



Riding for the Disabled Association (NSW) 50th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Draft

held at Hawkesbury Race Club Function Centre 1 Racecourse Road

CLARENDON NSW 2756

On Saturday, 21 May, 2022

Commencing at 6.00pm

Registration from 5.00pm

Present:

Tracy Lucas (TL)	Director/Chair/Grants/Rider Rep.
Olwen Smith (OS)	Director/EO/ DO/MPIO
Joe Orland (JO)	Director/ FO/CoSec
Jenny Cameron	Director (Casual Vacancy)
Angus Malcolm	Facilitator for the AGM
Lucy Pentony (LP)	Office Co-ordinator RDA (NSW) – Minute Taker
Regional Representatives, Life Members and others as per attendance list	

Voting Centre

6 – Box Hill TT
7 – Central Coast
8 – Coffs Harbour
9 – Coonabarabran
10 – Cootamundra
11 – Cowra
13– Goulburn
16 – Gunnedah
17 – Illawarra
18 – Kempsey/Macleay
19 – Kendall
20 – MGL
21 – Moss Vale
22 – Mudgee (provisional C)
24 – Orange
25 –RT & LH
26 – Richmond
27– Ryde
28 – Tamworth & District
32 – Wagga
33 – Wauchope/Port Macq.
34 – Wollondilly
21 Centre Voting delegates present and 1 by proxy

Delegate

Greg Urand
Garry Kirkby
Clarry Quirk
Glenn Walker
Olwen Smith
Jenny Wright
Jolene Grove
Glenn Walker (by proxy)
Linda Pullen
Marie Purkis
Jenny McGregor
Ed Binney
Angus Malcolm
Diane Burnicle
Allan Everett
Alison Stone
Malcolm Cook
Helen Strasser
Sue Wilson
Heather Baker
Robyn Coombes
Jill Burton

1. Welcome and official opening

- 1.1. Ian Travis - member of Richmond Centre declared the meeting opened at 6.18pm and welcomed everyone to the 2021 RDA (NSW) AGM – our vice patron Don Eyb, Jan Pike – Life member and all other members present Ian gave an address on the Richmond Centre
Ian acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land and handed over to Angus Malcolm to facilitate the meeting



2. Banner Parade Performed to Music Centre Banners displayed

2.1. Housekeeping: mobile phones to be switched off. No recording of the meeting allowed.

3. Apologies, Proxies

3.1. The following apologies were received:

Margaret Beazley The Governor of NSW and Mr Dennis Wilson

Gerard Murphy – Life member

Eric Lengling – Life member

Aileen Davis – Life Member

Peter Carn – Life member

Nicole King – Coaching Administrator

Judy Smith - Bookkeeper

3.2. 1 Proxy received

4. Minutes

4.1. Acceptance of Minutes from the May 2021 Annual General Meeting

AM advised that the minutes of the May 2021 AGM have been circulated and called for a proposer and seconder to accept the 2021 AGM minutes

35 Moved and 26 Seconded “that the minutes of the 1 May AGM meeting be accepted”

For the motion – 21,17,18,24,19,25,7,20,32,11,26,35,8,28,33,10

Against the motion – **none Motion Carried**

5. Business Arising from the 1 May 2020 Annual General Meeting- none

6. Reports

6.1. Chairpersons Report (see Annual Report)

Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and welcomed Don Eyb - RDA (NSW) Vice Patron and thanked Don for his support to RDA (NSW)

6.2 Finance Officer's Report including the Auditor's Report (see Annual Report)

JO addressed the members before delivering his Finance Officer's Report.

JO received a letter from The Office of the Legal Services Commissioner, re complaints lodged against him re conduct as a director, Finance Officer and Company Secretary Complaints were also made to ACNC, ASIC and to the police. JO noted that information received that each of the other Board members were also reported to ASIC. These complaints were made by a member of a Centre and a member of a Working Party. The Working party had been meeting for around 18 months, working against and harassing the board. The directors were constantly taken away from trying to help the Centres dealing with bush fires, COVID and floods. Despite the distractions caused by the Working Party, the Board continued to help the Centres which needed assistance.

The complaint was made against JO because he was the signatory to a letter sent by the Board to the person whose complaints were based on that letter which related to an action by that person which potentially brought the whole of RDA (NSW) into disrepute.



The letter from Office of the Legal Services Commissioner rejected all allegations and noted that the complaint is closed as Mr Oland's conduct on the current evidence was not such that it could amount to a basis for any investigative or disciplinary action by their office.

This followed an earlier failed attempt to have JO removed as a director, but refused to provide reasons for that action.

FO read out his report

7. Acceptance of the Financial Report

JO Moved and 28 seconded "that the Finance Officer's Report and the Financial Report be accepted"

For the motion – 10,21,17,18,24,19,11,32,7,25,20,26,35,8,33

Against 6, 27 **Motion carried.**

8. Centre Affiliation fees for 2022

- 8.1.** The Board approved on the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the fees proposed to remain at \$110 including GST that the fees to be retained at \$110 GST inclusive

9. Other Business

- 9.1.** Appointment of Auditor

JO Moved "that the current auditor to be retained for the upcoming year" **35 Seconded**

For the motion 10,35,8,33,28,26,20,25,7,32,19,11,18,17,24,21,33

Against the motion - Nil Motion **Carried**

- 9.2.** Invitation for hosting of 2023 AGM Venue – AM advised the members that if they are interested to host the 2023 AGM to get in touch with the board.
- 9.3.** Notice of Motion – RDA (NSW) Board Policy re qualifications for Director positions
JO addressed the members, explaining why the motion by MGL was not put to the meeting. JO noted reasons why the Board decided that to be a director it is a requirement to have 2 years' experience at a Centre with 1 year as a committee member. As per the RDA (NSW) constitution the directors can reject a motion that they feel is not appropriate.
AM noted that this is a failure to communicate. Encouraged the member Centres to use their Regional Reps. and that if they are discontented with a board decision the Regional Rep. will represent their Centre.
EB president of MGL (20) – commented that the Motion was from MGL. EB explained the rational around the motion. EB noted that the Board motion re the qualification of directors was put to the member Centres twice and it was rejected by the members.
JO noted that the motion was only voted once by the Centres as in a second attempt at the motion some of the Centres did not know what they were voting for because of the background noise.
Several comments from member Centres made.
It was decided by all that that this Issue that can't be dealt with at this particular time.



10. Election of Directors including appointment of scrutineers

10.1. In accordance with Clause 28(2) c of the RDA (NSW) Constitution, there having been four valid nominations for the four positions to be filled, no election process is required and the positions are automatically declared filled by the four nominees.

New directors are Ed Binney, Alan Burton, Clarry Quirk and Diane Burnicle

11. Meeting Closed

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.25pm