

# **THE BURGHER ASSOCIATION (AUSTRALIA) INC (BAA).**

## **The Minutes of the 2020 AGM, held at the BAA Centre**

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021 with Hermann Loos presiding**

The President (Hermann Loos) declared the meeting open 7.03pm after announcing that the attendance of eligible members (17 members) had exceeded the quorum. He welcomed those present.

He then addressed the items on the agenda.

#### **ITEM 1 To confirm the minutes of the 2019 AGM.**

Since the minutes were circulated to the member in the AGM Notice dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 they were considered read. Members were asked if they wished to query any concerns regarding the minutes, as there was no response, the silence was assumed to be a unanimous acceptance of the minutes, which was received and adopted on the motion proposed by Mrs Breedaa Foenander seconded Mr Neville Davidson

#### **ITEM 2 To confirm from the Committee of Management reports of the transactions of the Association over the preceding financial year (2019-2020)**

Once again since the Annual Report addressing this topic was sent to the members in the notice dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 it was taken as read, in the absence of any queries on the contents of this report, it was approved on a proposal by Mrs Carol Loos and seconded by Mr Harvey Foenander.

#### **ITEM 3 To receive and adopt the Audited Financial Statement for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020 pursuant to Section 30 (3) of the Associations Incorporation Act.**

This report was also made available to the Members in the AGM Notice dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020. The President Hermann Loos inquired if there were any questions on the contents of this report, as there were no queries from any member of the audience it was approved on a proposal by Mr Neville Davidson seconded by Mrs Rowena Hamlett.

Hermann Loos stated that Mrs Tamaris Lourensz and Mr Bert Van Geyzel have left our committee and we wish them good health and an early retirement and all the success in the future.

Hermann also stated that there has been a slight decline in Hall Hirers for this year over last year, this mainly due to the Corona virus pandemic we all experienced in Victoria over the past year in 2020. However we hope that our Hall hires will pick up in the next few months as the restrictions get lifted and we get back close to normal. At this moment the signs are looking very good on our Hall Hires as we are getting many people enquiring about hiring the hall as they feel restrictions are getting lifted. We also saw a steep decline in the fund raising events over the past year again due to the pandemic, we hope to commence these events effective April 2021

#### **Item 4 To elect an Honorary Auditor for the ensuing Financial Year 2020-2021**

Hermann put it to the members to retain the services Ms Desyana Wijaya Auditor BBus (Accounting) CPA MBA, to do our auditing of the accounts for the year 2020-2021, this recommendation was accepted by all present.

#### **ITEM 5 To discuss proposed resolutions/amendments to the rules (if any):**

There were no resolutions/amendments raised.

#### **ITEM 6 To elect Officers of the Association and Members of the Committee**

As there were no contested positions for the Officers and Members of the General Committee, All nominated persons were requested to sign and accept the nomination forms received at the January 2021 General Committee Meeting.

The above saw the following take office for the year 2020-2021

## **OFFICE BEARERS**

President	Hermann Loos
Vice President	Fallon de Zilwa
Honorary Secretary	Harvey Foenander
Honorary Assist Secretary	Rita Van Geyzel
Honorary Treasurer	VACANT
Honorary Assist Treasurer	Ashley Henricus
Editor	Neville Davidson
Customer Relations Manager	Breeda Foenander
Public Relations Manager	Elaine Jansz

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Committee Member	Carol Loos
Committee Member	Hans de Zilwa
Committee Member	Terry Backhouse
Committee Member	Helen Backhouse
Committee Member	VACANT
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## **ITEM 7 To discuss any other business of which due notice has been given to the Committee of Management in accordance with the rules**

Hermann put to the member's present taking that fund raising events were almost non existence in the past year due to the pandemic, the BAA has taken the view that all sponsorships/donations excluding the sponsorships of children in their education via the DBU in Sri Lanka will not take place until we get back to normal as before the pandemic and we can have and raise funds via the fund raising events.

As there was no further business to discuss or issued raised by those present, the President declared the AGM closed at 7.30pm

Hermann invited the members present to join the committee in some light refreshments.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm

Harvey Foenander	Harvey Foenander	Hermann Loos	Hermann Loos
Outgoing Secretary	Incoming Secretary	Outgoing President	Incoming President