

**Australian Local Government Women's Association
New South Wales Inc.**

**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

7 May 2007

Lismore

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

President Cr. Susan Page declared the meeting opened at 1.40 pm and welcomed all in attendance.

2. APOLOGIES

1-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Vicki King seconded Shirley Walsh that apologies be accepted from Pam McCrae, Kathy Seward, Kaele Way, Barbara Gapps.

**2. ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS AS PRINTED IN THE
ASSOCIATION'S CONSTITUTION**

2.6.5.7 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Sue Whelan and Seconded Norma Thomas that the Standing Orders as printed in the Association's Constitution be adopted.

3. APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER

3-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Darriea Turley Seconded Bev Laing that the appointment of Isabele Perdriau as Returning Officer be ratified.

4. APPOINTMENT OF TIMEKEEPER

4- 6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Susan Page Seconded Gwen Griffen that Christine Jeffreys be appointed as the Timekeeper.

5. RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Returning Officer reported results of the election:

President:	Susan Page
Secretary:	Christine Jeffreys
Treasurer	Jenny Leckey
Country Vice President:	Norma Thomas
City Vice President	Julie Griffiths
Immediate Past President	Darriea Turley

Executive Committee

Shirley Walsh, Denise Wilton, Bev Laing, Joyce Wheatley, Jenny Dowell, Fiona Rossiter, Gwen Griffen, Jackie Greenow, Fadwa Kebbe

5-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Susan Page and Seconded Cr. Jackie Greenow that the Returning Officer's Report be received.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Vicki King requested an amendment to the Minutes to read '*Vicky King declared a perceived conflict of interest as a Shareholder of Bosco Accounting and did not participate in the debate or vote*'.

6-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Normal Thomas Seconded Jennifer Leckey that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 5 May 2006 at Coonabarabran be confirmed.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

7. REPORTS

7.1 President's Report

The President Susan Page distributed the President's Report in the Business Paper.

7-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Fadwa Kebbe Seconded Jackie Greenow that the President's report be received.

7.2 Auditor's Report

The Auditor's Report was distributed with the Business Paper.

8-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Joyce Wheatley Seconded Jan Mangelson that the Auditor's Report be adopted.

7.3 Appointment of Auditor

Vicki King declared a perceived conflict of interest and did not participate in the discussion or vote.

9-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Joyce Wheatley Seconded Jenny Dowell that the Bosco Accounting be appointed as Auditor be adopted.

10-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Shirley Walsh Seconded Sue Whelan that the membership fees remain at \$66 and associate membership at \$ 33. Further, that the President, Treasurer and Vice President ~ City are authorised to sign cheques.

7.3 ALGWA National Board Report - Presented by Darriea Turley

Darriea Turley reported on activities of the National Board and also the proposed restructure of Board members.

11-6.05.07 RESOLVED on the **MOTION** of Sue Whelan Seconded Raewyn Bastion that:

1. The National Board return to individual states be put forward for consideration
2. All NSW ALGWA members be surveyed before the Executive makes a decision

12-6.05.06 RESOLVED on the **MOTION** of Darriea Turley Seconded Norma Thomas that the National Board Report be received.

7. NOTICES OF MOTIONS of which due notice has been received

Amendment to Constitution Item 10 – Quorum

Moved by: Darriea Turley

Seconded by: Kathy Seward

Constitution currently reads:

10.1 a A quorum for an Annual General Meeting and/or an extraordinary meeting must be equal to a discrete number, which is at least 1/3 of the numbers of financial members belonging to the Association at the time of the meeting.

10.1 b A quorum for an Executive Meeting shall be five (5).

Relace with:

10.1 a No item of business may be conducted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these Rules to vote is present at the time when the meeting is considering that item.

10.1 b Ten (10) members personally present (being members entitled under these Rules to vote at a general meeting) constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business of a general meeting.

10.1 c If, within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting, a quorum is not present

- (i) In the case of a meeting convened upon the request of members — the meeting must be dissolved; and
- (ii) In any other case--the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and (unless another place is specified by the Chairperson at the time of the adjournment or by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place.

10.1 d If at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the members (entitled under these Rules to vote) personally present being not less than 3 shall be a quorum.

10.1 e A quorum for an Executive Meeting shall be five (5).

13-6.05.07 **AMENDMENT** to the **MOTION** was moved by Vicki King seconded by Raewyn Bastion that at least fifteen (15) members personally present (being members entitled under these Rules to vote at a general meeting) constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business of a general meeting, and also that item 10.1d be removed.

The **AMENDMENT** was **PUT**.

The **AMENDMENT** was **CARRIED** and therefore became the Substantive Motion.

8. NOTICE OF MOTION FROM CONFERENCE

Motion 1 – Protection Agreements

14-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Julie Griffiths, seconded Christine Jeffreys that the ALGWA calls upon all NSW Local Government Councils to endorse Referral Agreements to stay within the NSW Industrial Relations system and protecting Local Government workers

Motion 2 – Child Care Review

15-6.05.07 **RESOLVED** on the **MOTION** of Julie Griffiths, seconded Christine Jeffreys that ALGWA call upon State and Federal Governments to fund and conduct the following:

- Cost Benefit analysis
- Needs Analysis
- Quality of Care Analysis

And that this report should be circulated to all relevant Departments upon completion.

Motion 3 – Childcare Planning

MOVED by Julie Griffiths, seconded by Christine Jeffreys that ALGWA seeks a planning review of Development Applications for new Childcare Centres and given Councils the power to refused applications based on needs for the Local Government Area. We seek support from the State Government.

16-6.05.07 **AMENDMENT** to the **MOTION** was moved by Helen Westwood seconded by Phyllis Miller that the executive consider the social impact current childcare provision throughout NSW that has led to current childcare places not meeting the very diverse childcare needs of families throughout NSW

The **AMENDMENT** was **PUT**.

The **AMENDMENT** was **CARRIED** and therefore became the Substantive Motion.

Motion 4 - Participation of Younger Women

17-6.05.07 RESOLVED on the **MOTION** of Raewyn Bastion, seconded Sue Whelan that the Executive of ALGWA NSW investigate strategies to increase participation of women and particularly younger women in this organisation and report back to members on a quarterly basis via the regular newsletter.

Motion 5 – Climate Change

18-6.05.07 RESOLVED on the **MOTION** of Julie Griffiths, seconded by Lynette Elsegood that the ALGWA Conference and Executive write to the Premier, Hon. Morris Iemma, Minister for Climate Change, Hon Phil Koperberg and Hon. Paul Lynch, Minister for Local Government to urgently act on climate change by facilitating:

- a) The necessary changes to legislation / policies or any other mechanism that unnecessarily restricts the use / installation of rain water tanks, solar energy, grey water re-use etc
- b) Provision of financial assistance through subsidies/loans or any other means to provide equity of access to these options.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

19-6.05.07 RESOLVED on the **MOTION** of Vicki King seconded Sue Whelan that congratulations be extended to Helen Westwood on her election to State Parliament – carried unanimously

11. CLOSE

There being no further business, the meeting closed the time being 3.25 pm

I certify that these 5 pages are the Confirmed Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW) held on 5 May 2007 at Lismore.

Chairperson

Date