

Annual General Meeting (AGM) 01/11/2024

Held at Apex Park Community Centre

616 Burbridge Road West beach 5024

Attendees: Shaun Lorrain, Abi Foulkes, Tabitha Bohmer, Kit Yuan, Celeste Watkins, Kosta Zekirias, Thomas Trinh, Aaron Morony, Bob Harrap, Chris Hansford, Phoebe Dryden, Sarah McInnes, Donna Tomzak, David McGinlay, Brodie Healy, Jenny Richards, Michelle Hassett

Apologies: Le and Hung and interpreter who was booked.

Minutes taker: Tabitha Bohmer

Meeting opened: 10.10am

- Nominations to the board, Michelle Hassett, Jenny Richards, Colleen Braddick
Unanimously approved.

Acknowledgment of country.

Shaun Lorrain

Previous Minutes

Minutes of previous of AGM can be viewed on the website.

Moved the motion to accept the minutes from the AGM. **Seconded.** Colleen

Annual report on the website.

Acting chair update – Shaun Lorrain

- Gayle our new Finance Officer, welcomed to DRAS.
- Thanked the staff for their collective efforts. An admirable group of staff, all doing a great job.
- There have been some Issues with the pays, some getting double and or triple pay; clarification pending from Gayle.
- David ceased employment at DRAS, please find his final annual report on the website.
- Acknowledgment of multiple issues at the moment. Clarification pending.



Acting CEO report – Abi Foulkes

- Thanked everyone for coming and being patient with current events and maintaining a sense of humour.
- If anyone has any concerns regarding recent events, please do not hesitate to ask.
- Thanks, extended to the Board for assistance, the help has been invaluable. Thanked Shaun specifically, particularly with the banking, he is now on a first name basis with banking staff.
- CEO position has been advertised with several applicants, recruiting process is ongoing so Interim position is still current.
- Update will be provided at the staff meeting.

Financial report:

- Audit report from Peter Hall received. It has been recommended to engage an alternative auditor to conduct a forensic investigation of our financial affairs. Holdfast Accounting have been engaged.
Motion passed, seconded Michelle Hassett
- Discussion between Abi, Shaun and David regarding staff representation at Board meetings. Not previously permitted but agreed to at this time. All staff encouraged to apply. Interest shown by Gayle. Shaun stated it would be an appropriate venue to air staff concerns directly to the Board.
- **No further issues raised**

Meeting closed – 10.18 AM