

Sustainable Living Armidale Inc.

Minutes of the AGM, held on Tuesday 6th July 2010 Kent House at 8.30 pm

Present: Ray South, Joc Coventry, Iain MacKay, Helen Webb, Jo Leoni, Gary Bennett, Jenny Bennett, Kathryn Bose, Kate Boyd, Alan Cunningham, Leonora Pearson, Judith Doyle, Richard Franklin, Bruce Southcott, Allan Mitchell, John Williams, Hani Soliman, Kath Wray

Apologies: Bar Finch, Patsy Asch, Mahalath Halperin

Welcome

Ray South welcomed everyone on behalf of the Coordinating Committee.

Minutes of previous AGM

Minutes are available on the SLA website. A motion that the previous minutes be accepted was moved by Joc Coventry, seconded by Iain MacKay, carried unanimously.

Business arising

none

Convenor's report

Highlights of the previous year

- Armidale Local Food's Home Grown Garden Tour
- SLA Energy persuaded Council to install solar panels on the roof of the Visitors' Centre, which should happen soon. Savings should be used to install panels on other Council-owned buildings.
- Regular market stall in the Mall on Market Sundays
- SLA's newsletter SLAM, produced by Iain MacKay and Debra Mill: it's looking good, first issue due out very soon
- Sustainable backyard at SLEX very popular with visitors

Treasurer's Report

Gary Bennett submitted a financial statement for the year ended 30 June 2010 showing a balance of \$6,292.73. Major sources of income were the Home Grown Garden Tour and SLEX; major items of expenditure were insurance cover and SLEX.

[There are currently 35 financial members]

Special resolution

The constitution and rules of Sustainable Living Armidale Inc. must be amended in order for SLA to qualify for Gift Recipient Status (i.e. donations to be tax deductible)

The wording of the Special Resolution may be found in the file

AGM_2010_Special_Resolution.pdf

Moved by Ray, seconded by Kate, carried unanimously

Election of office bearers

Convenor

Joc Coventry nominated, no further nominations, Joc elected unopposed

Secretary

Bar Finch nominated, no further nominations, Bar elected unopposed

Treasurer

Robyn Newberry nominated, no further nominations, Robyn elected unopposed

Delegates from each of the action groups

The following delegates were recommended by the members of their respective action groups and endorsed by the general meeting:

ALF – Jo Leoni

Awareness – Iain MacKay

Heart and Soul – Helen Webb

SLA Energy – Patsy Asch, Kate Boyd acting in her absence

SLEX – Joc Coventry, Ray South acting in his absence

Transport – Lindsay Fulloon

General business

Joc proposed a vote of thanks to Ray for all his hard work over the past year as convenor of SLA, and particularly for all the work Ray, Patsy and Bar put into getting SLA incorporated, and to Gary for his work as Treasurer.

Joc also proposed that SLA as an organisation should nominate Patsy and Bar for a community award for their enormous contribution to the many organisations with which they are involved.

Ray noted that the Rules for Associations changed on July 1st 2010, and therefore further changes to the wording of the SLA constitution will be required, and these changes will need to be ratified at the 2011 AGM.

AGM closed at approximately 9 pm