

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Women's International Club, 10 April 1991, 3 p.m., Maurya Sheraton Hotel, New Delhi.

1991:AGM.1.a. Opening:

The meeting was called to order by the President, Frenny Billimoria who welcomed the members to the AGM, the final session of the current year.

1991:AGM.2.a. Minutes:

The Secretary, Sylvia Smyth presented the minutes of the 1990 AGM which had been circulated more than one month prior to the current AGM. Shakuntala Mahesh Chandra proposed and Prama Bhandari seconded a motion that the minutes be approved as read.

1991:AGM.3.a. 1st Vice President's Report:

In the absence of the 1st Vice President, Gabriella Balogh-Tarbai, the Secretary, Sylvia Smyth was asked to read the report. She thanked the Group Leaders, hostesses, Executive Committee and other members who helped with programmes throughout the year. She praised the club members in general for their support during the times when the schedule was disrupted due to circumstances beyond WIC's control.

1991:AGM.4.a. 2nd Vice President's Report:

The 2nd Vice President, Ira Misra read her report in which she thanked the President, Executive Committee members and all those who cooperated throughout the year in helping her with the monthly General Meetings.

1991:AGM.5.a. Secretary's Report:

The Secretary, Sylvia Smyth, thanked the members for giving her the opportunity to serve the club in this capacity and expressed appreciation for all the support received in carrying out her duties.

1991:AGM.6.a. Newsletter Chairperson's Report:

The Newsletter Chairperson, Vicky Hinchcliffe said she was grateful to those who submitted their notices on time and she reminded the members of the importance of collecting their Newsletter each month so as to save on postage.

1991:AGM.7.a. Membership Chairperson's Report:

The Membership Chairperson, Cathy Alexander gave an update on membership. She pointed out the complexity of approaching applications and selecting new members. She asked for more understanding in future as there is an attempt to be fair to all concerned.

1991:AGM.8.a. Hospitality Chairperson's Report:

The Hospitality Chairperson, Kanwarani Sohinder of Nabha reported on her system of sign up sheets for each and every group meeting. She said that those who commit themselves to attend a particular meeting should inform the hostess if they cannot come. She thanked those who opened their homes for meetings.

1991:AGM.9.a. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer, Supriya Gupta presented the corrected balance sheet and pointed out that this year's expenses were kept to an all-time low because of the generosity of those who gave services free of charge, namely, Mr. Billimoria for typist and accountant, Mr. Hinchcliffe for computer printing and Mr. Smyth for delivery services.

- b. Kavita Ratra moved and Zeena Choudhury seconded the motion accepting the statement of accounts as presented.

1991:AGM.10.a. Elections:

The President thanked the Nominations Committee chaired by Cande Rhode for selecting the new Committee, and asked her to present the new slate. Cande thanked her committee.

- b. Shakuntala Mahesh Chandra proposed and Amarjit Bhagwant Singh seconded that the new slate of Executive Committee officers be declared elected.

1991:AGM.11.a. Outgoing President's Speech:

Frenny Billimoria thanked everyone for helping to make her term as President a most enjoyable one despite the turbulence in the world around. She specially thanked her Executive Committee individually and highlighted each one's unique contribution. She congratulated the new Committee and wished her successor well.

1991:AGM.12.a. Installation of Officers:

The incoming and outgoing officers exchanged chairs. The outgoing officers presented their successor with a tie-and-dye folder with their office title embroidered on it. The President was presented with flowers and the medallion of office. Each outgoing officer was given a rose.

1991:AGM.13.a. Incoming President's Speech:

Gunilla Kettis, the new President thanked the outgoing President and her Committee for a successful year. She expressed hope that the year ahead would be good as her Committee was already busy making plans.

1991:AGM.14.a. Programme of songs:

Dolly Dadachanji sang "When the Saints Go Marching In" for the old and "Congratulations" for the new Committee. Following adjournment and during tea Dolly continued her most delightful afternoon of songs. Members expressed appreciation for her generosity in providing the programme.

1991:AGM.15.a.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Sylvia Smyth  
Secretary

Frenny Billimoria  
President