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**South Gippsland Landcare Network
Annual General Meeting Minutes
Saturday October 8, 2016
6.35pm – 8.40pm**

Woorayl Golf Club, at the Leongatha Recreation Reserve

Meeting opened at 6.35pm

1.0 Welcome & Apologies

Mark Walters, Chair SGLN Board welcomed everyone to the 2016 SGLN AGM and thanked them for their attendance.

All paperwork including 2015/2016 Annual Report on tables.

Attendees:

Arie Bos, Alan Bacon, Barbara Partridge, Belinda Brennan, Brian Enbom, Brian Nankervis, Bryan Watterson, Cameron McDonald, Colin Lackman, Dawn Marotti, Debbie Birkett, Denyse Menzies, Diana Droog, Don Jelbart, Elizabeth Anthony, Elizabeth Collins, Elvie Clark, Evelyn Lillie, Fred Lillie, Frank Dekker, Frank Hirst, Graeme Trease, Grant Morrison, Helen Hasty, Hugh Sarjeant, Ian Hasty, Jason Keays, Jean Carnell, Jeff Clark, Jenny Morrison, Judy Bacon, Judy Lackman, Julie Parke, Kate McKenzie, Kate Walsh, Les Walsh, Lew Potter, Mark Uren, Mark Walters, Margaret McDonal, Merran Wilde, Mike Carnell, Nicole Walsh, Peter Jacques, Peter Walsh, Phil Piper, Ray Saunders, Richard Baillie, Rosemary Trease, Sarah Keays, Sheryl Enbom, Susan Jacques, Suzanne Wightman, Zoe Baillie

Apologies:

Jill Vella, Doug Evans, Martin Fuller, Angus Hume, Russell Swan, David Layton, Helen Bowering, Collin Goodwin, Jenny O'Sullivan, David McAninly, John Flemming, Werner Lange, Tom Holman, Coral Holman, Doug Park, Julie Park

2.0 Previous Minutes & Business Arising

A copy of the previous minutes is included in information on each table. Minutes were circulated to members prior to AGM via email or post.

Motion: That the 2015 AGM minutes as circulated be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Phil Piper

Seconded: Frank Dekker

Carried

3.0 Chair's Report

Mark Walters

Chairs report included in Annual Report on tables. Page 5

Mark read highlights from report and thanked Board, staff and Landcare members for all their hard work over the past 12 months.

Motion: That the Chair's report be received as presented.

Moved: Arie Bos Seconded: Jean Carnell Carried

Copy of Chair's Report is included in Annual Report.

4.0 Financial Report Jean Carnell

Note: Financial report for the Network and Fund included in Annual report on table. Pages 15 22.

Motion: That the Annual Financial Statement for SGLN be received.

Moved: Frank Dekker Seconded: Phil Piper Carried

Motion: That the Annual Financial Statement for SG Landcare Fund be received.

Moved: Mark Walters Seconded: Frank Dekker Carried

5.0 Annual Report Kate McKenzie

Copies of Annual Report on tables for all members. A copy will also be sent via email to members following the AGM.

- Executive Summary. Page 4
- Landcare Group Reports page 7-10
- The report is structured into the six key themes of the SGLN Strategic Plan 2015-20

Motion: That the SGLN Annual Report be accepted as presented

Moved: Frank Dekker Seconded: Jean Carnell Carried

7.00-8.10pm – Dinner catered by Mumma Van food truck

8.10pm AGM resumed

6.0 General Business

6.1 SGLN constitution update:

Kate presented review of SGLN Statement of Purpose and Rules. The board discussed all changes at July board meeting and the updated constitution was presented to SGLN members and groups for comment no less than 21 days prior to the AGM. The proposed changes were presented at the AGM for adoption;

1. A reduction in the size of the SGLN Board from 12 to 10

Relevant sections in SGLN Constitution: Div 2. Composition of Board and duties of members Clause 34, (d). Div 3. Election of Board members and tenure of office Clause 42. (1) Election of Board members.

2. A reference to how electronic banking is managed is included

Relevant section in SGLN Constitution: Part 6. Financial Matters. Clause 58 Management of Funds.

3. Include a section on indemnification for past and current Board members

Relevant section in SGLN Constitution: Added as Rule 39, Indemnity under Div 2.

4. Provision for the Board to remove a Board member on the unanimous vote of other Board Member

Relevant section in SGLN Constitution: Div 1. Rule 33 subrule 3.

5. A statement that appointments to the Board are skills based and representative of land use in South Gippsland to serve in the best interest of SGLN

Relevant section in SGLN Constitution: Div 2. Rule 29 subrule 5 (c)

Motion: for members to vote in favour of accepting changes to the SGLN SGLN Statement of Purpose and Rules as presented

Moved: Frank Dekker Seconded: Mark Walters Carried

7.0 Election of SGLN Board members

Mark thanked all the members of the SGLN Board for their hard work, enthusiasm and dedication to the Network over the past 12 months and thanked them for their support of staff. Mark thanked long serving Board member and past Chair Mark Uren in particular for his contributions to the Network. Bleinda presented Board members, (who served on the Board up to October 8 2016 that were not re-nominating for a position on the Board) with a gift). This included; Mark Uren, Sally Jelbart, Dawn Marotti, Phil Piper, Arie Bos and Rosemary Trease.

Handed over to Belinda Brennan to conduct the election of Board members.

In line with the SGLN arrangements – the following people will continue on the Board –as the second year of their two year term.

Margaret McDonald and Russell Swan. Rosemary Trease was due to serve her second year of the two year term however Rosemary tendered her resignation from the Board. In line with the changes to a reduction in the size of the SGLN Board from 12 to 10 there are 8 vacancies on the Board.

Nominations received:

- Jean Carnell (re-nominating) nominated by Frank Dekker, seconded by Kathryn Goller
- Frank Dekker (re-nominating) nominated by Jean Carnell, seconded by Mike Carnell
- David Layton nominated by Belinda Brennan, seconded by Caitlin Pilkington
- Ray Saunders nominated by Malcom Breen, seconded by Michael Buckley
- Elizabeth (Libby) Anthony nominated by Carlo Rappoccio, seconded by Kirsten Jones
- Mark Walters (re-nominating) nominated by Frank Dekker, seconded by Helen Hasty
- Helen Hasty (re-nominating) nominated by Rosemary Trease, seconded by Mark Walters

In line with constitution, if the number of nominations matches number of vacancies or less than the number, all nominees are duly elected to the SGLN Board.

One position remained vacant on the Board and can be filled at a later date pending a nomination.

Belinda thank everyone for nominations and those elected were congratulated.

11. Election of Office Bearers

Belinda Brennan conducted elections

11.1 Nominations for Chairperson

Frank Dekker Nominated by Mark Walters; Seconded by Helen Hasty Carried.

11.2 Nominations for Vice Chairman

Mark Walters Nominated by Helen Hasty: Seconded by Frank Dekker Carried.

11.3 Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer

Margaret McDonald Nominated by Frank Dekker; Seconded by Helen Hasty Carried.

Frank addressed the AGM as new Chair thanking the members, staff and Board for their contributions.

12. AGM closed 8.40pm.

Kate McKenzie introduced guest speaker and entertainer Brian Nankervis.

After presentation Kate thanked Belinda Brennan and the Brian Nankervis and presented them with a gift.