

# THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB - BERMUDA

## DRAFT MINUTES AGM

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DATE: MAY 14, 2025

TIME/PLACE: 12 PM CORAL BEACH AND TENNIS CLUB

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### 1. WELCOME AND COME TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 1205 pm, with 57 members in attendance.
- President Angela Parry gave her apologies but was unable to attend. Past President Jessica Ray welcomed all attendees on the Presidents behalf. Thanked the hospitality team for managing the event. She noted that copies of the draft minutes, from last year's meeting had been circulated by email and posted on the IWC website.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE AGM HELD MAY 15, 2024

- Lindsay Forness motions to approve the minutes from the AGM May 15, 2024. Seconded by Nicky Medway. APPROVED

### 3. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Treasurer Barbara Polic noted the club's Financial Year End is 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2025; these will be available in Sept 2025.
- Key Financial Highlights to April 30, 2025, were available on each table. The club has raised \$18,829 from membership income. Thank you to those who donated to and for: A) Relay for Life. We raised \$4049 for The Bermuda Cancer and Health Centre. B) \$9508 were raised for the Christmas gifts to Care homes and hamper drive. C) \$3200 were raised by members volunteering at The PGA event at The Port Royal Golf Course.
- Based on our cash flow projections and ensuring we have sufficient funds to prefund social and hospitality events, the board is proposing we donate \$17,500 this year in grants.

### 4. ANNUAL GRANTS

- Philanthropy chair Jennifer Bull expressed that she is impressed with how the IWC gives back to the Bermuda community, while running activities and social events.
- Philanthropy reached out to the IWC members for suggestions for this year's annual grant donations. The Board narrowed this down to three strong grant proposals this year.
- As a result of the process the board is recommending:
  - 1) \$5000 Bermuda Autism Support and Education (BASE)

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IWC funding would partially support four para educators (2 paras for school break camps in October, Christmas, Winter Break and Spring Break) for the Social Stars Camps. Funding will directly help at least 8, Level 2 and 3, Autistic Children to go to camp.

- 2) \$7500 Peak Potential  
Offer customized tutoring to those lower income students whose families lack the financial resources to pay for tutoring services. This donation would cover approximately 60 tutoring hours.
- 3) \$5,000 Saving Children and Revealing Secrets (SCARS)  
SCARS is requesting funding for 6 months of radio spots over the course of the year. Spots will air in February, April, June, August, October and November.

**Jennifer Bull called a vote to approve \$17,500 total in grants to BASE (\$5000), Peak Potential (\$7500), SCARS (\$5000), seconded by Liza Zaychenko, APPROVED**

- This year’s recipients will be invited to attend the President’s Coffee on June 18, 2025.

**5. Appointment of Officers to the Board**

- Jessica Ray thanked the Nominating Committee chaired by Gillian McCann, assisted by Jennifer Bull and Elizaveta Zaychenko
- Gillian McCann announced the following Nominees for the slate of Officers for July 2025-2026 Board:

1.	President	Elizaveta Zaychenko
2.	First VP, Membership Chair	Megan Johnston
3.	Second VP, Philanthropy Chair	Jennifer Bull
4.	Hospitality Chair	Allison Cooper
5.	Secretary	Naomi Mason
6.	Treasurer	Barbara Polic
7.	Social Chair	Katie Garside
8.	New Islanders Chair	Colleen Schramm
9.	Communications Chair	Janine Hewitt
10.	Webmaster	Tatjana Kuleska

The Slate of Officers was **APPROVED**

**6. Any Other Business**

- None raised

## 7. Presidents Closing Remarks

- Jessica Ray wrapped up the meeting by reading Angela Parry's outgoing President's remarks, providing highlights of the various activities and events that had taken place over the year. She thanked the membership for their support throughout the year. thanked the Board Members individually for their support and dedication with a special thank you to those board members retiring from the board.
- A full copy of The President's Remarks are on the IWC website

## 8. Adjournment

- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:38 pm

### In attendance:

Allison Cooper	Jude Barton	Susana Latour
Amanda Froehlich	Kate Kallila	Sylvie Elliott
Ana Maria Tabbara	Katie Garside	Tanya Risk
Andrea Brown	Lark Lombardo	Tara Sullivan
Anne Jarrell	Laura Jennings	Tatjana Kuleska
Attilee Dalene	Linda McGlynn	Theresa Miller
Barbara Polic	Linda Mc Sweeney	Wendy Young
Beth Vesey	Lindsay Cook	
Brenda DeVos	Lindsay Forness	
Carina Lee	Louise Foden-Patterson	
Carole Thomsen	Louise Lister	
Catherine DeWeirdt	Marion Silver	
Claire Simons	Marlene Bicchieri	
Colleen Schramm	Michaela Barnes	
Dominie Doig	Monika Burrill	
Elizaveta Zaychenko	Naomi Mason	
Eva Shahim	Nicky Ellison	
Ewelina Alouane	Nicky Medway	
Fiona Moss	Nicole Cavanagh	
Gillian McCann	Rose Salinaro	
Jackie Walsh	Sadie Millard Braddock	
Jennifer Bull	Saima Butt	
Jenny Walder	Sallyann Smith-Stratton	
Jessica Lindow	Sandra Christensen	
Jessica Ray	Shannon Brennan	