

# **WESTERN AUSTRALIA SELF FUNDED RETIREES Inc.**

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## **MINUTES - AGM**

Minutes of the fifteenth Annual General Meeting of WASFR Inc. held at the Cambridge Bowling Club, Howtree Place, Floreat, on Friday **9 AUGUST 2024**.

The President opened the meeting at 10.10 am and welcomed all those present (23 members and 5 visitors). He explained that this AGM is to be immediately followed by a short General meeting with the guest speaker scheduled to commence around 11am. The guest speaker for today is Professor Charlie Fox and he will be speaking about the History of the Claremont Mental Hospital. Having 2 formal meetings means that we need to get through the necessary formalities as quickly as possible.

### **APOLOGIES:**

V. Payne, R. & J. Dawson, A. Schipp and H. Ellis.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Moved I. Moller, seconded R. Wyatt, that the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 11 August 2023, be accepted as a true record. Carried.

The President asked if there was any specific business arising from these Minutes that couldn't be dealt with in the following General meeting. Acceptable to members.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

The President read out his report covering the activities of WA Self Funded Retirees Inc. over the past 12 months - copies are available to members. (a copy is attached to these Minutes).

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Treasurer, M. Harris, referred members to the Treasurer's report that had been circulated amongst members. M. Harris said that the small loss this year of \$420 was in contrast to the small profit of \$19 last year. This can, partly, be attributed to a lower membership base but was also affected by the cost of taking out a Public Liability Insurance policy. The Bowling Club's insurance policy does not cover organisations such as ours and, although the risks are minimal, we believe that such a policy is a worthwhile investment. Our Christmas Party each November does cost a bit but the Committee considers it is money well spent. The small charge of \$10 for each member will be repeated this year. These days many people are not carrying cash, however, we would like members to try and remember to bring along a few coins to support our small raffle and place a few coins in the bowl to defray the costs of providing morning tea.

Total equity as at 30 June 2024 amounted to \$6422.14. Rent has been paid up to the end of the year. Questions were invited but there were no questions from members.

Moved M. Harris, seconded P. Farr, that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:**

The President advised that, in accordance with Clause 9.6.1 of the Constitution, the Committee had appointed Mr. R. Wyatt to act as the Returning Officer for the purpose of conducting an election of Office Bearers for the 2024/25 year.

Mr. Wyatt then took the Chair and asked the meeting if there were any late nominations for positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with several Committee members.

As there were no further nominations, and that only one nomination had been received for the positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer, then the following members are duly appointed as follows

President: Mr. R. de Gruchy  
Secretary: M/s S. Goodchild  
Treasurer: M/s M. Harris

Note: There was no nomination for the position of Vice President.  
The Committee would consider any action necessary to fill this position.

There were 4 nominations for positions of Committee members, as follows

M/s M. Cresswell  
Mr. R. Ellis  
Mr. P. Farr,  
Mr. J. McPhail,  
who were duly appointed as Committee members.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

R. de Gruchy resumed the Chair and thanked all those present for their support. He reminded members that we still need people to volunteer for a position on the Committee. Whilst we have the essentials for a working Committee, there is no capacity to cover any unforeseen issues that can arise through holidays, or sickness.

Members were then asked if there were any particular matters arising from the Minutes of the 2023 AGM that they wished to discuss before closing this meeting and moving on to the General meeting. As no such matters were raised, the President closed the meeting at 10.25am.

Confirmed .....

Date .....

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