

Minutes from the Annual General Meeting on 12 July, 2015, 4 pm.

Attending: Christine and Brian Fowler, Grant Corbishley, Peter and Ruth Reese, Ken and Miranda Munro, Nick Jennings, Jenny Rattenbury, Graham and Linda Smith, Sussanah Gobles, Andrew, Sarah Free, David and Gill Ryrie, Barbara Aires, Ken, Norman Smith (left before AGM)

Apologies: Dave McArthur.

Next meeting: Sunday, October 11, at the hall at 4 pm.

Norman Smith stood in for the guest speaker Jan Wright, Parliamentary Commissioner for The Environment, (who was to be a guest speaker but was ill) and gave an account of the work he is doing with communities in North Auckland. This involves the support of the Akina Foundation and has helped establish a community energy network and initiatives to help low income households with warmer homes.

Followed by refreshments.

General meeting

1. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting on Sunday 12 April, 2015 were electronically circulated.

Moved that they be accepted: Christine Fowler; Seconded: Ken Munro; Carried: All

Matters arising: None.

2. Financial report (Prepared by Christine Fowler)

Owing to unavailability of statements for January-March, some income was carried over from the April report.

Opening balance 31.03.15	\$ 3,946.61
Income:	\$ 2,050.00
Expenditure:	\$ 2,327.78
Closing balance chq acc:	\$ 3,668.83
Term deposit: August, 2015)	\$20,990.66 (matures 25th
Closing balance 12.07.15: Total funds	\$24,659.49

Discussion

The BNZ Term Deposit matures on the 25 August so a decision needs to be made at this meeting on basis of annual accounts. The Hall hire charges have been raised which has so far been positively received. One regular hall user has stopped classes owing to lack of attendees.

Moved that financial report be accepted: Miranda Munro; Seconded: Linda Smith; Carried: All

3. Correspondence: none

Annual General Meeting

1. Minutes of last Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, Sunday 20 July, 2014 were accepted at the meeting of 12 October, 2014.

2. President's Report

The President's report summed up the year and how well HVPA has represented the community. While trying to support full discussion of community interests we respect the diversity of opinion in the community. Activities run in the hall are vital to our hall finances. Potluck discussions are opening new possibilities that may be beneficial to the community, but they do not yet generate income. New signage, decorations in the hall are all part of a plan to make the hall more appealing to locals. There are many activities going on in the valley and the committee wants to assist those activities while acknowledging the energy and initiative of individuals who make the activities successful.

Discussion

Ken and Miranda's work has been successful so far and they ought to be commended for it. The future of the Association was raised by Nick. Large numbers of locals are using the website; a smaller group are linked to the email newsletter and Facebook. There is no need to make change, but a look at what the community is thinking could be useful. The Association has an open attitude to the activities of the community. Should a questionnaire be created in order to make a forward looking plan? At the last meeting it was concluded that time should be given to allow the community to come and voice their opinions.

3. Election of officers:

Secretary: Grant Corbishley
Treasurer: Christine Fowler
Hall Manager: Miranda Munro

4. Annual Accounts 1.04.14 to 31.03.15 (Prepared by Christine Fowler)

Total Income:	\$ 7,640.36
Total Expenditure:	\$ 6,008.57
Excess Income Over Expenditure:	\$ 1,631.79
Cash position opening balance as at 01.04.14	\$ 23,305.48
Closing position as at 31.03.2015	\$ 25,006.27

Statement of assets and liabilities leaves a position of total equity of \$270,006.27

Discussion

Term deposit to be rolled over for 6 months. Moved that the annual account be accepted: Ken Munro; Seconded: Linda Smith; Approved: All.

Appreciation was recorded for Christine Fowler in preparing the accounts. The Presidents Report and Annual Accounts will go to the Charites Commission.

- 5. General Business:** Continuing discussion of Operations reserve, building maintenance and increased accessibility and brightening up the hall. This will allow us to set aside an amount for community projects and set criteria we use for these. Next steps in hall project are costings to be obtained for 1. The kitchen make over; 2. The toilets make over.

Proposed: Ken Munro; Seconded: Graham Smith; Approved: All

Annual Subscriptions of \$10.00 per household are now due and payments can be made online. The account number is 02 0520 0143013 000 Houghton Valley Progressive Association. Payees need to put their name and the HVPA Subscription as references. Jenny mentioned a sale of chairs that the hall maybe interested in. Jenny has left her contacts with them, so will report back on cost. The seats may need refurbishing, so this could be a Repair Café project.

Hall activities: the banner workshops are on-going; 'pot luck' events will continue; Jan has negotiated the use of a Vega coffee machine so we are thinking about a coffee morning.

The meeting concluded at 5:55 pm

Meetings for 2015: Sunday, October 11; Sunday, December 13 or 20

Minutes approved: Ken Munro President; Christine Fowler Treasurer