

# **Minutes of the Annual General Assembly (RAGA) of SwissCham Beijing**

**Statutory Year 2008/2009**

**Date and time:** 27 March 2009, 5 p.m.  
**Venue:** Swissôtel Beijing  
**Chair:** John Liebeskind, President, SwissCham Beijing  
**Minutes Taker:** Clarisse von Wunschheim, Secretary-General, SwissCham Beijing

## **1. Preliminary Matters**

### **1.1. Opening, Welcome Address and Organization Matters**

The Voting Bureau closes and John Liebeskind opens the RAGA at 5 p.m. He welcomes H.E. Blaise Godet, Ambassador of Switzerland to China, and the Assembly. He then addresses organizational matters and recalls that the RAGA is detailed in the RAGA Package, the outline of which will be followed throughout the RAGA. He invites the Assembly to refer to it whenever necessary.

### **1.2. Vote Counting Officer**

Batiste Pilet, General Manager, SwissCham Beijing is approved as Vote Counting Officer. Yvan Sprunglin, Alex Zhang and Vivian Yang, members of the Management of SwissCham Beijing, are approved as Deputies.

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### **1.3. Quorum**

The quorum is then reviewed as follows:

Voting members	80	100%
Quorum	40	50%
Voting members present	19	
Proxies to third-parties	3	
Proxies to BOD	33	
Total votes present	55	69%

The quorum being reached, the RAGA may proceed.

### **1.4. Minutes Taker, Agenda and Minutes**

Clarisse von Wunschheim, Secretary-General, SwissCham Beijing, is then approved as Minutes Taker. So are the Agenda of the current RAGA and the Minutes of the last RAGA.

## **2. Reports and Proposals**

### **2.1. President's Reports**

John Liebeskind delivers the 2008/9 Activity Report. He is followed by Peter Troesch, Vice President, SwissCham Beijing, who delivers the 2009/10 Tentative Program.

Christoph Konrad, Treasurer, SwissCham Beijing (CK), presents the fees increase proposal which is approved by 52 votes.<sup>1</sup>

John Liebeskind presents the amendment proposal to the Bylaws of SwissCham Beijing which is approved by 50 votes.

### **2.2. Treasurer's Reports**

CK delivers his report on the 2008/9 accounts. He is followed by Stéphane Grand of SJ Grand, Auditor of SwissCham Beijing, who delivers his Auditor's Report and confirms that the Treasurer's Report is accurate.

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<sup>1</sup> This item should have been addressed after at the end of the Treasurer's reports but was treated here by mistake.

CK then presents the 2009/10 budget.<sup>2</sup>

The reports are then submitted to the Assembly's and all of them are approved by 53 votes.

Eventually the 2008/9 BOD is discharged by 52 votes.

### **3. Appointments**

SJ Grand is reappointed by the Assembly as Auditor for 2009 with 53 votes.

### **4. Elections**

#### **4.1. Board of Directors**

John Liebeskind announces that the following seven Directors of the 2008/9 Board are reapplying and that all of them meet the threshold:

Alex Sudan  
Chen Yuxing  
Christoph Konrad  
Felix Sutter  
Peter Troesch  
Ronald Szytura  
Klaus Ziegler

He then announces the following four new candidates:

Adrian Emch  
Urs Laeppi  
Wang Junyi  
Thomas Keller

No further candidate applies after John Liebeskind asks the Assembly if there are any.

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<sup>2</sup> See above note 1

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The new candidates, then the reapplying candidates briefly introduce themselves to the Assembly. All the candidates are then elected as follows:

Adrian Emch	54 votes
Alex Sudan	54 votes
Chen Yu Xing	54 votes
Christoph Konrad	54 votes
Felix Sutter	52 votes
Peter Troesch	53 votes
Ronald Szypura	54 votes
Thomas Keller	54 votes
Urs Lueppi	54 votes
Klaus Ziegler	54 votes
Wang Junyi	54 votes

### **4.2. President of SwissCham Beijing**

John Liebeskind announces that Peter Troesch is candidate. No further candidate applies after John Liebeskind asks the new BOD if there is any. Peter Troesch is then elected with 53 votes.

### **4.3. National Representatives**

John Liebeskind announces that Peter Troesch, Alex Sudan and Felix Sutter are candidates. Peter Troesch is also candidate as Regional President. No further candidate apply after John Liebeskind asks the new BOD if there are any. The candidates are then elected as follows:

Peter Troesch	53 votes	(Regional President)
Alex Sudan	54 votes	
Felix Sutter	55 votes	

## **5. Appreciations & Closing**

Clarisse von Wunschheim introduces and thanks the Management on behalf of the BOD.

John Liebeskind thanks the departing Directors of the BOD, the departed Executive Director, Michaela Scarpatetti, and the Chamber's sponsors on behalf of the BOD. He then expresses his personal gratitude to Denis Schmid, Ambassador Dante Martinelli and Cyrill Eltschinger for their support throughout his tenure.

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Peter Troesch then extends the Chamber's gratitude to John Liebeskind for his dedication over the past four terms.

No other business being left unattended, the RAGA is closed at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Beijing, 27 March 2009

John Liebeskind  
President, SwissCham Beijing  
Chairman of the RAGA

Clarisse von Wunschheim  
Secretary-General, SwissCham Beijing  
Minutes Taker of the RAGA