## Singapore Fintech Association (SFA)

# Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM) Meeting 

$25^{\text {th }}$ Mar 2020, Wed, 6pm (Singapore time)

Present at SFA, 8o Robinson Road,

President Hock Lai, Secretary Ngee Hua \& Staff of SFA
Witnesses: RSM Adrian Tan \& Clarrie Tay
Vote counting: PWC Cheung Wai Ting

## Virtual via Zoom with electronic voting function

Eligible voters who have registered to vote prior to the AGM (See appended attending voters list including some executive committee members as indicated)
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1.With quorum achieved, Secretary outlined the agenda as follows and explaining the voting mechanism:

- Voting to proceed AGM via virtual means or otherwise to postpone the AGM up to six (6) months or indefinitely till the Covid19 situation is stabilised
- Voting to accept the SFA's audited accounts for the year ended 31st Dec 2019
- Recap Year 2019
- Year in Focus 2020
- Voting to approve Constitution amendments

2. Secretary informed that before the decision was made to arrange for a virtual AGM, legal advice was sought which confirmed that the current Constitution does not expressly preclude the General Meeting be held virtually. Therefore, the General Meeting can take place in the form of a webinar, video zoom call with e-voting concurrently and that clause 8.4 of the SFA's Constitution provides that voting can be conducted electronically. To ensure the attending voters are aligned and cooperate with the proposed meeting and voting process, Secretary ask attending voters to vote. Majority of the attending voters voted to support to proceed AGM via virtual means with electronic voting.
3. Treasurer presented the audited accounts for the past year ended 31 Dec 2019 including to explain the reserve policy. Majority of the attending voters voted to approve the said audited accounts.
4. President share a presentation of the development and initiative for the past year ended $31^{\text {st }}$ Dec 2019
5. Secretary outlined the fourteen (14) amendments to the Constitution as appended with rationale and asked attending members to vote. All proposed amendments are passed and approved.
6. Secretary announce the meeting has come to a close at 6.45 pm and thank everyone for their participation.

| Rule No. | Existing Rule(s) | Renumbered <br> Rule No. (if <br> any) | Proposed Rule(s) |  <br> Reasons for <br> Amendments |
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| 4.2 | Ordinary members are financial technology (FinTech) companies that have been registered in Singapore and have a purpose of developing, promoting or selling financial technology. | 4.2 | Ordinary Members are financial technology (FinTech) companies that have been registered in Singapore and have a purpose of developing, promoting or selling financial technology. | Capitalise the 1st alphabet of the word 'Members' to denote Ordinary Member, Associate Member, and Individual Member category |
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| 4.3 | Associate members are companies, societies, cooperative societies or bodies corporate that are part of the FinTech ecosystem or that have a strong interest in financial technology, other than those entitled to apply for Ordinary membership of the Association. | 4.3 | Associate Members are companies, societies, cooperative societies or bodies corporate that are part of the FinTech ecosystem or that have a strong interest in financial technology, other than those entitled to apply for ordinary membership of the Association. | respectively |
| 4.4 | Individual members must be resident in Singapore and must show a strong interest in financial technology and wish to be a part of the FinTech ecosystem in Singapore. | 4.4 | Individual Members must be resident in Singapore and must show a strong interest in financial technology and wish to be a part of the FinTech ecosystem in Singapore. |  |
| 4.5 | Only representatives of member companies who are above 21 years of age shall have the right to vote and to hold office in the Association. Individual Members are entitled to attend Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings of | 4.5 | Only Ordinary Members and Associate Members who have been members for at least one (1) continuous year at the date of the General Meeting of the Association shall have the right to vote. Only representatives of member companies who are above 21 | Members who have a minimum of one (1) year of membership have better understanding of the Association to make more informed decisions through exercising their voting rights |


