

**YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA
MINUTES OF THE 2021-2022
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
17th September 2022
Held on Zoom**

Present: Raj Mudaliar (in Chair), Peter Amos, Michael Anderson, Ryan Broom, Andrew Edmonds, Glyn Henman, Ben Hura, Taren Hura, Shannon Kong, Barbara Morris, Llew Morris, Vicki Rochow, Meera Seemampillai, Gavin Stait, Jonathan Stephen, Karen Stephen, Mark Stretton, Claire Wood.

Apologies: Lily Hagberg, Liz Merritt, Kerrie Sheaves, Sophie Wilksch.

Attending: Mark Hamilton.

The Meeting opened at 2.05 pm with prayer.

The Meeting closed at 2.45 pm with prayer.

Item	Issue	Agreement	Who/When
1	Quorum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting and, declared that there was a quorum present. The meeting was declared open. 	
2	Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies had been received from Lily Hagberg, Liz Merritt, Kerrie Sheaves and Sophie Wilksch. 	
3	Proxies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proxies had been received from Lily Hagberg (to Llew Morris) and Kerrie Sheaves (to Mark Stretton). 	
1	Minutes of last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th September 2021 were confirmed without amendment. Moved: Gavin Stait; Seconded: Shannon Kong. Carried without dissent. 	
2	Financial Statements for year ended 30 June 2022 and Independent Audit Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A paper titled "Presentation of Accounts for 2021-2022" had been circulated prior to the meeting. Shannon Kong spoke to the paper, noting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Net loss for the year of \$79,641 compared with a profit \$523,717 the previous year (loss on operations of \$36,283 offset by forgiveness of loan \$560,000). Total income of \$1,435,297 (\$1,799,458 in 2020-2021 \$2,359,458 less \$560,000 forgiveness of loan). This is a decrease in income of \$364,161 (20.2%) reflecting a decrease in donations, grants and income from chaplaincy services and minimum 	

		<p>activities from camping and fundraising due to the knock-on effects of Covid for the past 3 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total expenses of \$1,514,938 (\$1,835,741 in 2020-2021). This is a decrease of \$320,803 in expenses (17.5%) reflecting lower employment, training, activities and promotion expenses. • Accumulated Reserves of the Association totalled \$836,351 (down from \$915,992 at June 2021). • Total Assets of the Association totalled \$1,432,232 down from \$1,804,104 (at June 2021) reflecting drawing down on cash reserves to pay entitlements for resigned staff and drawing down on accumulated grants and donations to be in alignment with AASB15 of the Australian Accounting Standard. • Liabilities of the Association totalled \$595,881 (down from \$888,112 at June 2021) reflecting clearance of staff entitlements and lower unused grants and donations held on the balance sheet. • The financial statements had been finalised and signed off by the Board and the auditor. • It was resolved that: The Annual General Meeting accept and adopt the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 and note the Independent Audit Report. <p>Moved: Shannon Kong; Seconded: Ryan Broom. Carried without dissent.</p>	
3	Appointment of Auditor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A paper titled “Re-Appointment of Auditor” had been circulated prior to the meeting. • The paper recommended the reappointment of Stewart Brown Chartered Accountants who had taken over as auditor last year following the resignation mid-year of Shedden & Green Partners. • It was resolved that: The Annual General Meeting approve 	

		<p>re-appointment of Stewart Brown Chartered Accountants as Young Life's auditors for the 2022-2023 financial year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved: Mark Stretton; Seconded: Karen Stephen. Carried without dissent. 	
4	Election of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chairman handed the chair to Ryan Broom to conduct the election of Directors. • It was noted that the Constitution provides for no less than three and no more than nine Directors. • It was noted that Peeter Amos had resigned during the year and Gavin Stait, although eligible, had advised that he would not stand for re-election. • Three Directors were resigning from the Board under the agreed rotation of Directors. Shannon Kong, Raj Mudaliar and Karen Stephen being eligible to stand for re-election had been duly nominated and seconded. • In addition, five nominations had been received in the timeframe allowed – Michael Anderson, Andrew Edmonds, Llew Morris, Vicki Rochow, Jonathan Stephen. • Since there were a total of eight nominations before the meeting for eight vacant positions, all of the eight nominees were declared elected unopposed. • Together with Ryan Broom who was continuing as a Director, there was now a full Board of nine Directors. • Ryan Broom handed the Chair back to Raj Mudaliar who thanked Peter Amos and Gavin Stait for their years of service on the Board. He also welcomed the new Directors who would take office from the close of the meeting. 	
5	Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was opened for questions and comments. • Glyn Henman asked for a copy of the audited financial statements and auditor's report to be sent to members – this would be done. • Meera Seemampillai asked about financial assistance which had been received or promised from Young Life USA and whether there were any 	

		<p>conditions attached – Mark Stretton explained that Young Life International had provided salary assistance for a member of the Uni Ministry to go from 3 days per week to full-time. There had also been some assistance for running the Uni Camp. There were discussions going on about assistance from YL International’s Global Cities Project which could result in matched assistance to support development of youth mentoring ministries in Sydney and Melbourne.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Hamilton, who was a visitor at the meeting, expressed concern about the apparent shift in alignment with YL globally, and asked the Board to share what strategic moves had been approved or were under consideration and what information was available about appointment of a new CEO – Raj Mudaliar assured members that the Board is carefully considering the legalities of possible models of working with YL globally, but that no formal arrangements had yet been agreed. The appointment of a new leader was being pursued as a top priority. 	
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