MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WELLINGTON REGIONAL ORCHESTRA FOUNDATION INC.

Annual General Meeting of the Society held at 5.45m on Monday 29 April 2024

At Te Auaha, 65 Dixon Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011

Present: Hannah Neman, Graham Atkinson, Ken Spagnolo, Glenda West, Karen Batten, Elyse Dalabakis, Jane Dalley, Viginia Breen.

Apologies: Penelope Borland, Rangimakehu Hall, Rutger Keijser, Jane Young, Pauline Swann Douglas and Pam Robertson.

In Attendance: Board Members Ray Ahipene-Mercer (Chair), Steve Taylor, Paul Altomari Elly Ward, Emma Richards, Grant Pryde, Beckie Lockhart (GM) Margaret Myers

Ray Ahipene-Mercer (Chair), opened the meeting, welcomed all with thanks for attending.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 26th of April 2023 were accepted.

Moved: Emma Richards **Seconded:** Paul Altomari

Carried.

2023 Annual Report and Audited Accounts: Elly Ward Chair Finance & Audit Committee (Documents Attached)

The report shows we have a strong balance sheet. Robust systems are in place reflecting strong management of all business transactions. Budget for 2024 is very conservative as we are mindful of the changes taking place regarding funding throughout the sector, however it is crucial we continue to grow our community and outreach activities which will enable us to meet the requirements for funding moving forward.

I would like to thank our subscribers, players and administration staff for their ongoing contribution to the organisation.

Motion: Annual Report and Audited Accounts be accepted

Moved: Ray Ahipene-Mercer **Seconded:** Grant Pryde

Carried.

Appointment of Proposed Auditors:

Motion: PKF Kendons Moved: Elly Ward Seconded: Glenda West

Carried.

Election of Board Members:

Board has approved Rau Ahipene-Mercer to stand for reappointment as chair. The Board acknowledged Ray's ongoing positive contribution to the Organisation and thanked him for standing for re-election and ensuring continuity whilst the board focusses on the succession of the position.

Moved: Elly Ward

Seconded: Emma Richards

Carried

Any other Business:

Beckie Lockhart (GM) thanked the players involved in all activities during the 2023 Season and thanked Karen Batten, outgoing chair of the players committee, and welcomed new member Jane Dalley and acknowledged all members of the committee who play a huge part within the Orchestra. GM concluded by thanking the Administration team for all their efforts behind the scenes.

Ray Ahipene-Mercer (Chair)

Closed the meeting thanking all for their comments and attendance. Invited all present to stay for light refreshments.

Meeting Closed 6.15pm