



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2010

of the Firebird Foundation, convened on 18 October 2010, in the FFMembers forum

A roll-call was taken, to which 32 voting members (a quorum) responded as present. The ninth Annual General Meeting of the Firebird Foundation Inc. was convened at 12:02 GMT 18 October, 2010, with Philippe Makowski in the Chair.

Apologies

The Secretary reported that the following members had tendered apologies:

Lateness: A. Anjos, C. Cantu, S. Leyne, J. Small

Absence: J. van der Waeter, D. Marmur, R. Cl  roux, M. Haas, H. van Landeghem, M. Lardizabal, M. Gaubeur, J. Duff, M. de Groot, M. T  llmann, R. Schubert, F. Mendon  a, A. Harrison

Minutes of the Previous AGM

The Minutes of the 2009 AGM were tabled. There were no Matters Arising.

AGM2010-01 :: It was moved from the Chair, "that the Minutes of the 2009 AGM be accepted."

Carried unanimously.

President's Annual Report

The President, P. Makowski, presented his annual report on the activities of the Foundation.

AGM2010-02* :: It was moved by P. Cisar, seconded by T. Beckmann, "that the President's annual report for 2009-2010 be accepted."

Carried unanimously.

* Typo corrected 2011-12-06, D. Achermann

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was tabled, showing all figures in US dollars and Australian dollars, for the year ending 9 June, 2010.

Matters Arising

H. Borrie noted an error in the sponsorship details, whereby SAS Institute was shown as a Silver sponsor, which it never had

been. The sponsorship should have been shown as a private one, in the name of William Oliver.

AGM2010-03 :: It was moved from the Chair, "that the Treasurer's report be accepted, subject to the following amendment:

"On page 8, under 'Profit & Loss Budget Overview June 2009 through May 2010', Silver Sponsorship item 'SAS Institute' should be changed to 'William Oliver'".

Carried. [Amended Treasurer's Report](#)

Ratification of Trademark Policy

The [final draft](#) of a Foundation policy for usage of the Firebird trademarks, was presented for discussion and ratification by the membership in general.

Several members expressed the view that the draft showed a lack of clarity that could be eliminated if more examples were provided in the FAQ section.

AGM2010-04 :: It was moved from the Chair, "that the Foundation policy for usage of the Firebird trademarks be ratified with the proviso that the Fair Use FAQ set be augmented as detailed below and in future, as required."

Carried.

Examples provided:

Q: Do I need to ask permission to use the Firebird name or logo in any kind of media publication, such as books or magazines, commercial or not, to support content that is trustworthy information about the Firebird RDBMS?

A: No.

Q: My company is selling Firebird tools and extensions. May I call my software Firebird SuperTools?

A: No. But a name of the form "SuperTools for Firebird" or "FBSupertools" may be used without explicit permission.

Election of Officers

Ballot scrutineers were C. Pirtea and B. Dunstan.

The following members were elected to the committee for the **2010-11** * year:

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President: Philippe Makowski (nom. O. Mascia, sec. H. Borrie)

Vice-President: Steve Summers (nom. P. Makowski, sec. H. Borrie)

Treasurer: Raymond Cl  roux (nom. P. Makowski, sec. H. Borrie)

Secretary: Helen Borrie (nom. O. Mascia, sec. S. Summers)

Committee: Paul Beach (nom. S. Summers, sec. R. Vellacott), Pavel Cisar (nom. P. Makowski, sec. R. Vellacott), Fabio Codebue (nom. S. Heymann, sec. R. Vellacott), Stefan Heymann (nom. P. Makowski, sec. R. Vellacott), Alexey Kovyazin (nom. P. Makowski, sec. H. Borrie), Olivier Mascia (nom. H. Borrie, sec. R. Vellacott), Thomas Steinmaurer (nom. H. Borrie, sec. S.

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The President, P. Makowski, thanked those who acted as scrutineers during the elections and welcomed the new Committee members. He expressed thanks to retiring Committee members Alan McDonald, Frank Ingermann, Mauricio Longo and Roman Rokytsky for their work in the outgoing Committee.

There being no further matters, the Chairman closed the formal business of the meeting at 08:45 GMT on 9 November, 2010.

Helen E. M. Borrie
Secretary