

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of I.W.A. Company Limited by Guarantee 2020**

**held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at IWA, Clontarf, Dublin 3 broadcast to members by Teams  
Live Event.**

Martin Kelly, Chair, opened the 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and welcomed everyone to the first IWA virtual AGM. He explained that the AGM was being held virtually due to COVID -19 restrictions and would cover a limited agenda. Martin acknowledged our President Eileen O'Mahony who retired from this position at the AGM and Olan McGowan who retired as a Board Director recently. He thanked them both for their enormous contribution to the Association. The Board co-opted current Board member Breda Dwyer to fill the vacancy of President as an interim measure until the AGM in 2021.

### **Item 2 - Minutes for 2019 Annual General Meeting**

The minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting were taken as read. As there were no matters arising the minutes were adopted.

**Proposed by: Padraic Hayes**

**Seconded by: Eimear Breathnach**

### **Item 3 – CEO Address**

Rosemary welcomed everyone to the 2020 AGM and reflected on the achievements of IWA in 2019 including a number of awards received, and also the many challenges that were faced. She outlined how IWA has continued to take a lead role in the disability services sector in lobbying representatives and government departments and agencies and highlighting the ongoing funding crisis in the disability sector. This year is IWA's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary but due to the global pandemic the celebrations have been put on hold. Rosemary paid tribute to all IWA staff whose dedication, generosity, community spirit and courage have been nothing short of inspirational in what has been a challenging year to date in the midst of a global pandemic.

### **Item 4 - Reports and Financial Statements:**

The reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors, and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019, as available on the IWA website, were presented by Mr Jonathan McShane, Chief Financial Officer & Director of Corporate Services.

The reports were unanimously accepted at the meeting.

**Proposed by: Josephine Carroll**

**Seconded by: Michael Hickey**

### **Item 5 - Auditors Remuneration:**

The Directors were authorised to fix the remuneration of the auditors.

**Proposed by: Michael Hickey**

**Seconded by: John O'Grady**

Martin Kelly, Chair, then thanked everyone for attending and brought the AGM to a close.