

**Y Service Clubs International. - Australian Region Inc.**

**Reg. No. A0023483B**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held by Zoom on Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020.

Regional Director Bill Schmidt, welcomed all to the Regional AGM via Zoom and declared the meeting open at 1300 hrs.

Area President David Lua said he welcomes us to this AGM and sends warm greetings on behalf of the 3,700 strong membership in the Asia Pacific Area. He took the opportunity to recognize the contribution of many past leaders in the Region.

Immediate Past International President Jennifer Jones said it was a pleasure to attend and also welcome you to the Regional Conference via Zoom, congratulated RD Bill Schmidt who has ably led the Australian Region over the past 3 years during challenging times.

Regional Director Bill Schmidt then presented IPIP Jennifer with a Golden Book Award on behalf of the Australian Region.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am with Regional Director Bill Schmidt in the chair.

**1. Present were:**

Asia Pacific Area President – David Lua

Y Service Club of Adelaide – Russell Jones, IPIP Jennifer Jones.

Y Service Club of Ballarat- Brian Richie (RS), Noel Hooper, Peter Glover, Murray Stevens.

Y Service Club of Bendigo – Rob Green, Colin Lambie.

Y Service Club of Bendigo South- Peter Unmack, Shirley Unmack

Y Service Club of Broken Hill:- Ron Symons

Y Service Club of Canberra- Sebastian Mathew, Rohith Radhakrishnar.

Y Service Club of Kangaroo Flat – Ron Buchan, , Wayne Cameron (Regional Director), Janet Berry, Bill Schmidt (Immediate Past Regional Director), John Pontefract (Regional Treasurer) , Christine Van Der Zee, David Alexander.

Y Service Club Women: Michelle Janssen (Regional Director)

Bendigo: Eva Chalmer, Nance Sparkes, Jeannie Turnbull

Kangaroo Flat: Joy McNamara.

Apologies: Ron Farquhar, Leigh Ditchfield, Ian Pym, Bill Browning, Peg Kearns, Lyal Hill  
Lindsay Nicholls, Geoff Webb

Apologies were received on a motion moved by Ron Symons and seconded by John Pontefract. Carried.

2. Voting Delegates,  
Adelaide, Russell Jones.  
Ballarat, Peter Glover  
Bendigo, Robin Green  
Bendigo South, Peter Unmack  
Canberra, Sebastian Mathew  
Kangaroo Flat, Janet Berry.  
Regional Director, Bill Schmidt  
RDE, Wayne Cameron  
Regional Treasurer, John Pontefract.  
Regional Secretary, Brian Richie  
Regional Director, Y Service Women. Michelle Janssen  
Northern District Governor, Ron Symons

3. The minutes of the last meeting held in Kangaroo Flat on Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> 2019 were received on a Motion; that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on October 5<sup>th</sup> 2019 at Kangaroo Flat be received , . Moved , Janet Berry, Seconded , Sebastian Mathew.  
Carried

Business arising; Nil

RD Bill Schmidt vacated the chair and IPIP Jennifer Jones then took the Chair:

4. Treasurer's report.  
Treasurer John Pontefract spoke to the report outlining that;  
Some of the payments shown were paid in July. Actual result -\$5247.17  
Fees: International \$54.00 - Area \$12.00 – Region \$30 – Total \$96.00.

Motion; Moved by John Pontefract and seconded by Janet Berry that the treasurer's report be received. Carried.

Auditors report.  
Motion. Moved by John Pontefract and seconded by David Alexander, that the auditor's report be received and a letter of appreciation be sent. Carried.

Budget for 2020 – 2021 reported on by Treasurer John Pontefract.  
We have a debit of \$9,500 debit carried forward from 2019-2020 leaving us with projected debit of \$15,100.

Motion: Moved John Pontefract, Seconded Robin Green that the budget be received. Carried.

Dues: Motion: Moved John Pontefract, Seconded, Ron Symons that the Regional dues be \$30 per year. Carried.

IPIP Jennifer Jones then handed the chair back to RD Bill Schmidt

Elections:

Motion: Moved Russell Jones , Seconded Christine Van Der Zee that Wayne Cameron be appointed Regional Director for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Carried

Brian Richie as Secretary and John Pontefract as Treasurer were confirmed at the 2019 AGM till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.

Motion: Moved John Pontefract, seconded Janet Berry that Gary Buchanan be appointed Auditor. Carried.

## 5. Reports.

RD Bill Schmidt spoke on his submitted report.

Well aware of difficulties and challenges during the second half of the year, encouraged by the activities of clubs during these times with Zoom taking the place of many meetings. John Pontefract has accepted the role of Area Treasurer and I congratulate him on your behalf.

Please consider your situation and participate if asked to partake in Leadership roles in Club, Region and Area it could be vital to our existence.

Congratulations to Jennifer Jones for her contribution to the role of International President 2019/20, coping with the restrictions caused by COVID -19 made it more difficult Well done.

To RD Michelle Janssen and the members of the Y's Menettes/Women's Clubs your ongoing support is really appreciated.

My thanks to all who have contributed in any way to the ongoing success of the Australian Region over the past 2 years. I know that you will support RD Wayne and his team as best you can.

Motion: Moved Wayne Cameron, Seconded Robin Green. That the Regional Directors report be received. Carried.

## 6. Reports Submitted by RSD's

RD Wayne Cameron spoke on his submitted report

This year has seen many changes to our operation of the Australian Region. The lockdown of operation has made it difficult for Clubs to operate.

Regular Zoom meetings are now the norm in the Region and Clubs.

Communication on what is happening will be sent to Club Presidents, Club Secretaries/Club Contacts and individual members as required, and via the Website which is updated regularly on International and Area matters.

Several RSD's spoke on their submitted reports.

Colin Lambie spoke on Green Energy and the YMCA.

Motion: Moved Peter Unmack , Seconded Sebastian Mathew that the reports both verbal and tabled be received. Carried.

Discussion Items:

1. I.C. Howard Scholarship

After discussion the members felt that:

- a. Members felt that we were not getting value from supporting this project.
- b. With a declining membership it is more difficult to fund this project.

Motion: We contact the YMCA advising them that due to dwindling numbers we find we are unable to contribute to the I.C. Howard/Y International Scholarship Fund and attach the balance of our funds to them.

Moved by Ron Buchan Seconded by Robin Green.

After further discussion re distribution of funds.

Amendment to the motion. We contact the YMCA advising them that due to dwindling numbers we are unable to contribute to the I.C. Howard/Y International Scholarship Fund and that we pay the \$5000 this year and the \$3000 in 2 years time.

Moved Robin Green that the amendment be put.

The amendment was put and was passed and became the motion.

The Motion was put and carried.

The Motion is now to go to the Clubs as a postal vote.

2. Region supporting the club donations to meet Region Goals.

After discussion :

Motion: That we only contribute what funds are received from clubs.

Moved Russell Jones and seconded Peter Unmack Carried.

3. Region Contribute to Legacy Project.

After discussion on the Legacy Program and what its idea is to raise US\$1 million dollars. One way is for club members and friends to support the project with a voluntary contribution of USD 30 over 3 years.

Letter is to be written by Jennifer Jones to all clubs seeking support and giving the process on how to donate.

Meeting closed at 1625 hrs.

