

**South London Theatre Centre Ltd Member's Club
Minutes of the EGM**

20:40; 3 February 2020
The Old Fire Station

Present: (Present: Hayley Barton-Stamp; Caroline Beckett; Justin Bikram; Helen Chadney; Owen Chidlaw; Graham Clements; Lily Ann Coleman; Adam Crook; Fiona Daffern (minutes); Charles Doyle; Bryon Fear; Brian Fretwell; Simon Gleisner (Chair); Kimberley Goldsmith; Helen Haslock; Barry Heselden; Mat Hill; Jeanette Hoile; Dave Hollander; Jeremy Hussain; Mark Ireson; Guy Jones; Jack King; Rebecca Law; Geoffrey Lill; Matthew Lyne; Gareth Milton; Hans Mudlamootoo; Jess Osorio; Marissa Papas; Lee Ridgeway; Anna Rubincam; Jason Salmon; Frankie Saunders; Mike Smart; Lisa Thomas; Christopher Vian-Smith; John Watson; Val Williams; Malcolm Woodman

Proxy: Chris Stooke

Apologies: Charlotte Benstead, Naomi Liddle, Jenn Nettles, Sarah Farage, John Irvine, Jenny Caro.

Purpose	
1	The Chair welcomed members to this Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) for the purpose of discussing and voting on proposed changes to the Member's Club bye-laws which had not been reviewed since 2003.
Amendment 1: The Objects	
2.	Rule 4 currently states: "The objects of the Club shall be:- (a) To make grants to and support generally the charitable organisation known as the South London Theatre Centre Limited ("SLTC"). (b) To provide and maintain suitable premises at which the members and their guests can meet socially and obtain refreshments including intoxicating liquor <i>and tobacco</i> ." PROPOSED: to delete "and tobacco" Vote by show of hands: AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.
Amendment 2: Intoxicating Liquors	
3	Rule 24 currently states: "The General Committee shall arrange the supply of intoxicating liquor by the Club to members on the Club premises, and shall secure the due observance of the provisions of licensing laws which are in force at

	<p>that time, and all other acts relating thereto, and of any conditions attached to any licence held by or on behalf of the Club (“the licence”) for the supply of intoxicating liquor, or to any registration certificate granted in respect of the Club’s premises.”</p> <p>PROPOSED: to add (“the licence”)</p> <p>Vote by show of hands: AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
<p>Amendment 3: General Meeting</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>Rule 29(b) currently states:</p> <p>“The quorum at any <i>meeting</i> of the Club shall be 30 or one fifth of the total membership, whichever is the fewer, of the members present in person or by proxy”</p> <p>PROPOSED: to correct the spelling of ‘meeting’</p> <p>Vote by show of hands: AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
<p>Amendment 4: Visitors</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Rule 32 currently states:</p> <p>“A member may introduce and entertain <i>no more than two</i> guests at the Club at any one time, and these names shall be kept at the Club premises in a Visitors Book which both the member and his/her guest will sign. Guests may not remain on the premises after the departure of their host who shall be completely responsible for their good conduct.”</p> <p>PROPOSED: to replace ‘no more than two’ with ‘a reasonable number of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “A member may introduce and entertain a reasonable number of guests at the Club at any one time, and these names shall be kept at the Club premises in a Visitors Book which both the member and his/her guest will sign. Guests may not remain on the premises after the departure of their host who shall be completely responsible for their good conduct.” <p>Q&A</p> <p>Q. Who decides what is ‘reasonable?’</p> <p>A. The Members Club General Committee will have oversight, e.g. for requests for parties. There is a difference between a reasonable number and the guests acting unreasonably. If the latter, as per the terms of our licence, bar volunteers can ask people to leave.</p> <p>Generally members were responsible for the behavior of their guests.</p> <p>For after show parties, the nominated person on bar was the person</p>

	<p>responsible for oversight of behaviour of members and guests.</p> <p>Vote by show of hands. AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
<p>Amendment 5: Visitors</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>Rule 34 currently states:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “To further the objects of the Club, members of the Press and other Publicity media invited to attend the SLTC to carry out their professional duties may use the facilities of the Club and be supplied with intoxicating liquor, as may guests attending previously notified function, subject to the approval of the Committee.” <p>PROPOSED: to specify SLT performances as notified functions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “To further the objects of the Club, members of the Press and other Publicity media invited to attend the SLTC to carry out their professional duties may use the facilities of the Club and be supplied with intoxicating liquor, as may guests attending a previously notified function including a performance by the SLT, subject to the approval of the Committee.” <p>Vote by show of hands. AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
<p>Amendment 6: Visitors</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>PROPOSED a new Rule 36:</p> <p>“To further the Objects of the Club and subject always to the conditions of the licence and any provisions of licensing laws which are in force, the General Committee may hire the Club premises for use by third parties.”</p> <p>And the numbering of the subsequent Rules to be amended accordingly.</p> <p>(For clarity, the General Committee is the formal name of the committee also known as the Bar Committee / BarCom, and is not a reference to the SLT General Council).</p> <p>Q. Brian F suggested this should read hire out of the Club premises.</p> <p>A. Agreed</p> <p>Q. Mat H raised a question about the use of paid bar staff vs volunteer bar staff?</p> <p>A. The Chair expressed a preference for the use of volunteer staff rather than moving to paid staff.</p> <p>Q Fiona D sought clarification that this amendment was about the</p>

	<p>hiring out of the premises, not necessarily use of the bar.</p> <p>A Confirmed and the Chair reiterated that this would remain a Member's Bar, as per the current bye-laws and licence.</p> <p>Vote by show of hands. AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
<p>Amendment 7: Exclusion of Liability</p>	
	<p>Rule 42 (43 under new numbering) currently states: "Neither the Club, nor any of its officers shall be liable to any member or guest of a member for any loss or damage to any property occurring from whatever cause in or about the Club premises, nor for any injury sustained by any member or guest whilst on or entering or leaving the Club premises; and a notice to this effect shall at all times be displayed in a prominent position on the Club premises."</p> <p>PROPOSED: to delete "of a member".</p> <p>Vote by show of hands. AGREED. Unanimously (41). No abstentions.</p>
	<p>No further questions or issues.</p> <p>END</p>