per year. Proposed by Mr. Michael Kelly and seconded by Ms. Anne-Marie Healy

John O Flynn thanked the Staff and CEO of Arthritis Ireland for their work over the last 12 months through difficult economic times & also while a number of staff have left and while the recruitment of replacements was going on.

5: Any Other Business

None

Official Agenda Concluded & Meeting formally announced closed.

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Date _____