



2021 AGM MINUTES

Wednesday 28th April at Hadley's Orient Hotel

Meeting began at 6:30 pm

1. Welcome by Chair Sue Kennedy
2. Acknowledgment of Country by Mark Macleod
3. Attendance 24 Members. 1 Proxy vote. 3 Apologies
4. Confirmation of Minutes from the 2020 AGM
 - 4.1. Proposed Cary Lenehan, Seconded Mark Macleod
5. Business arising from the previous meeting
 - 5.1. None
6. Chair's report - Sue Kennedy
7. Treasurer's report - James Payne (outgoing Treasurer)
8. Director's report - Cassandra Wunsch
9. Special resolution:

That the amendments to the Constitution set out in the updated document tabled at this AGM, be approved as a special resolution of members

 - 9.1. Passed with a strong majority
 - 9.2. During this time the question was raised about ownership and management of the 'Writers Retreat' on Kelly's Steps. Sue responded that she had followed up this query a few months ago. The property in question was not given to the Tasmanian Writers Centre but to the Salamanca Arts Centre. However, it was at that time administered and used by the TWC. The intention was that it be used by writers.
10. Subscriptions
 - 10.1. Cost to remain unchanged in 2021. \$50 concession, \$75 Full, \$25 Student.
11. Staffing

- 11.1. The Centre now has 4 paid staff members. None full time. Our Staffing policy is to build existing staff up to 'livable hours' rather than hiring on more part-time staff.
12. Election of Office Bearers
 - 12.1. No contested positions, full standing board returned.
13. Confirmation of the Auditor
 - 13.1. B.D.O as recommended by Erica Thompson (incoming Treasurer)
14. Special Business

Proposal: That presenters of workshops and festival events for TasWriters and the Hobart Writers Festival should be members of TasWriters if they live in Tasmania

 - 14.1. Passed with a strong majority
15. Close