



ASLIA VICTORIA

ASLIA Vic 22nd Annual General Meeting Minutes

*Venue: Deaf Children Australia
597 St Kilda Road Melbourne
Friday 21st November 2008, 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm*

1. Opening and Welcome

Sandra Leane welcomed everyone to the Meeting on behalf of Cindy Cave.

Welcome to our special guest Mr. JC Southwell, Brent Phillips of Deaf Sports Australia and Mr. Kyle Miers – Deaf Australia President

2. Roll Call

See attendance list

3. Apologies

Tamara Doyle-Bates, Marianne Bridge, Karen Clare, Therese Pierce, Teresa Cumpston Bird, (additional apologies as per overhead)

4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Twenty-First Annual General Meeting

Moved – Sandra Leane. Seconded Susan Emerson. Carried

5. Business arising from the minutes

None

6. General Business

6.1 President's Report and adoption.

As tabled in the Annual Report -

Cindy would like to inform the meeting that she would be here if she could! Unfortunately Cindy cannot be here and she sends her greetings and hopes we have a wonderful time. Special thanks to Susan Emerson for all the projects she has been involved in during the past year. Thanks also to Meredith Bartlett for her hard work in the Treasurers role. Also thanks to Kim Saxton and Marianne Bridge and Julie Judd for their hard work supporting the committee. Carla Anderson and Ross Onley-Zerkel for their work with the DRI committee. Huge thanks also to Eliza Allen for her wonderful support with catering. Julie and Susan have been successful in being able to secure funds for projects – VRI and Regional Workshops.

Sandi outlined the highlights for 2008 as outlined in the Annual report along with outlining the future goals of ASLIA Vic and asked for member involvement next year. Special thanks to the “champions” of ASLIA Vic – Shane Mundy, Christopher Hansford, Sandra Remedio, Melanie Pratt, Teresa Cumpston Bird Paul Heuston, Medina Sumovic, Peter Miller, Ashleigh (NMIT) Khang Chiem, Marc Curtis, Nicole Gook. Thanks to our sponsors – DHS, Deaf Children Australia, NAATI, NABS, Auslan Services as well as many others!

Sandi moved that this report be accepted, Seconded by Carla Anderson. Carried.

6.2 Treasurer’s Report and adoption – Meredith Bartlett

The Annual report outlines the details of the financial report for 07/08.

Meredith moved that the treasurer’s report be accepted, seconded by John Flynn. Carried.

Question from Kim Saxton- VRI Project end date – answered by Julie Judd – the project will be completed by the end of January 2009.

Reminder – Bank deposits for membership fees – please ensure you place your name together with your deposit for ease of identifying payments.

6.3 Election of Auditor

John Flynn proposed that Rob Bartlett be appointed as auditor for the coming year.

Discussion ensued regarding the possible perception of conflict of interest in having Meredith’s husband continue to be our auditor.

Meredith outlined the new regulations related to auditing any association, and that the cost of a qualified person (if one would agree to do the job) to do this work would be at least a few thousand dollars.

Kim Saxton moved a motion that “ASLIA Vic appoint Rob Bartlett in the position of Auditor for the coming year of 2009 and investigate other possibilities for the year 2010”.

Seconded Teresa Paulet. Carried

7. Elections

John Flynn took over the chair to oversee the nominations and appointments of President and Vice President.

John acknowledged Cindy and Sandi for their marvelous leadership of the organisation.

Nomination for President – Cynthia Cave - Nominated by Susan Emerson, Seconded by Karen Clare.

(No other nominations received) Congratulations to Cynthia Cave.

Nomination for Vice President – Sandra Leane – nominated by Susan Emerson, seconded by Cynthia Cave.

(No other nominations received) Congratulations to Sandra Leane

Nomination for Treasurer – Meredith Bartlett Nominated by Cynthia Cave, Seconded Susan Emerson. (No other nominations received). Congratulations to Meredith Bartlett

Nomination for Secretary – Susan Emerson. Nominated by Cynthia Cave, Seconded by Karen Clare

Nomination for Committee Member – Stephanie Linder, Nominated by Susan Emerson, Seconded by Cynthia Cave

Nomination for Committee Member – Carla Anderson, Nominated by Meredith Bartlett, Seconded by Susan Emerson.

Nomination for Committee Member – Julie Judd, Nominated by Ryan Gook, seconded by Ross Onley-Zerkel

Nomination for Committee Member – Ryan Gook, Nominated by Julie Judd, Seconded by Teresa Paulet

Nomination for Committee Member - Teresa Paulet. Nominated by Meredith Bartlett, Seconded by Carla Anderson.

Congratulations to the new ASLIA Vic committee for 2008/09

8. Vote of Thanks

9. Close of Meeting

Announcements:

1. Mentoring Project – Launch
2. ATB/ASLIA National
3. ANC 2009
4. DHS VRI Project
5. Awards 2008
6. Guest Speaker : JC Lloyd - Southwell

Julie Judd presented on the VRI project, sponsored by DHS. Both Julie and Mark Quinn are representatives on the Steering Committee. Julie attended a conference in Puerto Rico in October 2008 to gather information on developing the curriculum. Julie and Sandi also travelled to the USA for the same purpose. The draft copy of the curriculum is due mid December 2009. The final version is planned to be ready by mid January 2009.

Cathy Clark presented the information pertaining to the ANC 09 to be held in Melbourne, hosted by ASLIA Vic. Website is now available for all the information regarding the conference, call for papers, accommodation etc. The upcoming conference will be a 3 day conference (an additional day) Saturday to Monday.

Sandi presented information regarding the mentorship project and its evaluation. The launch of the project will be held on 10th December. Mentors and Mentees will be invited along with VCOD and those involved with supporting the mentorship program. The report has been put together brilliantly by Tamara Pearce. This program has provided a great deal of value to the mentors and the mentees. We hope to see this continue and expand into the future. If you would like a copy of the CD go to info@asliavic.com.au and request a copy of the report. Thanks to Tamara and Pip Cody, Jemina Napier (who monitored the evaluation process) Vicdeaf (financial support), Deafness Foundation (Financial Support), and Helen Smith McPherson (financial support).

Medina and Ryan Gook provided an entertaining presentation regarding the Interpreter Awards evening planned for 2009. The dinner will be held at Albert Park – Albert by the Lake - Saturday 30th May 6.30pm – 11.30pm. \$90.00 per person. Award categories will be the same as with the previous awards. The process for nominations will begin earlier than last year. Nominations begin on 23 February and close on 3rd April 2009 (for the 2008 year).