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MINUTES OF THE 17th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 17th Annual General Meeting of the Joint Branch of RINA & IMarEST (Singapore) [hereafter referred to as the "AGM"] was held at 1830 hrs on Wednesday, **6th December 2017** in the Raffles Room, The Tanglin Club, 5 Stevens Road, Singapore 257814.

- ✓ Total **28** Members were present at the AGM and quorum was met.
- ✓ The meeting was called to order at 1830 hrs.

The Minutes of the 16th AGM

- ✓ The minutes of the 16th AGM were adopted by members present.
- ✓ *Proposed by: A/P Kenneth Low and Seconded by: Mr Arvind Sharma*

The JB Chairman's Report

The Chairman delivered his annual report to members. A copy is provided in attachment

- ✓ The report was adopted.
 - *Proposed: Mr Raymond Chia and Seconded: Mr David Gan*
- ✓ There was no objection from members. Some queries and comments raised are reported under AOB.

The Hon. Treasurer's Report

The financial report consisted of the technical and social accounts were audited by two Honorary Auditors in advance of the AGM and was jointly presented by the Chairman and the Honorary Treasurer.

- ✓ The accounts and report were adopted by all members present.
- ✓ *Proposed: Mr Sridev Mookerjea and Seconded: A/P Arun Kr Dev*



Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

First Proposed Amendment -

Clause 2 - PLACE OF BUSINESS

"Its place of business shall be at "C/O ASMI, 30 Tuas Avenue 10, #07-01 Freight Links ELogistics Technopark, Singapore 639150" or such other address as may subsequently be decided upon by the Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies. The Society shall carry out its activities only in places and premises which have the prior written approval from the relevant authorities, where necessary."

To be replaced with

"Its place of business shall be at **"C/O ASMI, 9 Jurong Town Hall Road, #04-03, Trade Association Hub, Singapore 609431"** or such other address as may subsequently be decided upon by the Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies. The Society shall carry out its activities only in places and premises which have the prior written approval from the relevant authorities, where necessary."

Second Proposed Amendment -

Clause 16 - DISPUTES

16.1 In the event of any dispute arising amongst members, they shall attempt to resolve the matter at an Extraordinary General Meeting in accordance with this Constitution. Should the members fail to resolve the matter, they may bring the matter to a court of law for settlement.

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Proposed amendments to the Constitution were adopted with the consent of two-thirds of the voting members present at the AGM with 20/28 voted in favour. It was proposed that the consent of the parent bodies and the prior sanction of the Registrar of Societies be obtained for the amendments to be implemented as above.

✓ *Proposed:* A/P Arun Kr Dev and *Seconded:* Mr Kenneth Kee



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MATTERS ARISING

Election of Office Bearers (Clause 7.7b and Clause 8.2)

After voting by the members for the positions falling vacant, the following members were confirmed/elected for the new committee for 2017/2018 as follows*:

Committee Members 2017/2018		
S/N	Name	Position
1.	<i>Mr Arvind Sharma</i>	<i>Chairman</i>
2.	<i>Mr Chris Kirton</i>	<i>Vice Chairman</i>
3.	<i>A/P Kenneth Low</i>	<i>Honorary Secretary</i>
4.	<i>Mr Ivan Stoytechev</i>	<i>Assistant Hon Secretary</i>
5.	<i>Mr Dorab Daruvala</i>	<i>Honorary Treasurer</i>
6.	<i>Mr Raymond, Chia Yong Hwa</i>	<i>Assistant Hon Treasurer</i>
7.	Mr Ng Chun Wee	Committee Member
8.	<i>Dr Muhammad Abdul Hannan</i>	<i>Committee Member</i>
9.	<i>Ms Neda Jansepar</i>	<i>Committee Member</i>
10.	<i>Mr William Thomas Watts</i>	<i>Committee Member</i>
11.	<i>Mr Chan Fann Howe</i>	<i>Co-opted Member</i>
12.	<i>Mr Livio Deltin</i>	<i>Co-opted Member</i>
13.	<i>A/P Arun Kr Dev</i>	<i>Hon Auditor</i>
14.	<i>Mr Kenneth Kee</i>	<i>Hon Auditor</i>
15.	<i>A/P Ivan Tam</i>	<i>Hon Advisor</i>

* Members in *Italic* were newly elected in the 17th AGM.

