

Annual General Meeting 2021

Draft Minutes

Meeting Place: Online Meeting via Zoom
Meeting Date: Wednesday 27 October 2021
Meeting Time: 12:00pm – 2:30pm
Minutes taken by: Elyse Cox, Board Governance Officer

The Annual General Meeting commenced at 12:05pm.

Chair: Sam Lilly

Attendees:

Jax Jacki Brown; Nemis Cain; Elyse Cox; Vikki Cummings; Natalie Foxall; Sandra Fuegle; Samantha Gagliardi; Rosie Garland; Jenny Godwin; Sharon Granek; Is Hay; Jen Hargrave; Deborah Haygarth; Alex Holland; Lou Hollis; Sarah Hookey; Keran Howe; Shakira Hussein; Sonja Ilevska; Mon Ince; Bridget Jolley; Helena Jordan; Pan Karanikolas; Vicki Kearney; Timna Kenny; Anna Lampugnagni; Lorraine Le Plastrier Samantha Lilly; Vikki Long; Cina Loren; Larissa MacFarlane; Trica Malowney; Nadia Mattiazzo; Andrea Mayne; Renee McCarthy; Colleen McGrath; Cath McNamara; Sirani McNeill; Carly Myers; Imogen Newhouse; Zion Alepha Phiri; Diana Piantedosi; Karleen Plunkett; Anaab Rooble; Eva Sifis; Nicole Smith; Brigitte Stone; Natalie Tomas; Gillian Victor

Total attendance = 73 persons.

Total Full Members in attendance = 47

Note: The AGM was quorate consistent with Clause 18 of WDV Constitution.

Apologies: Deborah Verdon; Sharon Granek; Kay Timmins; Emma Klemm; Jane Rosengrave; Jody Barney;

Proxies: Tricia Malowney for Jody Barney;



Welcome

The CEO welcomed everyone to the AGM.

The CEO presented the Acknowledgement of Country and paid respect to the traditional custodians.

The CEO outlined housekeeping, access and support arrangements and emergency procedures.

Confirmation of Previous Minutes - 2020 Annual General Meeting

The Chair of the meeting, Sam Lilly, motioned that the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting be accepted, without amendment.

Moved: Sam Gigliardi

Seconded: Diana Piantedosi

Motion passed

Co-Chair's Report for 2020-2021: Imogen Newhouse

Imogen presented the report, which is also available in the annual report.

Highlights of the report include:

- WDV continued to implement the 2021- 2024 Strategic Plan and worked on improving our intersectionality, including gender inclusion and anti-racism. The Board also participated in good governance training and released a position statement on NDIS independent assessments.
- Changes in senior management roles also occurred this year. CEO, Leah van Poppel continued to lead the WDV team throughout the year and was strongly supported by Nadia Mattiazzo in the roles of Deputy CEO and more recently Acting CEO as Leah took a leave of absence to focus on family



CEO's Report for 2020-2021: Nadia Mattiazzo

Nadia presented the report, which is also available in the annual report.

Highlights of the report include:

- Our Community Inclusion and Women's Empowerment Program has finalised a project which identified barriers for older women, delivered workshops for women with disabilities and relevant community organisations.
- The Our Right to Safety and Respect Resource commenced reviewing and scoping current and future engagement with our youth community as well as engaging with partners to deliver our next Enabling Women Leadership Program.
- We have grown our leadership Hubs to 4 and they are undertaking an amazing range of activities in a very challenging environment.
- The Workforce Development team has also moved to an online delivery mode, continuing to be busy delivering training, developing resources, and offering advice and consultation through our Experts by Experience, a team of women with disabilities.
- We have also received some Federal Government funding to implement our new Health Services Program which is also using the Expert by Experience model to build expertise, deliver resources and work with partner health organisations and hard-to-reach women with disabilities to discuss and promote equitable access to health services.

Treasurer's Report for 2020-2021: Anaab Rooble

Presentation of the Annual Financial Report

Anaab presented the report on behalf of the Treasurer, which is also available in the annual report. She noted that WDV is in a strong financial position and was able to remain solvent.



Highlights of the report include:

- The Profit and Loss Statement shows a surplus (gain) of \$444,494.00 in the 2020/21 financial year.
- Revenue (money coming in) for this year was \$2,499,459.00, an increase of \$683,613.00 from last year.
- Expenses (money going out) for this year was \$2,054,965.00, an increase of \$174,236.00 from last year.
- Equity (value of WDV) for this year was \$1,774,756.00, an increase of \$444,495.00 from last year.
- This year Current Assets are \$2,947,192.00, which is equal to 2.87 times our Current Liabilities of \$1,026,947.00. This is a healthy position.
- Cash Reserves increased this year to \$2,899,039.00 an increase of \$136,981.00 from last year.

Motion that the Women with Disabilities Victoria 2020-2021 Annual Financial Report be accepted

Moved: Deb Haygarth

Seconded: Keran Howe

Motion passed

Appointment of Auditor 2021-2022

Motion that Moran Chartered Accountants be appointed as Auditor for the upcoming financial year of 2021-2022.

Moved: Sonja Ilievska

Seconded: Penny Dorgan

Motion passed



Brenda Gabe Leadership Award 2021

Nadia noted that this year WDV received 13 nominees, and Jacinta Parsons as our Independent judge.

A short video outlining what the 2021 nominees was presented. Following the presentations, Shakira Hussein spoke to the group about her experience as the previous award winner.

Nadia then announced the winner of the 2021 Brenda Gabe Leadership Award Elena Macdonald. Elena then made a short speech of acceptance.

15-minute Break: (1:30-1:45)

Election of Board of Directors – Pan Karanikolas

The Returning Officer, Pan Karanikolas, reported that there are a maximum of 4 positions available on the board for 2021-2022.

Maria Allen, Susan Stork Finlay, and Sharon Granek have resigned.

Imogen Newhouse is renominating.

WDV received 5 nominations from the following:

1. Alex Holland
2. Helena Jordan
3. Emma Klemm
4. Imogen Newhouse
5. Gillian Victor

Pan outlined voting access and procedures. Each nominee read their nomination statements to the meeting.

All nomination statements were provided to all members in advance of the meeting.



Pan opened the floor for the first round of voting.
Pan advised Alex Holland has been appointed to the WDV board.

Pan opened the floor for the second round of voting.
Pan advised Helena Jordan has been appointed to the WDV board.

Pan opened the floor for the third round of voting.
Pan advised Emma Klemm has been appointed to the WDV board.

Pan opened the floor for the final round of voting.
Pan advised Imogen Newhouse has been appointed to the WDV board.

Pan confirmed Alex Holland, Helena Jordan, Emma Klemm, and Imogen Newhouse appointment to the WDV board.

Nadia Mattiazzo thanked the outgoing Board Directors Marie Allen, Susan Stork Finlay and Sharon Granek; and noted that the directors will be sent a certificate and a gift through the mail for their service to WDV.

The Annual General Meeting concluded at 2:12pm.

I attended the 2021 Annual General Meeting and certify that these Minutes are true and correct.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

