



WOMEN'S HEALTH IN THE SOUTH EAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020

MINUTES

Date: Thursday the 22nd of October 2020 at 4.30pm

Location: By Online Videoconference (as advised- Zoom)

In attendance: As per attachment

Apologies: Frank Megens (KWRHS), George Robinson (CBCHS)

Meeting opened at 4.35pm

Item 1: Welcome by Kit McMahon , WHISE CEO (MC)

With quorum in attendance, the MC for the AGM, Kit McMahon, formally opened the meeting.

Kit welcomed everyone to the 2020 Annual General Meeting and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which we meet and paid her respects to their elders past and present.

The AGM welcomed local singer and songwriter Kye who provided a performance.

Item 2: Apologies

The following apologies were noted by the MC.

- Frank Megens (KWRHS),
- George Robinson (CBCHS)

Item 3: Minutes of the 2019 AGM

The Minutes of the 2018 AGM were presented with no amendments being proposed they were accepted as an accurate and true record.

Resolution: *That the minutes of the 2018 WHISE AGM be accepted*

Carried.

Item 4: Approval of Annual Report

Presentation of Annual Report – Robinette Emonson Chair

The Chair of the Board, Robinette Emonson presented her report noting the achievements over the last 12 months.

Resolution: *That the Annual Report for Women's Health in the South East Inc 2017-2018 as presented is approved.*

Moved: Robinette Emonson

Carried.

Item 5: Receipt of Accounts and Reports

Finance Report – Sinfree Chirunga (Treasurer)

The Treasurer presented the audit report on behalf of the Board for the year 2019-2020. Ms Chirunga noted the auditor's report for the financial year reported was unqualified and that the organisation finished in a positive position with strong equity. The treasurer presented the report in the Annual Report concluding that the organisation was an ongoing concern.

Further to this, the accounts for the year were formally presented for approval by members.

Resolution: *That the financial report of the Board and the audited statements of the accounts for the year ended 30 June 2020 be received and accepted by members.*

Moved: Sinfree Chirunga

Carried.

Key Note Address: A presentation and key note address was made by Journalist, author and leading commentator Catherine Fox on women and the workforce.

Item 6: Election of new Board Members

The CEO put forward the next item for member's consideration, the acceptance of the nominations for the Board of WHISE. In putting forward the nominations for 2019-2020 the CEO noted that the nominations and election of the Board were conducted in accordance with the Constitution of WHISE and the Incorporations Act of Victoria

Noting this, the CEO advised the members that to run the election and nomination process, WHISE had appointed a returning officer, Jean Elderton who advised that on 7th September 2020 a Notice of Election was sent, with a Nomination Form, to every member on the Certified List as at 30.6.2020. Further on the 22nd September 2020 at 4.00pm nominations ceased to be accepted. The number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies to be filled.

The WHISE Returning Officer – Jean Elderton – has declared that:

The nominations listed below were received by me before the close of nominations for the election to the Board for the Women's Health in The South East Incorporated

As the number of nominations received does not exceed the number of vacancies to be filled, I declare these persons to be elected to the Board under the Regulations of the WHISE Constitution.

Resolution: *That the following nominations for the Board of WHISE are accepted.*

- *Kerry Bradley*
- *Reena Dahiya*

- *Susie Siggins*

Moved: Robinette Emonson

Carried.

It was noted that Kerry, Reena and Susie will join the following Directors on the WHISE Board:

- Robinette Emonson (Chair)
- Camilla Radia-George (Vice-Chair)
- Sinfree Chirunga (Treasurer)
- Katherine Dennis
- Marg Darcy

Note of Thanks and Gratitude Rhiannon Matthews

The AGM noted that this meeting marked the end of term for much admired Director, Rhiannon Matthews. Rhiannon joined the Board of WHISE in October 2019 for her second term, and has served our organisation over 8 years, through a time of significant change and evolution.

The CEO on behalf of the Board, staff and partners thanked Rhiannon for her leadership and service to WHISE.

Performance: The AGM invited local singer/songwriter Kye to perform a closing performance.

With no other business the Annual Gender Meeting closed at 5.40pm

IN ATTENDANCE

Kit	McMahon (CEO)
Kerry	Bradley (Director)
Susie	Siggins (Director)
Camilla	Radia-George (Vice-Chair)
Hannah	Opeskin
Krissy	Nicholson
Amrit	Kaur
Zoe	Francis (Staff)
Nik	Filips
Andrea	Minca
Lena	Brukarz
Jess	Dawson
Priya	Akula
Rosemary	Burrell
Jodie	Belyea
Lisa	Moore
Samantha	Hewitson
Ann	Marsh
Wendy	Liu
Paula	Hernandez (Staff)
Sarah	Lorrimar
Aileen	Thoms
Robinette	Emonson (Chair)
Julie	Hurrell
Aly	Madden
Lucie	Magill (Staff)
Stephen	Sparrow
Helen	Keleher
Julie	Stecher
Reena	Dahiya (Director)
Laura	Ardley (Staff)
Hayden	Brown
Megan	Gill
Catherine	Hannon
Caroline	Bell
Jennifer	Ockwell
Amanda	Kelly
Jess	Elsworth (Staff)
Shazia	Khanum
Deb	Pugsley (Staff)
Allison	Wainwright

Joy	Walker
Gemma	Paton
Anne	Clancy
Katherine	Dennis (Director)
Sinfree	Chirunga (Treasurer)
Abigail	Weller
Rebecca	Strange
Deb	Stuart
Sonya	Kilkenny
Hayat	Doughan
Doseda	Hetherington (Staff)
Liz	Billings
Andrea	Minca
Rahima	Rizai
Tina	Zacharis
Carolyn	Eccleston
Ruth	Fox
Eshana	Pusegoda
Kaylie	Pert
Heliena	Mrad
Kylie (Kye)	Chirunga (Performer)
Catherine	Fox (Speaker)
Rahima	Rizai
Noush	Willow
Hayden	Brown
Kate	Brodie
Marg	D'Arcy (Director)