|  | the Association, but <br> shall not have any <br> voting rights <br> (including any rights <br> to vote at such <br> Meetings) and shall <br> not be eligible to <br> stand for elections or <br> hold office in the <br> Association. For the <br> purposes of this <br> Constitution, any <br> references to "voting <br> members" shall refer <br> only to Ordinary <br> Members and <br> Associate Members | years of age shall <br> have the right to <br> vote and to hold <br> office in the <br> Association. <br> Individual Members <br> are entitled to <br> attend Annual <br> General Meetings <br> and Extraordinary <br> General Meetings of <br> the Association, but <br> shall not have any <br> voting rights <br> (including any rights <br> to vote at such <br> Meetings) and shall <br> not be eligible to <br> stand for elections or <br> hold office in the <br> Association. For the <br> purposes of this <br> Constitution, any <br> references to "voting <br> members" shall refer <br> only to Ordinary <br> Members and <br> Associate Members <br> who have or would <br> have been members <br> of the Association <br> for at least one (1) <br> continuous year at <br> the date of the <br> relevant General <br> Meeting |  |
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| 5.2 | A copy of the <br> Constitution shall be <br> made available to <br> every approved <br> member. |  |  |


| 7.1 | The supreme <br> authority of the <br> Association is vested <br> in a General Meeting <br> of the voting <br> members | 7.1 | The supreme <br> authority of the <br> Association is vested <br> in a General Meeting <br> of the voting <br> members. Each <br> voting member shall <br> have one (1) vote <br> and save as <br> otherwise specified <br> in this Constitution <br> or required by law, <br> all decisions at the <br> General Meeting <br> shall be passed <br> when a simple <br> majority of voting <br> members present at <br> a General Meeting <br> has voted in favour <br> of the matter | To make clear <br> each voting <br> member has only <br> one (1) vote for <br> both Ordinary <br> Member and <br> Associate <br> Member. |
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| 7.2 | An Annual General <br> Meeting shall be <br> held within $\mathbf{3}$ months <br> from the close of its <br> financial year | 7.2 | An Annual General <br> Meeting shall be <br> held within three (3) <br> months from the <br> close of its financial <br> year. | To spell out the <br> numerical figure <br> of the number 3 |


| 8.1 | The administration of the Association shall be entrusted to a Committee consisting of the following to be elected at each Annual General Meeting: <br> A President <br> A Vice President <br> A Secretary <br> A Treasurer Seven Ordinary Committee Members Unless with the prior approval in writing of the Registrar or an Assistant Registrar of Societies, a majority of the Committee Members shall be Singapore citizens or permanent residents. In addition, the President, Secretary, and Treasurer must be Singapore citizens or permanent residents. Foreign Diplomats shall not serve as Committee Members. | 8.1 | The administration of the Association shall be entrusted to a Committee consisting of the following: <br> A President <br> A Vice President <br> A Secretary <br> A Treasurer <br> Seven (7) Ordinary <br> Committee Members <br> (which shall include <br> an Immediate Past <br> President) <br> Unless with the prior approval in writing of the Registrar or an Assistant Registrar of Societies, a majority of the Committee Members shall be Singapore citizens or permanent residents. In addition, the President, Secretary, and Treasurer must be Singapore citizens or permanent residents. Foreign Diplomats shall not serve as Committee Members. The Committee shall be elected at the General Meeting in accordance with this paragraph 8. | Election is not held at each Annual General Meeting but rather every alternate year. Introduction of Immediate Past President to assist new Committee to assume new responsibility |
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| 8.2 | Only one <br> representative of any <br> member company <br> may be elected to <br> the Committee. At <br> least half of the <br> Committee members <br> must be <br> representatives of <br> ordinary members. <br> No more than two <br> Committee members <br> may be from a bank <br> or insurance <br> company or finance <br> company or trust <br> company registered <br> with the Monetary <br> Authority of <br> Singapore. | Only one <br> representative of any <br> member company <br> may be elected to <br> the Committee. At <br> least half of the <br> Committee members <br> must be <br> representatives of <br> Ordinary Members. | Capitalise the 1st <br> alphabet of the <br> word 'Ordinary <br> Members' to <br> denote Ordinary <br> Member category <br> No more than two <br> (2) Committee <br> members may be <br> from a bank or <br> insurance company <br> or finance company <br> or trust company <br> registered with the <br> Monetary Authority <br> of Singapore. |
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| 8.3 | Names for the above <br> office bearers shall <br> be proposed and <br> seconded at the <br> Annual General <br> Meeting and election <br> will follow on a <br> simple majority vote <br> of the members. The <br> Term of the office of <br> each Committee <br> Members is two <br> years. All office <br> bearers except the <br> Treasurer may be re- <br> elected to the same <br> or related post for a <br> maximum of two <br> consecutive terms. A <br> new Treasurer must <br> be elected after each <br> term. | 8.3 |  |


