

Mornington Peninsula and Western Port Biosphere Reserve Foundation Ltd.

MINUTES 2006 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 26th November 2006
Warneet Yacht Club
Rutherford Pde
Warneet

The Chair, Rob Gell, opened the meeting at 1.40pm and welcomed members and visitors.

PRESENT

Directors, Alternate Directors and Members

Libby Anthony, Neil Beddoe, Patricia Bentley, Gerard Cook, James Dooley, Geoff Duke, Bob Edgar, Craig Forster, Rob Gell, Jim Kerin, Jack Krohn, Alison Kuitert, Tom Lloyd, Patricia MacWhirter, Ray Maino, Anwyn Martin, Norman McKinlay, Rob McNaught, Jan Oliver, Yvonne Reifenberg, Virginia Richardson, Carolyn Rose, William Schaefer, Jillian Verhardt, Ian Weir, Jeff Weir, Lynette Wilks, Peter Woodgate

Visitors

Frederick Crump, Bryce Rose

APOLOGIES

Robin Borger, Hans Brunner, Mark Cunningham, Sally Edwards, Steve Gawler, Kate Glenie, Cathy Harper, Greg Hunt MP, Doug Hamilton, Michael Kennedy, Barbara Kuhl, Heinz Reitmeier, Annabel Richards, Roger Richards, Reade Smith, Rhys Walkley, Pat Wallis,

CHAIR'S REPORT

Rob Gell presented the Chair's Report, as printed in the Foundation's 2006 Annual Report. He also spoke of several new projects underway in Mornington Peninsula, Frankston and Bass Coast Roundtables and of the challenge to get effective Roundtables operating in Casey and Cardinia

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Libby Anthony reported on the Foundation's financial situation as printed in the Annual Report. She emphasised the priority is to establish on-going resources to support the Foundation's operations.

Motions

To accept the 2006 Financial Report for the period 1 July 2005 -30 June 2006

Moved Libby Anthony, seconded Ray Maino

The motion was carried

To accept the 2006 Directors' Report

Moved Jeff Weir, seconded Craig Forster

The motion was carried

To accept the 2006 Audit

Moved Libby Anthony, seconded Neil Beddoe

The motion was carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Living Strategy

There was discussion of the Draft Living Strategy distributed to members – the information is to be referred to the Board's Strategic Planning Group.

Biosphere Foundation Name

There was general discussion about potential new names and ideas regarding the process for determining any change - the information is to be referred to the Board.

Ray Maino announced that

- Friends of Chinaman's Creek won a 'Saving Endangered Ecosystems Award' as part of Planet Ark's National Tree Day and
- A steering committee will be established in early 2007 to pursue a biosphere over Victoria's volcanic plain.

The meeting closed at 3pm.