



2018 Annual General Meeting

2pm, Saturday 27 October 2018

Darebin Parklands, Alphington

Meeting Minutes

It was noted that the meeting was being run according to the new Association Rules approved by the Special General Meeting held earlier in the day.

Attending:

Jan Aitken, Ro Bailey, Hannah Bathen, Helen Bennett, Melissa Brickell, Carole Brown, John Burke, Deb Chapman, David Crawford, Julie Eagles, John Farlow, Keith Gove, Peter Harvey, Aaltje Harvey, Otis Heffernan-Wooden, Belinda Duarte, Michelle Isles, Ian James, Alistair King, Peter Lewis, Aislinn Martin, Erin McKinnon, Demian Natakhan, Damian O'Keefe, Jennifer Perlstein, Rosemary Rule, Kath Travis, Greg Thorpe, Abe Schwarz, Aileen Traynor, Win Van den Bossche, Jill Webb, Bob West, Kathryn Nauta and Vicki Clark.

Apologies who provided a proxy form:

Vicky Grosser, Jo Moore, Bob Heaton, Joyce Dodge, Anne Schmidt, Michelle Forbes, Jo Whitehead, Sasha Trikojus, Emily Chauvel Byrne, Nicole Findlay, Philippa Day, John Bonnice, Josephine Moore.

Apologies:

Howard Tankey, Sue Jones, Narelle Smith-Haslett, Susanne Haring, John Murray, Dierdre Robertson, Terry Makin, Barbara Oehring, Vic Say, Juanita Pope, Genevieve Timmins, Fran Smullen, Steff Armstrong, John Perry OAM, Pam Tankey.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

Michelle Isles (Co-chair) gave an Acknowledgment of Country.

2. Present and Apologies

3. Minutes of previous AGM

Motion: That the minutes of the previous AGM be accepted.

Moved: John Farlow

Seconded: Vicki Clark

The motion was passed.

4. Co-chairs' report

- Commended this year's Annual Report
- Thanked staff and volunteers and acknowledged the valuable contribution they made throughout the entire year.
- Ran through highlights of the year, including:
 - Vicki Clark's addition to Victorian Aboriginal Honour Roll, joining John Baxter
 - Good fortune to have Trevor Pearce join the Council
 - Thank you to volunteer Greg Thorpe for great work helping organize this year's Regional Forum on Wurundjeri Country
 - approval of new Association Rules that set out Reconciliation Victoria's commitment to a stronger Aboriginal voice in its governance.

Motion: That the Co-chairs' report be accepted.

Moved: Trevor Pearce

Seconded: Deb Chapman

The motion was passed.

5. Financial Report and Statement

Treasurer John Farlow gave summary of Reconciliation Victoria's financial position:

- An audit was conducted by Craig R Pound & Associates Chartered Accountants, Ivanhoe, and the audit report is un-qualified.
- At the end of 2018 cash reserves amounted to \$346,276 (2017: \$179,451) meaning Reconciliation Victoria is well placed to continue operations and support exciting new and ongoing initiatives in the 2019 financial year.

Motion: That the Financial Report and Statement be accepted.

Moved: Peter Lewis

Seconded: Keith Gove

The motion was passed.

6. Statewide Coordinator's report

Erin McKinnon acknowledged we were meeting on Wurundjeri Country and outlined some of year's highlights:

- New-look website is exciting
- Monthly eNews keeps improving and audience continues to grow
- We've had 20,000 extra visitors to Maggolee in past year
- HART Awards is always a highlight of the year – she encouraged everyone to check out this year's booklet and congratulated all winners and finalists.
- Erin shared what she had learnt during her time in the role and thanked Council members, staff, volunteers, LRG members and others she'd learned from and worked with.

Motion: That the Statewide Coordinator's report be accepted.

Moved: Peter Lewis

Seconded: Deb Chapman

The motion was passed.

7. Any business that any member has requested in writing

No other business received.

8. Election of Board members

Nominations were received from:

- Belinda Duarte
- Michelle Isles
- Trevor Pearce
- John Farlow
- Aislinn Martin
- Juanita Pope
- Andrew Gunstone
- Vicki Clark
- Keith Gove

As there were nine nominations for nine positions all were declared elected. Co-Chairs asked for and received acclamation from the meeting for the election.

Motion: That the members approve the nomination of the nine Board members.

Moved: Julie Eagles

Seconded: Helen Bennett

The motion was passed.

Co-Chairs Michelle Isles and Belinda Duarte then expressed their appreciation to those that have now stepped down from RecVic governance: Melissa Brickell, John Baxter and Deb Chapman.

Vicki Clark led all assembled members in a vote of thanks to Belinda Duarte and Michelle Isles for their important work and leadership as Co-Chairs of Reconciliation Victoria.

AGM closed at 2.42pm.

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