|  |  |  | occupy the position of Immediate Past President for one (1) term. The term of office of each Committee Member (other than the Immediate Past President) is two (2) years. All persons holding any position on the Committee, except the Treasurer, may be re-elected to, or hold, any position on the Committee for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms, except that the one (1) term period of an Immediate Past President shall not be counted towards the two (2) term period mentioned in this paragraph 8.3. <br> A new Treasurer must be elected after each term. |  |
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| 8.4 | Election will be either by show of hands or, subject to the agreement of the majority of the voting members present, by a secret ballot. Voting during the AGM for both items put up for voting as well election of new Committee Members can be conducted electronically. In the event of a tie, a re- | 8.4 | Election will be by secret ballot, electronic voting or show of hands, at the option of the Committee members. In the event of a tie, a revote shall be taken and if it still results in a tie, a lot shall be drawn to determine who shall be the successful candidate unless the contesting candidate(s) withdrew in favour | Re-organise the different modes of voting in a sentence structure for easy reference |

$\left.\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline & \begin{array}{l}\text { vote shall be taken } \\ \text { and if it still results in } \\ \text { a tie, a lot shall be } \\ \text { drawn to determine } \\ \text { who shall be the } \\ \text { successful candidate } \\ \text { unless the contesting } \\ \text { candidate(s) } \\ \text { withdrew in favour } \\ \text { of one of } \\ \text { themselves. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { of one of } \\ \text { themselves. }\end{array} & \\ \hline 8.8 & \begin{array}{l}\text { The Committee has } \\ \text { power to authorise } \\ \text { the expenditure of a } \\ \text { sum not exceeding } \\ \text { an amount set at the } \\ \text { Annual General } \\ \text { Meeting from the } \\ \text { Association's funds } \\ \text { for the Association's } \\ \text { purposes. }\end{array} & 8.8 & \begin{array}{l}\text { Each Committee } \\ \text { shall, at the Annual } \\ \text { General Meeting } \\ \text { when an election of } \\ \text { the Committee is } \\ \text { held ("Election } \\ \text { AGM"), declare and } \\ \text { designate an } \\ \text { amount from the } \\ \text { immediately } \\ \text { preceding financial } \\ \text { year, as a Reserve. } \\ \text { The use of any part } \\ \text { of the Reserve by } \\ \text { Committees after } \\ \text { the Election AGM } \\ \text { shall require the } \\ \text { consent of a simple } \\ \text { majority of voting } \\ \text { members present at } \\ \text { a General Meeting. }\end{array}\end{array} \begin{array}{l}\text { Clause 8.8 is } \\ \text { is not a because it } \\ \text { requirement by } \\ \text { Registrar of } \\ \text { Society to set an } \\ \text { amount at the }\end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{l}\text { Annual General } \\ \text { Meeting for the } \\ \text { Association's } \\ \text { purposes. } \\ \text { Introduction of } \\ \text { Reserve Policy to } \\ \text { ensure cash is } \\ \text { adequate to fulfil } \\ \text { continuing } \\ \text { obligations and } \\ \text { that the use of } \\ \text { past reserve } \\ \text { outside the term } \\ \text { of exco must be } \\ \text { approved by }\end{array}\right\}$

|  |  |  |  | the Existing <br> Constitution |
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| 10.1 | Two (2) voting <br> members, not being <br> members of the <br> Committee, shall be <br> elected as Honorary <br> Auditors at each <br> Annual General <br> Meeting and will <br> hold office for a term <br> of one year only and <br> shall not be re <br> elected for a <br> consecutive term. <br> The accounts of the <br> Association shall be <br> audited by a firm of <br> Public Accountants <br> and Chartered <br> Accountants if the <br> gross income or <br> expenditure of the <br> Association exceeds <br> $\$ 500$, oo0 in that <br> financial year, in <br> accordance with <br> Section 4 of the <br> Societies <br> Regulations. | Two (2) voting <br> members, not being <br> members of the <br> Committee, shall be <br> elected as Honorary <br> Auditors at each <br> Annual General <br> Meeting and will <br> hold office for a term <br> of one (1) year only <br> and shall not be re <br> elected for a <br> consecutive term. <br> The accounts of the <br> Association shall be <br> audited by a firm of <br> Public Accountants <br> and Chartered <br> Accountants if the <br> number 1 and add <br> Singapore dollar <br> sign for the <br> currency stated |  |  |

