# Women in Film & Television (UK) Ltd.

(the "Company")

Minutes of the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company held at 18:00 on Thursday 15 September 2022 via Zoom.

**Present:** see attendance sheet 2022

Board members present – Liz Tucker, Alison Miller, Jane Preston, Jacqui Farnham

**WFTV** staff members present – Katie Bailiff, Becky Kempson, Claudia Merhej, Nina Bhalla, Laura Venning

### **BSL Interpreter** – Rose Lennon

- 1) The WFTV Chair, Liz Tucker, welcomed everybody and having noted that a quorum of members was present, declared the Meeting open at 18:00.
- 2) The Chair proposed that the Notice of the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting, having been sent to all members on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 was taken as read and it was agreed without objection that the Notice had been sent and that it be taken as read.
- 3) The Chair referred to the Minutes of the preceding Annual General Meeting of the Company held on Wednesday 22 September 2021 and proposed that the minutes as drafted be approved.

The resolution was seconded by Jacqui Farnham.

#### A vote was taken and the minutes were approved unanimously.

4) The Chair then invited questions on the Company accounts for the financial year ended 31 August 2021. There being no questions, the Chair proposed as resolution 2 that the annual accounts for the financial year ended 31 August 2021 together with the directors' report and the auditor's report on those accounts be received.

The resolution was seconded by Alison Miller.

## The resolution was put to the Meeting and carried <u>unanimously</u>.

5) The Chair then noted resolution 3, that Arram Berlyn Gardner be re-appointed as auditors of the Company and that the directors be authorised to fix their remuneration and called on a Board member to propose the resolution.

The resolution was proposed by Jane Preston. The resolution was seconded by Jacqui Farnham.

The resolution was put to the Meeting and carried unanimously.

### This concluded the formal business of the meeting.

- 9) The CEO then highlighted the achievements made by WFTV over the last year:
  - Since the last AGM in September 2021, membership had continued to grow attracting members from all over the UK and overseas including US, Italy and China. This included 46 new corporate members from a diverse range of companies including broadcasters, indies and post houses. This financial year to August 2022 the membership has increased by 15%.
  - WFTV has delivered over 200 online and in person events. A packed programme
    included screenings, table reads, panel discussions, professional development
    workshops and masterclasses. It's worked with 69 industry partners and haa
    secured, for the first time an annual events programme sponsor many thanks to
    MGM and Eon.
  - In December 2021, WFTV held its 30th edition of the WFTV Awards. Omicron hit just Mel Giedroyc hosted 840 guests. Winners included Stacy Dooley, Charlotte Moore, Michaela Coel and Glenda Jackson and high-profile presenters such as Maggie Gyllenhaal, Louis Theroux, Anita Rani and Gugu Mbatha Raw.
  - WFTV is grateful to its headline sponsor Sky and the 22 other awards sponsors who helped make to make the day happen.
  - In January WFTV collaborated with the BFI and The Film and TV Charity to produce a live screening of the awareness film Toxic followed by a debate about bullying and harassment in the industry.
  - In March WFTV celebrated International Women's Day with an ambitious event where it held 5 simultaneous WFTV events for 279 of our members and industry professionals in Leeds, Belfast, Cardiff, Glasgow and London. This kicked off WFTV's return to live events in the nations and regions, in Leeds it hosted a screening of Gentleman Jack changed my Life which explored the importance of LGBTQ representation on and off screen. In Bristol, it held an event with a practical introduction to motion camera and WFTV delivered a nations and regions skills gap event.
  - WFTV's been actively raising its profile by attending key industry festivals. In May, it
    held a member's meet-up at the Cannes Film Festival and Katie Bailiff took part in a
    panel alongside international sister organizations; WFTV Germany, Israel, Canada,
    India and Italy. In June WFTV hosted a networking reception for 130 delegates at the

Sheffield Documentary Festival. It also held a members meet-up at this year's Edinburgh TV Festival.

- In July WFTV, shone a light on the world of post-production an area where women are still largely underrepresented. It launched a new award – The Elouise Carden Rising Star in Post Production which recognizes outstanding work by an early career woman working in post. The WFTV jury decided on a winner and presented machine room assistant Hollie Griffin with a £2000 bursary at this year's WFTV Summer Party.
- WFTV ran its awards nominations for the December 22 awards and 13 juries were held to discuss and select the individual winners. And WFTV would like to thank all jury chairs and the assembled industry professionals who gave their time to serve as judges.
- WFTV is now in the fourth year of supporting female filmmakers through The Pat Llewellyn Bursary fund. It is delighted to announce that one of our previous winners, Laura Martin Robinson has been nominated for a Welsh BAFTA for her BBC Wales film 'Mothers, Missiles and the American President'
- WFTV's Four Nations Mentoring Scheme is now in its 14th year. Tracy Forsyth,
  Director of Mentoring is delivering the England scheme, Sarah McCaffrey is
  producing in Northern Ireland and Karen Kelly and Hannah Corneck deliver the
  schemes in Scotland and Wales respectively.
- Many thanks to WFTV mentor scheme sponsors Netflix, UKTV, BBC, Channel 4, Eon, Panalux and Panavision and NBC Universal. This year WFTV has also welcomed new sponsors Sara Putt Associates and Indigo Talent.

The CEO, Katie Bailiff, then asked for questions, there were no questions.

The Chair, Liz Tucker, then extended thanks to the following people:

- WFTV board of directors
- All the members of our Finance Committee.
- Our Company Secretary, Victoria Gaskell
- And to all WFTV members without whom WFTV couldn't exist.

- Katie, the WFV CEO, and all the WFTV office staff. That team is Claudia, senior awards and events producer, Becky, London awards and events producer; Scarlet, regional awards and events producer; Nina marketing and communications manager and Laura office and membership administrator.
- Tracy Forsyth, WFTV Director of Mentoring and also to WFTV mentoring producers in Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland, Hannah Corneck, Karen Kelly and Sarah McCaffrey.
- 10) There being no other business or questions, at 18:20 the Chair declared the meeting closed.