

# Minutes - Annual General Meeting



8<sup>th</sup> December 8:00pm EDST

Meeting open : 8:05pm EDST

Chair – Naomi Lacey

Present: Oscar Danver, Josh Barnes, Naomi Lacey, Karen Gardham, Gavin Hardy, John Mc Bain, John Brisbin, Lorna Martin, Jo Dean, Chris Smyth, Alex Miller, Jane Mowbray.

Apologies: none

Minute Taker : Josh Barnes

Approve last minutes : confirmed

## Zoom Meeting Link

- <https://zoom.us/j/93662837273?pwd=Z0xZSE9pVTc1Ulg3RHdGM0hReDVtZz09>
- Password: 725595

## Agenda

### 1. Welcome and First Nations acknowledgement

NL provides welcome and acknowledgement of country

### 2. Apologies and Approve Previous Minutes

No apologies

Previous minutes approved

### 3. Other business

- Urban Ag Month/The Big Dig
  - Committee to encourage gardens to promote Urban Ag Month (ALL)
  - Suggestion of an annual event of the 'Big Dig'. Potential for funding.
    - Oscar suggested the creation of a template for all gardens to use
    - NL to follow up on brochure. To come next meeting (NL)
    - Discussion about name (ie. No Dig) and timing (autumn or spring). Suggestion of cross-promotion with Urban Ag. Month

- Meeting in agreement to look at activating a Big Dig event for new year.
- Logo
  - Have lost Kartier as social media person. Committee to look for another person to lead the social media (ALL)
  - NL to look on volunteer websites (NL)
  - Alex volunteered to be interim social media lead for CGA. Alex to talk to NL to talk to Kartier to handover CGA social Media (AM)
  - Discussion of logo shortlist. Next step to put logo out to public and get public feedback (NL, AM)
- New committee structure
  - NL tables proposal for new committee structure - composed of 4 executive offices (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary) and 3 ordinary members (one of whom would have the role of coordinating with state reps.
  - CS –recommended a two-way flow between committee and state reps
  - JBr – synergy between State Rep Coordinator and Membership Coordinator
    - Meeting in Unanimous agreement for the change to the committee structure.
- Grants
  - Meeting discussed Citizens science grants;. Potential for App development and funding for CGA. Jonathan Kingsley from Swinburne – research in community gardens. No action – for further investigation

#### **4. President’s Report**

NL tables written report to committee

#### **5. Treasurer’s Report**

- a. Equity reduced – down 17% since last year. To stay viable we need income next year
- b. \$4500 in the bank + unexpended grants

#### **6. Acceptance of Financial report**

- a. Accepted – unanimous

#### **7. Election of committee members**

- a. NL declares all positions vacant
  - i. President – NL was nominated by Oscar. Seconded by Lorna
    - Accepted by Naomi. No other nominations
  - ii. Vice President – NL nominates Lorna. Jane Seconded
    - Accepted by Lorna. No other nominations

- iii. Treasurer – Jane nominates John B. Oscar Self Nominates. Lorna nominates Oscar. Jo Seconds. John withdraws
  - No other nominations
- iv. Secretary – NL nominates Josh Barnes. Chris seconds.
  - No other nominations
- v. Ordinary Members:
  - CS – self nominates. NL Seconds. Chris says he’s prepared to take the coordination role
  - Jane nominates John B. He accepts;
  - NL nominates Karen. Jo seconds
    - a. Karen accepts
  - JBr nominates Jane, Gav seconds
    - a. Jane Accepts

John B withdraws, leaving three nominees for the three ordinary positions.  
John B leaves the meeting

The meeting confirms the appointments

NL thanked the outgoing members of the committee.

## **8. Other business**

- John McB – acknowledging of Josie Boyle, who wrote the Community Gardens song. Recommendation of the full recording of the song to be available on the website. Check with family about distribution of song (JMcb)

## **Previous Minutes**

AGM 2019 12th Nov 8:00pm

### **Members present**

**Naomi Lacey**  
**Joel Orchard**  
**John Brisbin**  
**Jo Dean**  
**Lorna Martin**

Apologies :  
Jane Mowbrey  
Jimi

## **AGENDA**

Acknowledgements on First Nations People

Accept the minutes from previous AGM 2018  
Lorna, 2nd Naomi

### **Presidents Report -**

Attached ( in file GDrive )  
Accepted Joel, 2nd Lorna

### **Treasurer's Report -**

Attached ( in file GDrive )  
Accepted Naomi, 2nd Lorna

### **Survey Report :**

Much better respondent rate  
See attached ( in file Gdrive )

### **Membership Report :**

Challenges with website  
Making membership platform difficult

Declare all positions vacant  
Call for nominations

### **Positions :**

President : Jane nominates Naomi, Jo 2nd : accepted  
Vice President : Naomi nominates Lorna, Jo 2nds : accepted  
Secretary : Naomi nominates Joel, Lorna 2nds : accepted  
Treasurer : Naomi nominates John B, Lorna 2nds : accepted

Membership Secretary - Naomi nominates Jane, Jo 2nds : ( accepted pending )  
General Exec Members - Joel nominates Jo, 2nd Naomi : accepted

### **> States Reps**

QLD - vacant  
NSW - pending | Jimi  
NT - Naomi | Liah Gill / Josh Barnes

SA - pending | Christy

TAS - Jo

VIC - Lorna

WA - pending | Anthony Ridolfo

ACT - pending

**Meeting Closed - 8:40pm**