

# 51<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting DRAFT MINUTES

**Sunday 20 September 2020**

**Glebe Youth Centre**

Welcome and acknowledgement of Country

Outgoing President, Mark Stapleton, opened the meeting at 11.12am and welcomed members to the 2020 Annual General Meeting of The Glebe Society. Mark thanked everyone for participating and the Glebe Youth Service for hosting the event.

Allira McGrady from the Glebe Youth Service acknowledged the Gadigal – Wangal peoples of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians.

## **1. Present**

Mark Stapleton in the Chair, 27 members attended in person and a further 8 attended by video conference.

## **2. Apologies**

Regina Haerstch, Karin Kolbe, Graham Bassett, Michael Morrison, Janice Challinor, Asa Wahlquist

## **3. Minutes of 2019 Annual General Meeting**

Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting were confirmed.

Moved: Judy Vergison

Seconded: Janet Wahlquist

Carried

## **4. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer had earlier circulated the audited accounts for 2019-2020. These were approved

Moved: Jude Paul

Seconded: Mark Stapleton

Carried

## **5. Secretary's Report**

The Secretary reported that membership for 2019-2020 was 427, perhaps the highest membership in the history of TGS and possibly thanks to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. She noted however, based on current renewals, this was unlikely to continue into 2020-2021.

Moved: Janet Wahlquist

Seconded: Lesley Lynch

Carried

## **6. Presidents' Reports**

In 2019-2020, the Presidency was rotated between three Presidents – Mark Stapleton, Brian Fuller and Janet Wahlquist. Each President reported on the key issues during their time in the role and a full account of these reports is in Bulletin No. 8 2020.

The Chair thanked several sub-committee convenors who are stepping down. After many years Lesley Lynch is stepping down as Convenor of the Bays and Foreshores sub-committee and will be replaced by Asa Wahlquist. Janice Challinor has stepped down as Convenor of the Community Development sub-committee and has been replaced by Jan Macindoe. The AGM was also the first formal recognition and acknowledgement of Neil Macindoe's long-standing role as former Convenor of the Planning sub-committee.

The Annual Reports of the Society's sub-committees have been printed in Bulletins Nos.7 and 8 2020.

The Presidents' Reports were endorsed.

Moved: Ted McKeown

Seconded: Jude Paul

Carried

## **7. Election of the Management Committee**

The following nominations were received for the Management Committee:

President: Janet Wahlquist

Vice President: Mark Stapleton

Treasurer: Jane Gatwood

Secretary: Jude Paul

Ordinary member: Ted McKeown; Marybeth Brinson; Allan Hogan; Michael Morrison

All nominations were approved with acclamation.

## **8. Special Business**

Mark reported that a small working group convened for the purpose, recommended that Lyn Collingwood and Peter Thorogood, in recognition of their extraordinary services to The Glebe Society, be nominated for Life Membership. Mark noted that sadly, Peter Thorogood died before this honour could be bestowed.

Peter Crawshaw presented the citation for Lyn's nomination. In addition to Lyn's tireless and meticulous research related to the former Glebe/Forest Lodge residents (of all calibres), property history and dramatized mayoral history, Lyn played a major role in presenting TGS workshops on 'Who lived in your house?' and the Villas exhibition at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. He also noted that Lyn is a long term member of the Heritage Sub-Committee and carries out considerable behind the scenes work responding to website enquiries.

The nomination was approved by acclamation.

## **9. Guest Speaker**

The guest speaker was Keiran Kevans, Co-ordinator of the Glebe Youth Service. In addition to Keiran's outline of the programs, services and challenges facing the centre, two participants at the Youth Centre spoke of their personal experience and the impact the service had on their lives.

## **10. Other Business**

Mark thanked people for their support for the event:

- Judy and Phil Vergison
- Alice Simpson-Young, Jarrah Cohen and Virginia Simpson-Young
- Phil Young
- Allan Hogan
- Jude Paul and Ted McKeown
- Keiran Kevans

In closing Mark noted that The Glebe Society's key concerns are our community, environment and heritage and connection with the people, who live, work, learn and play in Glebe. He wished participants good health, safety and security in the year ahead and closed the meeting at 12.15pm.