

FRIENDS OF THE BLACK WATCH CASTLE AND MUSEUM

Annual General Meeting



Wednesday 9th November 2011

Present:

Sarah Riddell-Webster, Trustee, Chairwoman (SRW)
Alfie Iannetta, Trustee, Ex Officio (AI)
James Watt, Trustee, Treasurer (JW)
Leonor Blackhall, Secretary (LB)
Lt Col (Retd) Philip Halford-MacLeod, Trustee (PHM)
Emma Halford-Forbes, Committee Member (EHF)
Timothy Finlay, Friend (TF)
Brigadier (Retd) Garry Barnett OBE, Friend (GB)
Lt Col (Retd) Willie Coupar, Friend (WC)
Major (Retd) David Noble DL, Friend (DN)
Colonel (Retd) David Arbuthnott MBE, Friend (DA)
Major (Retd) Colin Innes, Friend (CI)

Apologies:

Lt General Sir Alistair Irwin KCB CBE
Major (Retd) Ronnie Proctor (RP)
Lord Provost of Fife, Cllr Frances Melville
Lord Provost of Dundee, John R Letford
Lt Col (Retd) Straun Robertson
The Earl of Airlie
The Earl of Dalhousie
Colonel (Retd) Ian Critchley
Major (Retd) Hugh Rose
Mrs Margaret Rose
Mr Robin Melville
Mrs Audrey Sinclair
Mrs Rosemary Pitcaithly
Mrs Lorna Tunstull
Mr John Henry Tunstull
Mr Ruari Halford-MacLeod
Mrs Alison Halford-MacLeod
Mr J Read
Mr Brian Ritchie

SRW welcomed attendees to the meeting. LB read out recorded apologies

1. Previous Minutes

Minutes of the Inaugural General Meeting held on Thursday 9th September 2010 were discussed. This meeting had approved the Constitution and made initial arrangements for the management of the Friends. Minutes had been posted on the website.

Minutes were approved.

Proposed: JW

Seconded: EH

2. Reports and Accounts

JW reviewed the annual report and financial statement for the seven months ended 31st March 2011. Accounts approved.

Proposed: PHM

Seconded: DN

3. Independent Examiner

JW proposed to continue use of Messrs Morris and Young as Independent Examiner for Friends accounts. DN enquired as the cost. LB advised no invoice has yet been received. JW suggested the continued use of a professional company to review the Friends accounts to ensure accuracy and noted that the cost would be reduced now that we had got beyond our first accounts. An alternative will be considered if the cost is prohibitive.

Proposed: PHM

Seconded: DN

4. Appointment of Management Committee

No new nominations were received. All existing Committee members up for re-election except AI who continues on an ex-officio basis.

Committee positions:

SRW	Proposed: JW Seconded: DN
JW	Proposed: SRW Seconded: AI
LB	Proposed: PHM Seconded: EHF
PHM	Proposed: DN Seconded: EHF
RP	Proposed: EHF Seconded: CI
EHF	Proposed: SRW Seconded: AI

At a short Management Committee meeting held immediately after the close of the AGM SRW was re-elected as Chairwoman, JW as Treasurer and LB as Secretary.

5. Report by Chairwoman

SWR reviewed membership number, activities of the Friends since the launch in October 2010 and events planned for the coming year. AI thanked Major (Retd) Colin Innes helping to launch the Friends Calendar of event with his lecture in March. SRW announced the Friends fundraising project to be launched in January 2012 'Project Quatre Bras' explaining the rationale for the project and funds to be raised. CI raised questions regarding the cost, this was further discussed. Also discussed was the intention to set up a Friends events committee.

6. A.O.B:

None