



BRITISH CHILEAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

MEETING VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

11:00, 27TH MAY 2020

1. **Present:** Ana María Argandoña, Patricia Artigues, Mauricio Benitez, John Bolton, HMA Jamie Bowden, Raúl Canales, Mary Ann Chamberlain, Helen Conway, Elle Denton, Jack Downing, Horacio Flores, Paulina Galaz, David Gardner, Catalina Gonzalez, Constanza Gonzalez, Greg Holland, Carmen Jiron, María Isabel Juppet, David Lawson (Chairman), Peter Lynch, Carolina Merino, Gonzalo Miranda, María Moñiz, Guillermo Morales, Pedro Pfeffer, Mark Rookes, Henrique Sei, Valeria Serrano, Simon Tarbutt, Luis Vila, Marcelo Villagran, Nicholas Walker
2. **Notification of Meeting:** *Greg Holland* confirmed that the first meeting had been correctly notified on the 14th May 2020 in El Mostrador, with emails sent on the 20th and 26th May 2020 for this meeting.
3. **Previous Minutes:** *Greg Holland* also confirmed that the minutes of the 2019 AGM had been signed by *Jonathan Culland* and *Philip Somervell*, as agreed, and circulated accordingly without further comment.
4. **Signatories for 2020 Minutes:** *Greg Holland* asked for two volunteers to act as signatories for this year's minutes. Helen Conway and Nick Walker were appointed by the meeting.
5. **Chairman's Annual Report:** Chairman *David Lawson* presented his annual report. He expressed thanks to the Chamber team for managing well during a difficult year and thanked the board and Chamber committees for their continued support. He went on to summarise the Chamber's activities and acknowledged the highlights and key events in 2019.

At the end of 2019, the total number of members stood at 165. This figure is up from 163 at the end of the previous year. In spite of the external challenges the Chamber faced throughout the second half of the year, Britcham was able to upgrade former sponsor *Bupa* and former A+ member *GSK* both to Patrons. In addition, *Mainstream Renewable Power* and *Antofagasta Minerals* were upgraded to sponsors. It is important to note however that *British American Tobacco* and *Compass Group*, long-running patrons and sponsors respectively, decided to leave the Chamber.

Despite operational and commercial difficulties caused by the October/November Chilean social unrest and the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chairman highlighted the numerous successful events organised by the Chamber, including 29 committee meetings, 15 seminars, 40 conversation clubs, 8 private breakfasts/lunches, the 28th annual golf tournament, and three business networking cocktail evenings. In addition, the successes of the *3rd Women's Leadership Summit*, the *10th Sustainability Committee Environmental Innovation Awards Ceremony*, and the *Competencies for the 21st Century and Evaluation in the Classroom Workshop* were highlighted. Emphasis was also placed on the success of the committees and the new committees launched in 2020, namely the Human Capital Committee and the Technology, Innovation, and Science Committee.

6. **Trade Review:** *Greg Holland* presented a summary of the Chamber's 2019 trade activity. Through its Trade Services section, Britcham undertook a total of 15 projects through 2019 for 13 different clients. Among these projects, the Chamber organised a high-profile trade mission alongside the South African *Department of Trade & Industry* to bring together a delegation of 20 mining suppliers for a week's worth of activities in Chile. Other notable projects included arranging market visits for *AGD Systems*, *Auger Torque* and *SBM Corporate Real Estate*. However, external factors during the second half of the year caused a slump in demand for Britcham's trade services.
7. **Financial Statements to 31st December 2019:** *Greg Holland* presented the 2019 financial statements on behalf of the Treasurer *Christopher Lyon*. Summary copies and full reports will be available on request. *Greg Holland* expressed thanks to BDO for their work on the audit, and to KPMG, as the Chamber's accountants. *Nick Walker* proposed the approval of the accounts, and *Dave Lawson* seconded. The accounts were accepted without further comment.
8. **Proposal and Election of Directors:** *Greg Holland* expressed gratitude to the other members of the board for their support and hard work over the course of 2019. The 2014 by-laws require that 3 of the 9 directors are re-elected each year: *Felipe Cousiño*, *Peter Lynch* and *Leslie Hemery* all confirmed their willingness to continue as directors. As there were no other nominations, the meeting unanimously accepted their re-election with zero opposition. The Chairman informed the meeting that *Katia Trusich* had left the board and formally thanked her for her important contribution. *David Lawson* continues as Chairman, *Leslie Hemery* as Vice Chairman, and *Christopher Lyon* as Treasurer.

List of Current Directors	Re-election	Role
Monica Duwe	2021	

David Lawson	2021	Chairman
Nicholas Walker	2021	
Christopher Lyon	2022	Treasurer
Guillermo Morales	2022	
Felipe Cousiño	2023	
Leslie Hemery	2023	Vice Chairman
Peter Lynch	2023	

9. **Auditors for 2020:** Pedro Pfeffer proposed that BDO be appointed as auditors for 2020. Seconded by Peter Lynch.
10. **Publication for notification of AGM 2021:** Pedro Pfeffer proposed that the notice for next year's AGM should be posted on "El Mostrador". Seconded by Helen Conway
11. **AOB:** There was no other business.

Meeting closed at 12:50PM.



Helen Conway
Chamber Member



Nick Walker
Chamber Member