

# EAST LAUNCESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION INC. AGM

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday, September 7, 2016. Opened 6.08pm.

**Attendance:** Lionel Morrell, Jacinta Ellis, Keith Ellis, Paula Huett, Krista Preece, Suzie Somann-Crawford, Lucy Robbins, Rachel Brown, Clare Mawdesley, Elizabeth Mahnken, Greg Bradfield, Gina McKendrick, Julia Hoffner, Jenny Larner, Michael Douglas, Libby Glover, Angela Rose-Eadie, Sonja Ambrose, Tim Whiteley, Angela Phyland, Leigh Anthony, Ross Smith, Jess Downie, Michael Lowe, Lea Watson, Sophie Flanagan, Lorna Farquhar, Felicia Butler, Paul Deruyter, Tammie Gardner, Cathy Maartensz, Claire Robertson, Meg Anderson, Rebecca Viney, Robin Russell, Sarah Foster, Jane Gaetani-Black, Alvaro Ascui, George Hyde, Alicia Bushby, Michael Bernachi, Hugh Christie, Emmy Brient, James Fell, Paul Vandenberg, Sian Hirst. **Apologies:** Claudine Ball, Dave Cox, Mandy Gutwein, Elizabeth Nadilo.

**Minutes of the previous meeting:** The chairman Jess Downie called for a motion that the minutes of the 2015 annual meeting on September 23, 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record. Angela Phyland/Ross Smith, CARRIED

**President report:** Jess Downie reported that the year was successful, productive and challenging. Successful fundraising included the school fair, which raised about \$15,000. She thanked the fair committee. The \$4.5 million capital works allocated in the May state budget for the school brought particular challenges. But the P&F, when considering the Department of Education land co-contribution request of P&F land for the project, had emerged with a clear process to move forward. The P&F membership on August 17 voted with a 76 per cent majority to engage in discussions with the DoE on a co-contribution. The primary goal of the discussions is betterment of the school. She thanked everyone who has assisted the P&F. Moved that the report be accepted Jess Downie/Leigh Anthony, CARRIED

**Treasurer report:** Treasurer Ross Smith said there was no financial report, but the audited report for the year should be available for next month's meeting. It was raised from the floor that the report needs to be accepted by the members. Jess said that this part of the AGM would be continued at next month's meeting.

**Election of office bearers:** ELPS principal Emmy Brient facilitated election of office bearers.

President: Jess Downie nominated for president. Greg Bradfield/Sarah Foster. Position accepted by Jess.

Vice-president: Sarah Foster nominated for vice-president. Claire Robertson/Lea Watson. Position accepted by Sarah.

Treasurer: Ross Smith nominated for treasurer. Hugh Christie/Amanda Phyland. Position accepted by Ross.

Secretary: Paul Vandenberg nominated for secretary. Ross Smith/Rachel Brown. Position accepted by Paul.

**Election of general members:** ELPS principal Emmy Brient facilitated election of general members.

Libby Glover nominated to be a general member. Rachel Brown/Meg Anderson. Position accepted by Libby.

Leigh Anthony nominated to be a general member. Ross Smith/Jess Downie. Position accepted by Leigh.

Claire Robertson nominated to be a general member. Robin Russell/Clare Mawdesley. Position accepted by Claire.

Angela Phyland nominated to be a general member. Ross Smith/Leigh Anthony. Position accepted by Angela.

**General business:** A motion was put for chartered accountant Geoff Powell to be accepted on the recommendation of Ross Smith as auditor. Ross Smith/Jess Downie. CARRIED

Sarah Foster said she would start a new P&F life member honour board, to record the newly-appointed life members, plus other life members not on the existing board.

There was a request from the floor that it be noted in the minutes that the Associations Incorporation Act 1964 (and in particular section 16, model rules) must be followed at meetings. Emmy was recalled and a motion (put by Jess and seconded by Lionel Morrell) that Paul be the public officer for 12 months. In the initial election, he was only elected as secretary. Paul accepted the position of secretary/public officer. Jess adjourned the meeting at 6.45pm, to a date to be fixed.