

Minutes – Annual General Meeting 2022

Annual General Meeting of CMT United Kingdom (CMTUK) was held on 6th May 2022 (online) chaired by Anton James, with Simon Bull, Chief Executive.

Attendees

22 people in attendance online.

CMTUK Office staff and Simon Bull, Chief Executive, in attendance along with SJ and Emma Estridge (Mushroom Marketing) our event host.

Formal signing of the 2021 AGM Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous (18th April 2020) meeting was made but withdrawn due to transcription issues.

Chair's Report

Anton: The charity's staff have performed well during this problem time with the Covid pandemic. They were able to remote work from home and keep the service going.

Simon thanked the staff team for their wonderful work and for all they did during the pandemic to keep everything working as smoothly as possible. There wasn't any noticeable disruption to services and members received support when they called in. Remembering back then, there was a lot lots of concern about COVID and CMT and what the relationship was. Reassurance was given from the information received, that was made available on the website. He thanked the volunteers who run our Regional Support Groups, which have been doing some excellent work on Zoom, which is fairly popular. Meetings will continue online and will also start to take place in person as the groups choose. He thanked the trustees for everything they've done with the governance of the organisation and in providing the support that they do. Most importantly he thanked the members who have done so much for the organisation in terms of fundraising and getting out there and creating awareness in your own communities.

Anton: Thank you, Simon. Yes, there are Regional Support Groups. It was mentioned that the last annual general meeting and I can confirm that they are ongoing. We have a couple of new ones started this year. I actually attend the one in Gloucestershire and as Simon says we've met apart from on Zoom every month, we've had a meeting at the arboretum as well so we could get together. If anyone is interested in starting or helping to organise and a Regional Support Group in your area, then please contact the office.

Research will be covered in the session that is coming up in the conference later. Expenditure and funds for the charity as a whole; Raising of donations has been fairly steady throughout the pandemic, which is very good. We're very grateful for that, we have managed to hold steady over the period. And that has enabled us to carry on running things from the office as normal, which I'm very grateful for.

Technical issues have made it difficult this morning, Anton was not due to speak but stepped in and was thanked.

Richard: The board works on strategy. The board is reviewing what CMTUK does and identifying the following: What CMTUK should start doing, continue doing, and stop doing. Your contributions to this are welcome. Anybody have any questions? You want to raise on the annual report?

Alan Ralph asked what was happening with the restricted funding for research. Simon outlined the plans for this funding including the call for projects which has just closed.

Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts

No dissent recorded

Retirements and Resignations of Directors

Debbie Delves and Alan MacDonald are resigning from the board and not re-standing, we thank them for all their work and support and wish them well for the future.

The following directors resigned in line with the articles: Thomas Henderson and Ruth Slater and are standing for re-election.

Resolution: Re-Appointment of Directors

Resolution to reappoint Thomas Henderson and Ruth Slater was agreed by everyone present and Proxy Votes.

Fixing of Subscription for 2022

The Trustees do not propose to increase the subscription for 2022-2023, so it will remain at £27.00 with arrangements remaining for monthly payments.

The Subscription cost will be reviewed later in the year for 2023-2024.

No dissent recorded.

Appointment of Independent Examiner

Proposal to remain with Oak Accounting the Independent Examiner.

No dissent recorded.

Alan Ralph pointed out that the erm auditor had been used incorrectly, the correct description is Independent Examiner. This is was accepted as an error.

Any other competent business

None received.

AGM Closed