

MINUTES OF THE MANCHESTER MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE HELD AT THE OFFICES OF ROYAL & SUNALLIANCE ON 6TH JUNE 2005

Present

Ian Harrison (Chairman), Matt Drinkwater (Treasurer), Joe O'Hanlon (Secretary), Mike McFarlane, Neil Atkinson, Amanda Reid, Peter McClelland, Tony Holden, Peter Jackson, George Dawson, Karen Bodle, Siobhan McDermott, Paul Hackett.

1. Apologies

No Apologies

2. Committee

IH opened the meeting by expressing his delight at the interest shown from members of the Association to become members of the Committee. IH reiterated what he had said at AGM in March in that the best solution was to open the Committee up to all those who had shown an interest and to arrange to get together to go over the current Constitution and make a decision on how the Committee should be made up.

The current Constitution states that the Committee shall be made up of six members plus an extra two, these being a Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Within the six, one must be a treasurer.

PMcC asked the views of the Committee on how many members they think should be allowed to sit on the Committee. One suggestion was to have a maximum and a minimum number of Committee members which would mean amending the Constitution. It was agreed to continue with the twelve Committee members plus Secretary. For this to happen the Constitution would need to be amended and it was agreed that PJ and GD would prepare some draft amendments before the next Committee meeting in early September.

IH suggested having the Committee members splintered off into roles of their own, i.e. Sports & Social, Dinner, Education. This would mean that not all members would need to attend Committee meetings. MMcF commented that extra help in organising social events would be helpful.

3. Sub Committee

The following roles were agreed:

Sports & Social Sub Committee

Mike McFarlane, Siobhan McDermott, Tony Holden, Amanda Reid, Karen Bodle.

Education Committee Sub Committee

Peter Jackson, George Dawson, Peter McClelland, Paul Hackett.

Dinner Committee

Ian Harrison, Neil Atkinson

4. Chairman / Vice-Chairman

IH asked the members of the Committee if anyone would be interested in putting themselves forward for the role of Chairman. PMcC suggested that the Chairman should be an Underwriting member, all Committee members agreed with this. It was agreed that a Vice-Chairman would need to be appointed at the AGM in 2006 with the Vice-Chairman becoming Chairman. IH confirmed he would stand as Chairman for 2006/2007 with the then Vice-Chairman taking his role in 2007/2008.

5. 2005 Dinner

Feedback

IH confirmed that the feedback from the top table was very good indeed. The food was excellent; however, the room was very warm and a bit too light.

MMcF commented that the microphone used by IH was not very clear. It was agreed that the sound could be better. It was also commented that the kitchen staff were quite loud during the speeches. Dinner Sub Committee members shall speak with the hotel about their concerns.

Next Committee Meeting

Early September, date to be agreed.