* All positions for election had only one nomination and were voted in unanimously.



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A.O.B.

The following motion was filed for new committee's consideration.

A/P Arun Kr Dev -

1. The year 2018 will be 60 years of IMarE (now IMarEST) which started in Singapore in 1958. The JB did a huge event in 2008 (Golden Jubilee). There were 400 guests at the event. One Minister also attended. The incoming JB Council may take a plan/initiative to observe the Platinum Jubilee on this 60 years.
2. There are many outstanding Naval Architects and Marine Engineers in Singapore, who are member of the JB and many of them are now retired. Their contributions are immense. It is now time that JB introduce "life time achievement award" to deserving Naval Architects and Marine Engineers of JB annually at the Annual Conversazione and Dinner. It will be good that in 2018 (Platinum Jubilee Year), at least 10 Naval Architects and 10 Marine engineers are given such awards by the JB Council.
3. JB also should take an initiative to organize a Conference in 2019 on a new theme like Specialized Ships where new initiatives like Sustainability, LNG, Autonomous ships, Digital application, Big Data, etc. can be included.
4. It is noted that all communication from the JB do not originate from the Council Hon. Secretary, which should be the normal way for any professional body. It has been practiced for many years in the Singapore JB. For some reasons, it is not happening now. The incoming Council should take note of this anomaly.

Chairman thanked A/P Arun Kr Dev for the above motion filed and recommended for the in-coming committee to deliberate and take necessary actions that are in accordance to the Constitutions of the JB.



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The following comments and questions were raised by the members and responded by the Chairman during the AGM.

- **Comment – A/P Arun Kr Dev** complimented Mr Ng Chun Wee, Technical Chairman for the organisation of technical talks in 2017.
- **Q – A/P Arun Kr Dev and Mr David Kinrade** queried if the costs associated with the Professional Reviews are to be claimed back from IMarEST and whether it should be claimed directly from IMarEST Asia Pac.
- **A – Chairman** explained that the costs incurred are only for the reimbursement of transportation or out-of-pocket expenses but agreed that the committee would explore ways to claim back the costs from IMarEST. It is noted that members who assisted in the Professional Reviews have contributed their own time and preferred to claim directly from JB as claiming from IMarEST Asia Pac can be a lengthy process.
- **Q – Mr David Kinrade** queried on the cost of holding AGM at the Tanglin Club as compared to the former venues.
- **A – Chairman** explained that although the cost of holding AGM and other networking events at the Tanglin Club is about double as compared to former venues but members have expressed their preference to hold such events at the Tanglin Club.
- **Q – Mr Kenneth Kee** asked if there is any outstanding collections from the Annual Dinner.
- **A – Hon. Treasurer** replied that collection of outstanding is completed and accounted in the Financial Report.
- **Q – Mr Ling Kooi Hui** suggested that JB can make use of the technical and social activities platforms to promote closer industry networking and development across JB's members.
- **A - Chairman** welcomed the suggestion and highlighted that the technical and social events organised in 2017 have also this objective in mind and encouraged greater participation of members at such events.
- **Comment – Mr David Kinrade** commented that JB can work closer with IMarEST's Mr David Kelly on student activities. Dr Zhou Yili (Course Chair at SP) shared that all his students are student members of IMarEST. The annual



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fee is paid by SP for the student membership. He looked forward to JB organising more student activities involving the Polytechnics, Newcastle University, SIT, NTU and NUS in order to bring the talents closer to the industry.

- **Comment – A/P Arun Kr Dev** complimented the out-going Chairman A/P Ivan Tam for his dedication, hard-work and new initiatives over the past two years. He looked forward to A/P Ivan Tam's continued support to the new committee as Honorary Advisor.

Vote of Thanks

The out-going Chairman thanked the previous committee members for their cooperation and support and wished the in-coming Chairman and members elected to the committee for 2017/18 a successful year ahead.

The in-coming Chairman delivered his acceptance speech and expressed great desire to work closely with the new committee to continue the good work and thanked the members for their support and suggestions. The meeting ended at 2100 hrs and followed by a buffet dinner.

Mr Arvind Sharma
Chairman
The Joint Branch of RINA & IMarEST
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A/P Kenneth Low
Honorary Secretary
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