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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 30TH NOVEMBER 2021,
HELD AT THE COOPER ASSOCIATES COUNTY GROUND, TAUNTON & VIA A LIVE STREAM HOSTED
ON YOUTUBE AT 19:00.**

Present: Gordon Baird (Chair - GB); Gordon Hollins (CEO); Chris Bishop (Chair, Governance Working Group - CB); and 22 Members were present in person with a further 170 watching online. (190 views online in total).

Introduction: GB welcomed Members to the meeting and thanked everyone for their support of the Governance Review process to date. The Chair introduced CB and formally thanked him for his time and efforts on bringing the proposals to this point.

ITEM 1. ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF BALLOT

CB opened by explaining CIVICA's independent role in managing the voting process and thanked those who formed the Review Group and the wider Membership for engaging with the proposals.

CB announced the results of the ballot as follows:

- Votes in support of the proposal to amend the Club Rules: 1,576 (98.19%)
- Votes against the proposal to amend the Club Rules: 29 (1.81%)
- Abstained: 17
- Overall Turnout: 38.8%

The Membership had voted overwhelmingly in favour of amending the Club Rules. CB was delighted with the turnout which was much higher than some other Counties who had recently undertaken a similar process.

CB went on to discuss the next steps required to be undertaken:

- Submit the New Club Rules to the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA)
- Commence the transitional arrangements to the new Board
 - Approve the timeline and structure of the transitional Board
 - Complete the Directors Handbook
 - Convene the Nominations Committee
 - Prepare the process for nominations to Appointed and elected Board Director positions.
 - Confirm the date of the 2021 AGM which is when the new Board will come into effect.
- Update the ECB on progress made towards compliance with the County Governance Framework.
- Clarify the steps required to reach Gold Standard. There are three standards for Boards (within the ECB's County Partnership Agreement, Gold, Silver, and Bronze. SCCC are currently Bronze, part way through to Silver but there are one or two areas to work on to reach Gold).

In closing, CB thanked everyone for their support before handing back to the Chair.

GB reiterated his thanks to CB and the wider Membership for engaging in the process and voting in such strong numbers.

Meeting closed at 19:25