



Noosa & District Landcare Group Inc
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Thursday 19th October 2017
Futures Centre, 65 Pavilion Street, Pomona 4568
MINUTES

Phil Moran opened the meeting at 3:15 pm, welcomed attendees and introduced Lyn Willett. Lyn addressed the meeting on the subject of her botanical art that was on display.

Luke Barrowcliffe acknowledged the traditional owners and elders past and present of the Cooloola and Kabi Kabi people as custodians of the land where the meeting was being held.

Luke Barrowcliffe took the Chair.

Attendance and Apologies

Attendance as per attendance sheet.

Apologies: Cr. Jess Glasgow
Cr. Jenny McKay
Pat Spicer
Darryl Ebenezer
Narelle McCarthy
Cr. Tony Wellington

Minutes of previous AGM

Geoff Black presented the minutes of the previous AGM held on 28th October 2016.

Moved Geoff Black, seconded Melanie Hassall, "that the minutes of the previous AGM be accepted".
Carried.

Chair's Report: Luke Barrowcliffe.

See Annual Report. Luke said that it appears the work of the organisation in restructuring and updating procedures is beginning to pay off. We have had to deliver large projects that have challenged our capacity. Luke is optimistic that the year ahead we will continue to deliver on community engagement, environmental benefits and as an employer. Luke thanked everyone who had contributed.

Treasurer's Report incorporating Auditor's Report: Dick Barnes.

See Annual Report. Dick pointed out that 2016/17 had been a year of two halves financially with revenue shortfalls in the first half continuing trends in the previous two difficult years. However the second half saw a return to profitability and he is confident this trend can be continued. Revenue has risen considerably but managing costs continues to be an area to improve. Dick also pointed out that there had been progress towards diversifying into other types of projects as well as field work.

Moved, Dick Barnes, seconded Phil Moran, "that the Treasurer's Report and the Financial Statements and Audit Report for the year ending 30 June 2016 be accepted". Carried.

Business Development Report: Rachel Lyons.

See Annual Report. Rachel outlined some of the major achievements including projects, scientific activities, nursery production and grant outcomes achieved during 2016/17.

General Manager's Report: Phil Moran.

See Annual Report. Phil spoke of the changed funding environment over the more than 25 years NDLG has existed, the employment and career development it has provided, the environmental outcomes achieved in terms of land rehabilitated by weed removal and revegetation and the engagement with the community, private landholders and the tourism sector that we are continually trying to build. He thanked Noosa Council for their support and the volunteers and staff for their efforts.

Election of new committee

Luke Barrowcliffe announced that the management committee would now stand down and asked Ian Mackay to take the chair to conduct the election of a new committee for the coming year.

Ian took the chair. He said that the Mary River Catchment Coordinating Committee is very happy to be associated with NDLG as one of a number of local community based environment organisations that have a common purpose, cooperate and have complementary functions.

Ian read out the nominations for the Management Committee.

The nominees were: Melanie Hassall, Dick Barnes, Kim Barnes, Paul Steels, Phil Moran, Luke Barrowcliffe and Geoff Black. Moved: Brian Stockwell "as the number of nominations is equal to the number of vacancies on the committee that if there were no objections, the nominees all be elected". Seconded, Paul Ryan. Carried.

The new management committee announced that the office bearers would remain as previously ie:

- Chair – Luke Barrowcliffe
- Vice-Chair – Kim Barnes
- Secretary – Geoff Black
- Treasurer – Dick Barnes

Luke Barrowcliffe thanked Ian Mackay.

Appointment of Auditor

Moved: Dick Barnes, "that Simon Green (Levert Audit Services Pty. Ltd.) be appointed as auditor for the coming year". Seconded, Melanie Hassall. Carried.

Other business

Presentation by Dr Ian Gynther, Senior Conservation Officer, Department of Heritage Protection.

Ian described the methodology and current status of the project supported by NDLG to search for and rehabilitate habitat for Coxen's fig parrot in SE Queensland.

Phil Moran thanked Ian Gynther for his presentation and mentioned that he would be conducting a workshop on threatened species in Queensland after this meeting.

Closing Remarks: Luke Barrowcliffe

Luke thanked everyone for their contributions to a successful year for the organisation and for their attendance today.

Meeting closed 4:30pm.