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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Australian Fabians Incorporated

Held via Zoom Sunday 26 May 2024 4pm AEST

Attendance:

Lyndal Howison; Philip O'Donoghue; Danielle Pain; Kevin Conway; Christopher Caston; Patrick Jones; Julie Cattlin; Ivana Csar; Daniel Gerrard; Paul Read; Abbey Howe; Paul Loring; Mark Ames; Stephen Secomb; Megan Poad; Kay Matthiesson; Stephen Pennells; Bill Gissane; Pam McLeod; Peter Duffy; Nick Virgona; John Armstrong; Tony Webb; Hitoshi Kiyotaki; Natalie Mast; Tim Dymond; Mark Bonanno; Charles Brass; Dana Tymms; Maxine Barry; John Haberecht; Geoff Norton; Chris Blake; Merry Cooper; Anthony van den Broek; Elizabeth Prime; Lev Lafayette; Wendy Morris; Maxine Barry; Brian Howe; David Connah; Anthony Esposito; David Redfearn; Austin Byard; Andrew Church; Lachlan Rodenburg; Arnagretta Hunter; Fernanda Trecenti; Sarah Howe; Julia Thornton; Lou Crawford; Rachael Hughes; David Cassells; Warwick Boardman; Kathy Sdrinis; Mary Kelleher; Janet Laverick; Tanya Carroll; Timothy Hart; Kendrick Eustaquio; Lyndal Howison; Howard Marosi; Cam MacRae; Jason McKenzie; Robyn Saltmarsh; Murray Brown; Michael Aleisi; Mike Henry; James Talbett; Jim Kelly; Michelle Baker; Rewi Lyall; Leon Cermak; Dean Tregenza; Bernie McComb; Amanda Rainey; Jamie Gardiner; John Troughton; Carolyn Ingvarson; Rod Welford; Sarina Greco; Katherine Hudson; Sharon Meredith; Steve Gilbert; Jeff McCracken-Hewson; Christopher Garvey; Jannene Kyytsonen; John Englart; Gary Jones; Charles Esson; Kerry Lovering; Peter Griffin;

Proxies:

In favour of Sarah Howe – Kim Travers; Dr Tony Webb; Ross Middleton; David Redfearn; Russell Bancroft (5)

In favour of Phil O'Donoghue – Patrick Bindon; Sarah Seymour; Alanna Clohesy; Alex McInnes; Alison Elgar; Andrew Tandy; Bonnie Hill; Cathy Bardon; Chris Duke;

Damien Smith; Diana Warnock; Eileen Whitehead; Geoff Barker; Helen Tuck; Janine Freeman; Kelly Paul; Lachlan Rodenburg; Leandro Stewart Usher; Louise Dillion; Lutz Ebler; Mike Heath; Nicole Aitkin; Nigel Rainford; Phil Trainer; Pene (Penelope) Welsh; Matthew Davies; Vicki Jarnis; Jeremy Mowe (28)

In favour of Mark Bonanno – Max Dumais; Rani Param; Roger Byrne (3)

In favour of Kevin Conway – Terry Gobert (1)

1. Opening and Acknowledgment by the Chair

2. Suspension of Standing Orders

Procedural motion to suspend standing orders to hear from The Hon. Penny Sharpe, MLC, NSW Minister for Climate Change, Energy, Environment & Heritage and Leader of the Government NSW Upper House address: *"The Politics of Climate Change"*. Moved: Mark Bonanno/Phil O'Donoghue **CARRIED**

Address by the Hon Penny Sharpe: Cadigal/Wonga Land; 1992 first earth summit first discussion of climate change; brief history of Climate Change views from Graham Richardson onwards; Robert Hill (Lib) semi supportive; John Howard spoke in favour of climate change but did nothing; Greens making the perfect the enemy of the good

Questions: Tim Dymond regarding Eraring;

Megan Poad: can we have an anti-nuclear campaign?

Questions followed by Vote of Thanks

Moved Jeff McCracken Hewson/Jannene Kyytsonen **CARRIED**

Resumption of Standing Orders

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous AGM

Motion to adopt the previous 2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes which have been circulated with the meeting Notice;

Moved: Phil O'Donoghue/Kevin Conway **CARRIED**

4. Returning Officer's Report

The Returning Officer's written report dated 12 May 2024 and circulated with the Meeting Notice stated that

The following nominations were received and duly authenticated for the available positions on the National Executive for 2024. As the nominations did not exceed the number of places, the nominees are confirmed as appointed.

National Chairperson

Sarah Howe

National Vice Chairperson
National Secretary
National Treasurer

Amanda Rainey
Mark Bonanno
Danielle Pain
Philip O'Donoghue

Received on the motion of Amanda Rose/Kevin Conway **CARRIED**

Motion: that Max Dumais be appointed National Returning Officer for the succeeding annual general meeting Moved Mark Bonanno/Anthony Van Den Broek **CARRIED**

5. Chair's report

Circulated with the meeting Notice

Adoption moved Kevin Conway /Tim Dymond **CARRIED**

6. Treasurer's report

Circulated with the meeting Notice

Adoption moved: Phil O'Donoghue/Mark Bonanno. **CARRIED**

7. Announcement of Life Members

The Secretary read the citations for the Life Members as recommended by the National Committee being:

- Dr Julia Thornton
- Kevin Conway
- Damien Stapleton

Report received on the motion of Danielle Pain/Phil O'Donoghue and unanimously **CARRIED**

Close of Annual General Meeting and Opening of Special General Meeting

1. Motion: amendment to the National Rules circulated with the meeting Notice be agreed to.

Amendment to Rule 36:

(2) The quorum for a general meeting is the presence (physically, by proxy or as allowed under rule 35) of ~~10% of the 50~~ members invited who are entitled to vote.

(the proposed amendments are **highlighted thus**)

Moved by the Secretary/Kevin Conway **CARRIED**

Close of Meeting: 5.16pm (AEST)