

Minutes of HUST Board Meeting - 7.30pm Wednesday 5th February 2020 at Richmond Club

Present:

Elected HUST Board Members: Joanie Roberts (JR) Chair, Richard Tomkins (RGT), Michael Sessarego (MS) Vice Chair, Peter Sell (PS), Tony Taylor (TT) Treasurer

Non-voting Members

Independent Secretary - Administrative and Membership, Sarah Hudd (SH) Governance Secretary - Frank Williams (FW)

Apologies:

There were no apologies received

JR opened the meeting with an update on the private meeting between JR, PS and Nigel Edmondson (NE) prior to this meeting. The board were advised that NE had vacated his position on the HUST Board due to the nonconformity of the HUST Conduct Policy and Constitution, particularly Section 5.9.1

1.00 A vote of confidence was held for the Chair (JR) and Vice (PS). Proposed JH, Seconded TT, Carried unanimously

1.00 Minutes of Previous Meeting

- 1.01 Minutes of the previous meeting Wednesday 8th January 2020 were accepted as an accurate record of the previous meeting
- 2.00 A membership report was presented by SH and received by the Board
- 3.00 Treasurer's Reports were presented by TT and received by the Board
- 4.00 CRM Database
- 4.01 Discussion took place re: HUST Membership Database

5.00 Update on December Minutes

5.01 It was concluded from by the subcommittee to look into these minutes that they were not a true and accurate record of the meeting as the outgoing secretary had requested that the individual Directors present at that meeting clarify what had been discussed, by email, post meeting.

6.00 HFC AGM

6.01 Questions were asked why a benefactor was on the board, wasn't it a conflict

- of interest? The HFC Board responded by saying that there was nothing untoward as it was a strategic appointment.
- 6.02 Agreement was reached with HFC that they would hold quarterly meetings with all shareholders, including HUST, to give an update on the accounts.

7.00 HND Recruitment

- 7.01 FW advised there had been one application for the current vacant HND role on the HFC Board. As this was JR, FW advised that he had formally written to JR and inform that should she be successful she would be obliged, as per the Constitution, to stand down from the position of Chair of HUST.
- 7.02 The interview process would now proceed set for w/c 10th February 2020
- 7.03 Resolution: To let the HND Recruitment subcommittee, make the final decision and let the secretary notify the membership. Proposed MS, Seconded PS Carried unanimously
- **8.00** FW issued paperwork "By-law for premature vacancy" for Directors to read before the next meeting

9.00 Date of Next Meeting

7.01 Next HUST Board Meeting will be Wednesday 4th March 2020