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MINUTES – General Meeting – March 1, 2022

Via ZOOM

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1. **Welcome and call to order** – Syd opened the meeting at 7:30pm.
2. **Introduction of Executive** – Syd introduced the executive and welcomed everyone to our March general meeting.
3. **Welcome new members and guests** – Syd welcomed our new members Dirk Fleming and family members Dottie Uhlman and Robert Winston as well as all guests that were present.
4. **Approval of Agenda** – Approval of the Agenda was given by the membership.
5. **Approval of February 1st 2022 general meeting minutes** – Motion moved by David Hoar and seconded by Valerie Fuller. Adopted.
6. **Financial/Membership Report** - Jim reviewed our February financial statement and informed us that our bank balance is \$7,749.48. The amount of \$10,000., which was received from the dissolution of the Boundary Bay Parks Assoc., was deposited in a High Interest Savings Account.

To date, we have 66 individual memberships and 37 family memberships for a total of 103 memberships.

7. **Possible return to in-person gatherings – preliminary discussion** – Syd introduced our plan to return to some form of in-person gatherings and gave us a short list of possible scenarios. These included four options for discussion –
 - a. Return to the old model – meeting monthly at the church hall,
 - b. Create a hybrid model – monthly meetings via Zoom and quarterly meetings at a venue focusing on a social component,
 - c. Continue with monthly Zoom general meetings,

d. Asking members for their suggestions.

Syd then opened the discussion to the members present asking for their opinions on returning to in-house meetings. We spent the remainder of the business meeting discussing the views expressed by the members. Discussion was lively and there was a total of 38 participants at this time.

8. **Adjournment** – Syd adjourned the meeting at 8:00pm
9. **Presentation by David Hoar – Micronesian Islands, Chuuk to Pohnpei** – David gave us an intriguing and informative story of his visit with wife Noreen Rudd in the 1980's to these islands.
10. **March's presentation** – Our next general meeting will be held on Zoom on April 5th, 2022 at 7:30pm. Our guest speaker will be Martin Gregus Jr. and his topic is Before They Sink - South Pacific Islands under Threat