

# Meeting Minutes – AGM & Member Appreciation Night

February 23, 2023

Connon Nurseries

## Agenda:

- Welcome Address & Call to order
  - Welcome guests to our Member Appreciation Night and Annual General Meeting
  - Explain what an Annual General Meeting is
  - Explain that all members have the right to vote for new board members, and motion for approvals
  - Before we dig in to the formal part of the evening, I'd like to quickly thank our host, Scott Ferris of Connon Nurseries and invite him to share a few words about our location tonight
- Approval of AGM Agenda
- Approval of last year's AGM minutes
- President Report of 2022
  - A look back at the 10 events that were hosted last year
  - Ribbon cuttings and celebrating new businesses in King
  - Increased members from under 140 to over 170
  - New sponsors
  - Thank you to the Board
  - Presidents Message – anything else Angelo would like to say
- Financials
- What's Ahead for 2023
  - Strategic Plan
  - Calendar of Events
  - Commitment to better supporting our members, by strengthening our partnerships with key Partners – King Township, Seneca, York Small Business Enterprise, Chambers Plan
  - Formalizing and having dedicated Committees for Events, Membership, Lobbying & Advocacy, Women in Business, encouraging more members to get involved not just as a Board member, but on committees
  - TREC Workshop
- Presentation of Plaques for Board Members stepping down
- Nominations for Board / Any Board members stepping down / Voting / swearing in, etc.
- Adjournment

# Proceedings:

## 1. Approval of Previous Year's Minutes:

- David McGahey and Lisa lafrate motioned to approve the minutes from the last year's meeting.
- Jay Ryder and Zach seconded the motion.
- The minutes were approved unanimously.

## 2. Financial Report:

- Alison presented the financial report on behalf of Theresa, who was absent.
- Jay Ryder and Zach approved the financials.

## 3. Leadership Changes:

- Angelo announced his resignation from the presidency due to conflicts arising from the construction project.
- It was clarified that the election of the new executive would take place during the next board meeting.

## 4. Acknowledgment of Gifts and Absent Members:

- Gifts were presented to Jay, Zach, and Angelo in appreciation of their contributions.
- Manuela, who was absent, was honored for her dedication and efforts.

## 5. Volunteering for Roles:

- Jay from Kinghaven volunteered for a role.
- Ryan and Darryn also expressed their willingness to take up responsibilities.
- All four spots on the board were filled by acclamation Ryan, Darryn, Gus and Jay elected into the Board of Directors

## Next Steps:

- The election of the new executive will be held during the upcoming board meeting.
- Further actions will be communicated via email.

## Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.