2020 Integral Yoga Association of WA (Inc.) Annual General Meeting Minutes held 2pm Sunday 1rd November 2020



Venue: Yoga Hall

Commencement: 2.00pm

1. Welcome: Sobha acknowledged the traditional owners of the land and

welcomed all in attendance to the 2020 IYA AGM and thanked

everyone for coming and recited the Universal Prayer.

2. Attendance: Shanker Madan (Chair), Anu Madan, Shakti (Christine) Farrell

(Vice President), Gail Marlow (Secretary), Brad Cooper (Treasurer), Denise Cooper, Śobha Day (Patron), Meg Meyer, Ian Meyer, Craig Wright (Board Member), Chinmaya Karov, Alan Camp, Angela Perkins, Marian Perkins, Anne Zevis, Bobi Ward, Donna Kirkland, Liz Pippet, Gillian Kalogirou, Heidi Woschnak, Irene Adamski, Jane Mitchell, Justin Bell, Maryann Howley, Maud Martin, Ruth Barrett-Lennard), Sadhana Saldinger, Steven Foot,

Irena Brnic.

FIYA: Patricia Roux, Irene Borland & Michael Seats.

Residents: Arne Esser and Zoran Pitchford.

A quorum of 15 Members in attendance was reached.

Proxies: Nil.

3. Apologies: Eleanor Venables, Gail Cornish and Julie Wilkinson.

4. **2019 AGM Minutes:**

Amendments to the 2019 Minutes, Page 2 Sobha requested the removal of last sentence under 2020 Skeleton Program, point iv "It was also advised that Swami Venkatesananda's Room is now used as a meeting room", this was deleted.

Secondly, Page 3 Adoption of the Annual Financial Statements 2018/19 and Budget for 2018/2019. Correction to be made to read ...Budget for 2019/2020.

Mover: Ruth Barret-Lennard, Seconder: Jane Mitchell.

5. Business arising from 2019 AGM:

There was no general business from the 2019 AGM.

6. Correspondence addressed to the 2020 AGM:

No correspondence had been received.

7. Chairperson's Annual Report (See Annexure A):

a. **Chair's Report** was tabled, read by Shanker and accepted.

In addition to Shanker's report he congratulated the office staff for all their efforts and commented that Denise and Brad had been like a tree, they have been strong.

b. Integral Ashram Program Report (See Annexure B):

Sobha tabled her report which was accepted and added:

There were ongoing Ceremonies, Havan, Dru Yoga Workshop, Teachers Appreciation Dinner and it was 44 years since the Ashram's inception.

Anne Zevas suggested we accept reports by Shanker and Sobha. All were in favour.

c. Treasurer's Report:

Brad tabled his report after which he expanded on a few areas.

He then advised that:

Early in 2020 he asked God if he would uninstall 2020 and then reinstall.

God replied: "Don't Worry Be Happy".

Marketing has been our focus and we welcomed Patricia on board who has Marketing experience and we thank Sherryn for her hard work and efforts during the Covid-19 period.

Our website is still evolving, it allows us to change items at little expense, and material is easily accessible. Covid-19 meant we had to stop Hatha Yoga classes; place new residents wishing to join us as residents on hold as well as retreats; workshops; venue hire and our programs.

Brad thanked our valued Volunteers advising them we would not survive without you, thank you.

Expenditure on a replacement for the Ashram Van is on hold as Covid-19 has driven prices up and there is a short supply.

Adoption of the Annual Financial Statements 2019/2020 and Budget for 2020/2021.

Brad proposed that Members accept the Audit Report by Paragon Consultants, Chartered Accountants the appointed auditors for the 2019/2020 financial year.

Anne Zevis queried the new arrangement for residents i.e. \$150 per week and how often is the 3 Karma Yoga Hours expected to be done. It was advised, 3 Karma Yoga hours was per week.

The adoption of the financial statements, budget and auditor motion was then moved by Sobha Day and seconded by Anne Zevis.

8. Election of Board Members:

In accordance with Clause 6 of the IYA Constitution, Board Members Craig Wright and Gail Marlow would continue for another year. Shanker Madan, Brad Cooper, Christine (Shakti) Farrell have renominated and Terry Doyle, Meg Meyer, Uwe Oswald have resigned.

Four nominations were received: Gillian Kalogirou, Heidi Woschnak, Irene Adamski and Maryann Howley, accepted the role and all Members present voted in favour.

Each new board member stood up and gave their reasons why they wanted to come on board.

Irene Adamski:

What Inspired Irene: She loved the place, had been a member for 4 years and came from Melbourne.

Gillian Kalogirou (Gill): Found the Ashram 5 years ago, wishing to give back.

Maryann Howley: Has had a fantastic experience over the last 5 years, loved the wide selection of classes, appreciates the Ashram and has extra time now as she isn't working as much.

Heidi Woschnack: Raised in Perth, lived overseas for 17 years, in early 2012 she drove down South Street and discovered the Ashram. 2 May 2020, she wrote an email when she was 50 to remind her what a spiritual/fertile life the 40's were, now looking to give back. Had a career in Marketing, branding.

Shanker advised he was contemplating retiring but Terry and Meg have resigned therefore he and Brad would provide continuity and shall renominate.

Anne Zevis proposed a vote of sincere and deep thanks to our Board and was glad to see new nominations.

With Thanks and Appreciation Anne Zevis moved, and Marian Perkins seconded.

This made nine Board Members.

9. **General Business:**

Nil.

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10. Meeting Closure:

3.07 pm, Chinmaya closed the meeting with a prayer.

3.10 pm, Shanker official closed the meeting with 3 Om's.

Everyone was invited to afternoon tea.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

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Shanker Madan

President

Dated this day of November 2021.