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**MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,
HELD AT ADNAMS PLC, SOLE BAY BREWERY, SOUTHWOLD, IP18 6JW ON
THURSDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY 2024 AT 18:00.**

The Twentieth Annual General Meeting of the Southern UK Section of the Institute of Brewing and Distilling was held on Thursday, 1st February 2024 at 18.00 at Adnams PLC, Sole Bay Brewery, Southwold, Suffolk, IP18 6JW.

The Chairman, Mr Joseph Fifield called the meeting to order, there being quorum of section member present.

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed those members and guests present to the Twentieth Annual General Meeting of the Southern UK Section of the Institute of Brewing and Distilling. He commented that there had been a full programme of events during the course of the year, culminating with the Annual Banquet at the Connaught Rooms on the 17th of November, which was preceded by a sustainability seminar held at Fullers. He thanked Fergus Fitzgerald and the Directors of Adnams for hosting the AGM and their generous offer of a brewery tour and a buffet after the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Sam Robinson, Ed Kentish Barnes and Stewart Tricker

3. Minutes

There being no comments or objections from the floor, the minutes of the Nineteenth Annual General Meeting were accepted.

4. Accounts

The Treasurer explained that the current account stood at £13,588.66 at the beginning of the year and £15,124.35 at the end of the year (including debtors and creditors).

The IOB London Trust Fund stands at £20,256, which is still available for grants to fund students, apprentices and for travel awards. Applications for funding should be made through the Section Secretary.

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved that the accounts be adopted and will be signed by the Chairman and Treasurer.

5. Chair

The Chairman explained that the position of Chair is usually held for two years and, having completed the first year of his tenure, he would continue in the Chair for a further year.

6. Vice-chair

The Chairman thanked Andrew Paterson for his service to the Section over the last four years as both Vice-chairman and Chairman. There being no nominations from the floor, the Committee propose that Mat Henney be elected as Vice -chair. This was proposed and seconded and unanimously agreed.

7. Honorary Secretary

It was proposed and seconded and unanimously agreed that Steve Wilkinson be elected Honorary Secretary for the ensuing year.

8. Honorary Treasurer

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that Alan Pateman be elected Honorary Treasurer for the ensuing year.

9. Committee

There have been no departures from the Committee since the last AGM and Theo Leadbetter of Camden Twon Brewery was co-opted to the Committee over the course of the year. The Chairman announced that remaining members of the Committee: Matt Anderson, Pete Channon, Russell Falconer, Derek Orford, Andrew Paterson, Guy Stewart, Stewart Tricker and Moyra Williams and Hayley Young are all prepared to serve for a further year and they are, therefore, re-elected. The Chairman announced that there had been no nomination to the Committee from the floor but the Committee recommend that Abhishek Banik (Copper Rivet Distillery) and Grzegorz Rachon (Campden BRI) join the Committee. They are willing to serve and were welcomed and duly elected to the Committee.

10. Update on Proposed Section Programme

The Chair updated the section members on section meetings planned for the year ahead.

11. Any other business

There being no other business the chair closed the meeting.