

## **Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Go Society**

**Present:** Mirjam Marz 18k, Warrakun Manngrai 7k, David Schofield 6k, Sun Woo Nam 4k, Carlos Alperin 3k, Rodney Topor 3k, Edwin Clarke 3k, Pei Qi Sun 1d, Horatio Davis 1d, Derek Pan 1k, Kevin Oh 2d, Mark Bell 2d, Ik Hwan Kim 3d, Yanis Newman-Pache 3d, JungWoo Lee 3d, Ken Xiao 4d, Sungho Chung 4d, Markus Pache 4d, Kevin Jiang 5d.

**Apologies:** Bill Leveritt 4k, Cecil Kuo 1d.

**Chair:** Horatio Davis 1d. **Minutes:** Horatio Davis 1d.

**Meeting opened at 12:03pm on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> of March, 2017**, in the downstairs room of Club Sosay, 2 Latrobe Terrace, Paddington.

Horatio Davis moved that the minutes of the 2016 annual general meeting be confirmed. The motion was seconded by Mark Bell and passed unanimously.

Horatio Davis spoke to his annual report as general secretary of the Society (below). Markus Pache moved that the report be accepted. This was seconded by Horatio Davis and passed unanimously.

The meeting noted the written report of Allan Hunt as convenor of the Brisbane Go Club and noted that there were no annual reports from any other chapter convenor.

The chair declared the position of general secretary of the Queensland Go Society vacant and called for nominations. Mark Bell nominated Horatio Davis, seconded by Edwin Clarke. There being no other nominations, Horatio Davis was declared elected unopposed.

The chair declared the position of Brisbane Go Club convenor vacant and called for nominations. Horatio Davis nominated Allan Hunt, seconded by Carlos Alperin. There being no other nominations, Allan Hunt was declared re-elected unopposed.

The chair called for items of general business. There were none.

After some discussion, the meeting provisionally decided that the next Queensland Championships should be held in March 2017, at a venue to be determined by the state council.

### **Appendix A: 2016 Annual Report – Queensland Go Society**

At the last Queensland Open, we had three chapters plus a nascent third. At the end of this Queensland Open, we will have four chapters, stretching from Toowoomba to Lismore. The last active membership list we updated the Australian Go Association with had three life members, 18 voting members and 39 registered players on it, which compares favourably with last year's two life members, 23 voting members and 24 registered players.

Allan Hunt had a good, if quiet year as supreme high overlord of the Brisbane Go Club. You will notice the club is in new premises here at Club Sosay, and planning and arrangements for the move went smoothly. I would like to propose a vote of thanks to Cindy Wong, the proprietor of the Go Lounge where the club had met since 2012.

We have a standing invitation from the Chermside Critical Mass board gaming group to turn up with go boards when they meet on Friday evenings. Allan has been taking them up on it every month or two. I commend it to you all as a meeting that is not on a work night, in a library (not a commercial venue) and not too far south. If anybody would like to start something on one of the Saturday nights each month at Sunnybank Hills club, do feel free.

My goals remain the same as 2015's: get the players who can reach the clubs, playing at the meetings; get the players who can reach the tournaments, competing; and give the players who are too far away for that options. Last year's five year plan is still in planning. It has been a good year for Queensland go, nonetheless. I would like to thank Allan Hunt, Sun Woo Nam, Edwin Clarke, Yoko Usami, Erli Qiu, and Cindy Wong for all their hard work in making it happen, and you who read this, for playing.

## **Appendix B: 2016 Annual Report – Brisbane Go Club**

This last year, due to the sad closing of the GO Lounge, our home of a little over 2 years, we relocated to Club Sosay in Paddington. We also extended a hand to the Northside by the establishment of the mostly-monthly Critical Go event in partnership with Critical Mass Chermside Board Games group.

In September we held the Brisbane Spring Tournament, which was well-attended by kyu players, and one dan player (thankfully, we had a rogue Canberra player show up so it wasn't a win by default).

Further, we had an informal tournament kindly hosted by Edwin Clarke, including the traditional game of four-colour Go.

In the last few weeks, we have had a member, Ken Xiao, volunteer to try to get a UQ Go club off the ground, and Miriam Marz express an interest in starting a Griffith chapter in the second half of this year. Getting either or both of these clubs would be both good in themselves, as well as making things cheaper and logistically easier for organising tournaments. So anyone associated with or lives near those universities who likes playing Go, or has anything helpful to offer, contact the relevant person.

## **Appendix C: 2016-2017 Queensland Go Society Finances**

- The March 2016 Queensland Open had a turnover of \$750, and made a profit of \$31.89. This includes payment of \$200 to the Australian Go Association for 2016 bulk subscriptions of our players.
- The 2016 Brisbane Spring tournament in September had nil turnover and profit. The venue collected \$25/competitor for admission, lunch and a drink.
- The 2016 Gold Coast Classic in October had a turnover of \$719.77 and made a loss of \$189.77.
- We have received \$600 sponsorship pledged by the AGA for the 2015 Nationals we hosted.
- We donated \$300 to assist Amy Song with being the Australian representative to the World Go Championship and the World Pair Go Championship in 2016.
- Just before the 2017 Queensland Open the account balance was \$3185.40, compared with \$3868.45 just before the 2016 Queensland Open, and \$4211.30 just before the 2015 Queensland Open.
- The society's funds are kept in the same ANZ Bank account with a Visa debit card as last year.

Endorsed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Aguido Horatio Davis, General Secretary for 2017.