# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WANNEROO REPERTORY HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH 2017

APOLOGIES AND ATTENDANCE – as per attendance book

IN THE CHAIR - Shelley McGinn - Acting President

MINUTES RECORDED BY - Jane Anderson - Acting Secretary

Shelley declared the meeting open at 7.30 pm and welcomed members and the Mayor of the City of Wanneroo, Tracey Roberts. Life membership badges were presented by Tracey Roberts prior to the formal commencement of the meeting.

# 1.0 CONFIRMATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM HELD ON 16 MARCH 2016

MOVED JAMES HOUGH-NEILSON AND SECONDED ANDREW BROWN THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM HELD ON 16 MARCH 2016 ACCEPTED. ALL IN FAVOUR – UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

# **Business Arising**

#### **6.2 Complimentary Tickets**

Tracey Roberts (Mayor of the City of Wanneroo) thanked the meeting for the gesture but advised that she thought it was not appropriate to offer complimentary tickets to the Mayor and Councillors of the City of Wanneroo.

### 2.0 TREASURER'S REPORT AND AUDITOR'S REPORT (COPY ON FILE)

Ros Guye presented the Treasurer's Report and the Auditor's report for perusal by the members in attendance.

Ros advised that the auditor Gary Grant was extremely happy with the way the accounts were presented for audit. He also made some suggestions for improvement, which Ros will implement.

MOVED ROS GUYE AND SECONDED ROBERT BENSON-PARRY THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF OUR ACCOUNTS. ALL IN FAVOUR – UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

#### 3.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT (COPY ON FILE)

The Acting President, Shelley McGinn, read her report. Shelley thanked the outgoing committee for their help and support during 2016 and all the members and volunteers for their continued support of their theatre.

## 4.0 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2017

James Hough-Neilson accepted the role of Returning Officer. Scrutineers appointed from the floor: Dave Browning, Robert Benson-Parry and Lorretta Gibbs

#### **NOMINATIONS – Executive Committee Members**

President - Shelley McGinn and David Nelson, nominees for this position, both gave a short speech and then voting by secret ballot was conducted. Shelley McGinn elected by ballot of members present, including some absentee votes.

The office of Vice President was declared vacant. Shelley McGinn asked David Nelson if he would accept nomination for this position, seconded by Colleen Hopkins, all present in favour.

David Nelson was therefore elected unopposed for the remainder of the term, 1 year.

Secretary - Loz Haynes - elected unopposed

Theatre Maintenance Manager – no appointment (position vacant)

## **Five (5) Committee Positions**

Nominations received from Jane Anderson, Jen Edwards, Meg Considine, Colleen Hopkins and John McPherson.

Also received a nomination from the floor from Robert Vincent.

Following a ballot of members, Jane Anderson, Jen Edwards, Meg Considine, Colleen Hopkins and John McPherson were elected to the Committee for 2017.

### **Non Committee Positions**

Lighting Manager
Membership Secretary
Newsletter Editor
Properties Manager
Soft Furnishings Manager
Resident Stage Manager
Jacob Anderson
Jane Anderson
Jen Edwards
Carryn McLean
Lorretta Gibbs
Vacant

Front of House Manager
Sound Manager
Wardrobe Manager

Brad Beckett
John McPherson
Joyce Gilbert

Club Photographer Tania Morrow, Michael Balmer Gillian Binks and Oliver

Bourne

Website Manager Catherine Dunn Facebook Manager Jen Edwards

#### 5.0 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Ros advised that Gary Grant is prepared to continue as our Auditor.

MOVED ROS GUYE AND SECONDED JOYCE GILBERT THAT GARY GRANT BE APPOINTED AS AUDITOR FOR 2017. ALL IN FAVOUR – UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

#### 6.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### 6.1 Auditor's Report

Tom Malenko expressed concern that a copy of the auditor's report was not available for the members to peruse.

# 6.2 Membership and Volunteers

Alan Brock noted his disappointment regarding the lack of volunteers for jobs at the theatre. He expressed the opinion that members should volunteer to assist. He added that people who wish to perform in shows should become financial members. Shelley McGinn advised that we can only encourage people to become members, we can't force them.

Joyce Gilbert was concerned that non-members would not be covered by our public liability insurance. Shelley advised that all people who visit or volunteer in the theatre are covered.

Members would like clarification around this subject. What about guest artists? David Nelson offered that generally it is hard to get volunteers and all volunteer organisations are finding it difficult.

#### 6.3 Reminders to pay membership

Roger Oakes expressed his concern that he did not receive a reminder to pay his membership renewal.

Shelley McGinn replied that in the past a red dot was placed on the physical newsletter, however most people receive their newsletter via email, and although the reminder to renew is in the newsletter, it is not personalised.

Advised Roger that we can now accept a direct deposit into our bank account. Jane Anderson (Membership Secretary) to ensure all members are informed when renewal is due.

#### 6.4 45 year anniversary

Murray reminded the members that next year is the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Wanneroo Repertory. He suggested that we have a combined anniversary ball and awards night, possibly at Bridgeleigh Function Centre.

Jen Edwards suggested a sub-committee be assembled chaired by Murray.

#### 6.5 Labour Party funding

Jen Edwards asked Shelley to explain more about the \$100,000 funding offered by Sabine Winton (Newly elected Labour MLA for Wanneroo).

Shelley explained that she was approached by Sabine, who offered the theatre some funding, on the proviso that Sabine was successful in taking office. Shelley advised that she had given a 'wish list' to Sabine of what we would like to spend the funds on. She advised Sabine, we needed new stage curtains (\$12 -\$14,000), to revamp the foyer (furniture and decoration) and a furniture store. The money for the furniture store would be presented to the City of Wanneroo and they would arrange to build a shed on site, next to the theatre.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.28 pm.

| THE MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 29 MARCH 2016 WERE APPROVED AND ACCEPTED BY THE AGM HELD AND SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY AT THAT MEETING. |           |          |
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| President  | Secretary | <br>Date |