



GRIFFITH BUSINESS CHAMBER INCORPORATED

Annual General Meeting Minutes (63<sup>rd</sup> AGM)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October | 6.00pm | Griffith Leagues Club – Northside, Wakaden Street Griffith

## **MINUTES**

Meeting declared opened at 6.30pm

### **1: PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

Acting President Paul Pierotti welcomed everyone to 63<sup>rd</sup> AGM. Paul congratulated the previous committee for their hard work and dedication.

### **2: APOLOGIES**

1. Dean Owen
2. Sonia Casanova
3. Jacqui Bramwell
4. Sam Buster –Rivcott
5. Griffith Dental Lounge
6. Nathan Thomas – Griffith Real Estate
7. Sally Centofanti – Sureway
8. John Collins – Agricultural Tours Riverina
9. Greg Lawrence – Griffith City Council
10. Rod Hume– Rod Hume Automotive
11. Deb Hume – Rod Hume Automotive
12. Steve Phillips – Tannuki

### **3: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM MEETING**

Moved: Paul Snaidero

Seconded: Pat Pittavino

Motion carried

### **4: BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES**

Nil

### **5: AGM FINANCIALS**

Moved: Pat Pittavino

Seconded: Dom Guglielmino

Motion carried

### **6. ELECTION OFFICER BEARERS**

Invited Inspector John Wadsworth from Griffith Police as returning officer & declared all positions vacant.

**President:**

**Nominated:** Paul Pearsall. Accepted

**Seconded:** Sonia Casanova

**Nominated:** Paul Pierotti. Accepted

**Seconded:** Amanda Quarisa

Ballot was conducted. Counted by independents - John Wadsworth & Paul Rossetto.

**Elected: Paul Pierotti**

**Vice-President #1 & #2 .**

**Nominated:** Paul Pearsall. Accepted

**Seconded:** Sonia Casanova

**Nominated:** Paul Pierotti. Accepted

**Seconded:** Amanda Quarisa

**Nominated:** Pat Pittavino Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Pierotti

**Nominated:** Paul Snaidero. Accepted

**Seconded:** Danny DalBroi

**Nominated:** Greg Lawrence.

**Seconded:** Sonia Casanova

It was noted Greg Lawrence was an apology, which raised the question as to whether he has accepted his nomination as there was not a delegate appointed, though there were representatives from Griffith City Council in attendance. President Paul Pierotti said it was only fair to include Greg into the ballot. A phone call from Greg Lawrence to Paul Pierotti, a short time later confirmed he did accept and to proceed and include him the ballot.

Ballot was conducted. Counted by independents - John Wadsworth & Paul Rossetto.

**Elected (in no particular order): Paul Snaidero & Pat Pittavino**

**Treasurer**

**Nominated:** Sky Han. Accepted.

**Seconded:** Amanda Quarisa

**Elected**

**Secretary**

**Nominated:** Amanda Quarisa. Accepted.

**Seconded:** Paul Pierotti

**Elected**

**Public Officer remained unchanged:** Dean Owen - elected

## **6 Executive Committee Members.**

**Nominated:** Katie Lucantonio. Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Snaidero

**Nominated:** James Hood. Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Pierotti

**Nominated:** Andy Armstrong. Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Snaidero

**Nominated:** Martin Ruggeri. Accepted

**Seconded:** Greg Lawrence

**Nominated:** Mark Zanatta. Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Pearsall

**Nominated:** Sonia Casanova. Accepted by nominated delegate Leah Walsh on her behalf

**Seconded:** Paul Pearsall

**Nominated:** Paula Johns. Accepted

**Seconded:** Greg Lawrence

**Nominated:** Michael Harris. Accepted

**Seconded:** Graeme Lyons

**Nominated:** Julia Puntoriero. Accepted

**Seconded:** Sonia Casanova

**Nominated :** Denis Conroy. Accepted

**Seconded:** Louise Miller

**Nominated:** Keven Bradford. Accepted

**Seconded:** Paul Pierotti

**Nominated:** Paul Pearsall. Accepted

**Seconded:** Sonia Casanova

Ballot was conducted. Counted by independents - John Wadsworth & Paul Rossetto.

### **Elected: in no particular order**

1. Katie Lucantonio
2. Andy Armstrong
3. Martin Ruggeri
4. Paul Johns
5. Julia Puntoriero
6. Denis Conroy / James Hood – TIE

Another ballot was conducted. Counted by independents - John Wadsworth & Paul Rossetto to decide between Denis Conroy & James Hood. It was noted, some members had left the meeting.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Member to be elected: Denis Conroy**

## **6. PRESIDENTS WELCOME**

John Wadsworth handed the chair to New President Paul Pierotti.

Paul was pleased with the newly elected committee and the renewed interest into Griffith Business Chamber.

Paul feels the Chamber will achieve better results with such a good strong balance of diversity, experience and highly qualified members of the new executive committee, plus the male to female ratio.

Paul encouraged members to increase their engagement with Chamber and welcomed any feedback in the future to either himself or any member of the executive committee that you feel comfortable to talk to. Chamber are here to listen and represent members, but only if you represent your views.

Paul congratulated the new committee and thanked everyone for coming.

## **7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **5.1 –Lodgement of forms to Dept of Fair Trading:**

**Motion:** New committee to submit forms required by NSW Fair Trading following AGM.

**Moved:** Amanda Quarisa

**Seconded:** Pat Pittavino

Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting closed at 8.05pm

Secretary: Amanda Quarisa