



Arthritis Ireland

Minutes of the AGM of the Board 13th October 2016
Trinity Biomedical Sciences Institute, Trinity College, Dublin 2

Attendees- Board: Mr John O'Flynn (Chairperson), Mr. Seoirse Smith (Vice-Chairperson), Mr Michael Kelly, , Mr. Peter Boyd, Ms. Emma MacDermott, Mr. Derek Deely, Prof. Gerry Wilson, Ms. Gaye Stephens, Prof. David Kane.

Apologies; Ms. Anne Plunkett. Ms. Ann-Marie Healy, Dr Bryan Whelan, Mr. John Tuohy Ms Erica Mitchell, Mr. Conor Kavanagh.

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.

Mr John O'Flynn thanked those members and Branch Committee members who travelled to attend the AGM.

1: Resolution to Receive the Minutes of the AGM, 8th October 2015. The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as a true and accurate record and were signed by Mr. John O'Flynn being proposed by Mr. Peter Boyd and seconded by Mr. Seoirse Smith.

2: Resolution to receive the Annual Report and Accounts of Arthritis Ireland for year ended December 31st 2015. The CEO read highlights from the 2015 accounts and gave a brief update of 2016 accounts. There were some questions from the floor regarding the accounts which were duly answered by the chairperson and the CEO. The accounts were proposed by Mr. Peter Boyd and seconded by Mr. Michael Kelly.

3: Resolution to note the election of new directors and the re-election and retirement of other directors. The Chair, Mr John O'Flynn, noted that he will continue as chair for another year as agreed with the vice-chair and the board. The chair acknowledged the vice-chair's work and support.

The chairperson noted that there are no nominations from the branches to replace the openings on the board. These nominations will be postponed until the December Board meeting.

Retirements:

- The chair noted the retirements from the board of Ms. Anne Plunket, Ms. AnnMarie Healy and Mr. Michael Kelly and thanked them for all they have done for the organisation as directors.
- The chair also noted the stepping down of two directors Mr. John Tuohy and Ms. Erica Mitchell and thanked them for all of their work as directors.

4: Resolution to note the retirement of Ernst & Young (EY) as auditors. The chair noted that EY have provided their services on a pro-bono basis and acknowledged the appreciation for the work and commitment by EY. The organisation will now replace the auditors for 2016 accounts. The Chair pointed out that the new auditors will not be working on a pro-bono basis.

The chair also noted and paid thanks to the staff and volunteers of Arthritis Ireland for their commitment and hard work.

5: AOB No other business. The official agenda concluded and the meeting formally drawn to a close.