



Australian Association of Friends of Botanic Gardens Inc.

Minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting The Benalla Performing Arts and Conference Centre

Sunday 22nd April 2018 at 12:25pm

Welcome Dennis Ayliffe, AAFBG President, welcomed everyone present and opened the Annual General Meeting.

Present Dennis Ayliffe, Lynden Ayliffe, Elizabeth Gilfillan, Tim Gilfillan, Kathy Wright, Beth Dixon, Raoul Dixon, Lesley Jackman, Elizabeth Thompson, Bodo Jensen, Helen Page, Joh Zwar, Philip Moors, Jill Bentley, Janet Thomson, Annie McGeachy, Julie Barrie, Ellen Crocker, Pat Varley, Jill Grant, Stuart Read, John Barrie, Collier Mc Cracken, John Hawker, Florence Treverrow, Jean Partridge, Alan Partridge, Liz Baraclough, Michael Baraclough, Helen Elliot, Annette Irish, Alex Smart OAM, Vicki Glover, Murray Fletcher, Janet O'Hehir, Robyn Saunders, John Bentley, Lisa Tuck, Mark Tuck, Anne Rawson, Margaret Bourke, Max Bourke AM

Apologies Friends of: Southern Highlands, Noosa, Gold Coast, Malmesbury, Wombat Hill, Sydney Ro Noone (AO), Pat Wright, Warwick Wright (Canberra), Mary Warne (Melb), Kate Heffernan Gold Coast), Adam Woodham (Noosa), Karen Hulston, Jane Salmon (Melb)
Moved: Annette Irish Seconded: John Bentley Carried

- Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held on 20th May 2017, having been distributed, were confirmed.
Moved: To accept the previous minutes - John Bentley
Seconded: Max Bourke AM Carried
- President's Report** Dennis Ayliffe read the President's report as attached.
Moved: To accept the President's Report for 2017 - Helen Elliot
Seconded: Max Bourke AM Carried
- Secretary's Report:** Elizabeth Gilfillan read her Secretary's report as attached.
Moved: To accept the Secretary's Report for 2017/18 - Elizabeth Gilfillan
Seconded: Annette Irish Carried
- Financial Statements:** Kathy Wright presented the AAFBG Financials for year ending 31st March 2018. Moved: To accept the Financial Report Kathy Wright
Seconded: Max Bourke AM Carried

Membership Subscription Fees for 2017 – 18

Dennis Ayliffe acknowledged that the recommendation from the treasurer's report the proposed membership subscription rates for 2019

Up to 100 Members - \$50
101 – 250 Members - \$75
251 – 500 Members - \$150
501 – 1000 Members - \$250
1000+ Members - \$400

Seconded by Helen Elliot. Carried

5. **Election of AAFBG Committee for 2018 – 2019**

Dennis Ayliffe stated that no committee resignations were received for 2018-2019 and declared all positions vacant

The chair was vacated and John Hawker was invited to conduct the Election of Officers of the Committee of Management for 2018-19.

John Hawker thanked Dennis and the AAFBG committee for all the hard work over the past year and thanked Robyn with the Friends of Benalla for a wonderful weekend.

The following nominations were received and read:

Dennis Ayliffe - FoANBG	President
Elizabeth Gilfillan - FoBBG	Secretary
Kathy Wright. - FoRBG,Melb.	Treasurer

Without other nominations for Officers of the Committee, John Hawker declared the AAFBG Committee Officers for 2018 –19 duly elected as follows:

Dennis Ayliffe - FoANBG	President
Elizabeth Gilfillan - FoBBG	Secretary
Kathy Wright. - FoRBG, Melb.	Treasurer

John Hawker continued to the election of Ordinary Members of Committee. The following nominations were received:

John Bentley. FoMBG.	Ordinary member
Max Bourke AM FoNAC	Ordinary member
Bodo Jensen. FoBGA	Ordinary member
Murray Fletcher FoOBG.	Ordinary member
Annette Irish FoBBG&SA	Ordinary member
Robyn Saunders FoBBG	Ordinary Member

Without other nominations for Ordinary Members of Committee, John Hawker confirmed their positions as duly elected.

Dennis Ayliffe thanked John Hawker then continued to conduct the AGM as President for 2018/19,

Without further committee nominations and vacancies, Dennis invited members from the floor to consider the role of Vice President or ordinary committee member.

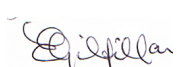
- John Bentley accepted the role of Vice President. Dennis thanked John for stepping into this role.
- Janet O’Herir offered to become a member. Position Seconded by John Bentley.

6. **General Business**

No items brought to the floor.

Meeting Closed 12.55pm

Signed: President: Dennis Ayliffe Date:  14.5.2018

Secretary: Elizabeth Gilfillan Date:  14.5.2018