Minutes of WAALC AGM 2011

Thursday 6th October 2011 5.00pm Room L101, Challenger Institute of Technology, Beaconsfield Campus

1. Present

Robyn Rennie, Janet McHardy, Carmel Jennings, Theo Bekkers, Stephanie Mitchell, Emilia Biemmi Beurteaux, Maxine Tomlin, Di Sansom, Rosemarie Colosi, Helena Zielinksa, Lesley Gilmour, Margaret McHugh, Veronica Ribbons, Viv Dillon, Pauline Beck, Beverley Farr, Ann Murphy, Marion Vincent, Joaney Campbell (Chair), Cheryl Wiltshire (recorder)

2. Apologies

Helen Grimston, Claire Anderson, Paul Barnes, Penny Blackburn, Elaine Rabbitt

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the 2010 AGM were accepted as a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Theo Bekkers Seconded: Margaret McHugh

4. Reports

a. Chairperson's Report

Joan Campbell read her report (attached).

b. ACAL Report

Margaret McHugh referred the meeting to her written report. She commented that with no government funding for ACAL we have not been able to publish Literacy Link this year but there is discussions about an online version. AVCAL like other non-government bodies is finding it difficult to get a voice, seldom being invited to decision making or asked for advice.

c. Financial report

Stephanie Mitchell reported as at June WAALC funds stood at \$19749.93 and submitted a statement of accounts (attached).

A question was asked re the success of membership drive proposed at last year's AGM. The answer was no though we have increased the number of organisational members.

A motion was put to the meeting that all reports for 2011 be accepted. Moved: Lesley Gilmour Seconded: Maxine Tomlin

All in attendance voted to accept the reports.

Amendment to constitution

Since there is no legal requirement to have accounts audited, and the amount of income WAALC generates most years is less than the cost of an audit, the current clause in the constitution:

7.4.3 Prepare a duly audited statement of accounts for each financial year setting out the assets and liabilities of the Council. Such accounts and balance sheet shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.

was proposed to be amended to:

7.4.3 Prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year setting out the assets and liabilities of the Council. Such accounts and balance sheet shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.

Moved by Stephanie Mitchell, seconded by Lesley Gilmour.

All in attendance voted to accept the change.

6. Election of Executive Committee:

All positions were declared vacant and the following nominations were received and elected unopposed.

Chair: Joan Campbell
Vice Chair: Ann Murphy
Secretary: Cheryl Wiltshire
Treasurer: Stephanie Mitchell
ACAL Rep: Margaret McHugh

Other Committee members:

Veronica Ribbons
Claire Anderson
Theo Bekkers
Maxine Tomlin
Lesley Gilmour
Emilia Biemmi Beurteaux

Ellina Biellilli Beartead

Rosemarie Colosi

Carmel Jennings (withdrawn)

8. Next Meeting:

The next executive meeting is on:

Tuesday 18th October 2011 at 5.00pm until 6.30pm Central Institute of Technology Library Aberdeen Street.

Meeting closed 6.00 PM