



NSW Adult Literacy & Numeracy Council

2017 Annual General Meeting

OTEN, TAFE NSW Strathfield

51 Wentworth Road, Strathfield

6.30 pm Thursday 8 June 2017

Minutes

1. **Attendance:** Sue Roy, Helen Daly, Polly Craig, Garry O'Brien, Pam Osmond, Keiko Yasukawa, Jumei Ma, Debra Urquhart, Josephine Gibbs, Bron Newman, Renata Atkin,

2. **Apologies:** Janet Dyne, Amanda Josling, Jude Cook, Pauline Norfolk,

3. **Minutes of the 2016 AGM**

The Minutes of the 2015 AGM were accepted. Moved: Pam Osmond, seconded: Janet Dyne.

4. **President's Report**

Amanda Josling has sent her apologies. She is now working in Picton and finding it hard to get to meetings. Keiko reported that in 2016-2017 year the NSWALNC promoted the student writing book Resilience: Stories of Adult Learning, an anthology of adult learner stories put together by RaPAL, ACAL and the Festival of Learning which came out in November, held two workshops at Auburn library, made a submission to the State Government when the NSW Minister for Corrections announced that 138 out of 158 educators working in gaols across the state would be made redundant and replaced by clerical staff whilst education delivery would be provided by an external service provider, and, a response also to the Foundations Skills Professional Framework project.

The President's report was accepted. Moved: Jumei Ma, seconded: Polly Craig

5. **Treasurer's Report**

Polly Craig reported that the NSWALNC bank balance as of 31.12.2016 was \$40,855.50.

In 2016 the major expenses were Executive Officer (\$4,900), hosting of Jo Lo Bianco ((1,454), Insurance (\$666) Catering (\$340), PO Box Rental (\$304). The sources of income were membership fees (\$2,585) and interest (\$965)

The Treasurer's Report was accepted. Moved: Helen Dally, seconded: Jumei Ma.

6. **ACAL Representative's report**

Pam Osmond reported that ACAL was involved with responding to the Foundation Skills Professional Framework project, the annual conference, letter to Simon Birmingham, the absence of WELL program, and feedback to PWC on the training package.

The ACAL Representative's Report was accepted. Moved: Sue Roy, seconded: Polly Craig.

7. **Election of office bearers**

An election was held and the following people were elected:

- President: Keiko Yasukawa
- Vice-President: Joanne Medlin
- Treasurer: Polly Craig
- Co-Secretary: Helen Daly and Pauline Norfolk
- ACAL representative: Debra Urquhart
- Rural representative
- Executive members
 - Pam Osmond
 - Janet Dyne
 - Jude Cook
 - Jumei Ma
 - Sue Roy
 - Garry O'Brien
 - Josephine Gibbs

The meeting noted that there remained the possibility of co-opting others for the Executive. It was agreed that the Council should try to co-op Pamela Davies and possibly someone from the Footpath Library. We need to link adult literacy with the broader community.

8. Other Business

8.1 Hosting of ACAL Keynotes for workshops

Two overseas keynotes are coming to the ACAL conference in September in Darwin. Are we interested in hosting either or both for workshops in Sydney. Melissa Steyn - South African keynote on whiteness theory and diversity and Santosh Mehrotra – a human development economist. It would probably involve paying for accommodation and could hold jointly with AVETRA and/or UTS.

ACTION: Keiko will circulate details.

Film Nights

There is a possibility of holding a film night. Bob Boughton film is showing at the Sydney Film Festival. Can we organise a showing of this film. The film is about the Adult literacy campaign – Jack Beetson, and Bob Boughton – campaign in Brewarrina. A model that is different to ours. Also Janet Dyne can talk about the film on South Sudan orphan school. Story of Ex ABE teacher raising funds for school. Whole journey has been filmed.

8.2 NSWALNC Conference

Keiko has contacted as a possible keynote Lyn Wilson who on work Barangaroo and post employment. Keiko is confirming whether she is available.

Call for papers will be emailed is out. Good for ACAL newsletter also.

ACTION: Keiko to confirm with Lyn Wilson whether she is available to give a keynote address at the conference.

8.3 Facebook Page

Do we need a Council Facebook Page.

ACTION: Jo Medlin will set up NSWALNC Facebook Page

The meeting confirmed that the conference would cost \$120 for the day for members and presenters from 1 Nov \$150 and \$80 student teachers.

Do we want to invite sponsorship for the conference? Teacher's Bank – pens, Bookshop for books for door prize? Department of Industry – Keiko going to ask as we develop their teachers? PWC?

8.4 Commonwealth inquiry in to transition from school to work

ACTION: Sue and Pam getting together to discuss

8.5 Items for the Newsletter

The workshop – Sue Roy

Conference

New Executive

The next meeting is Friday 21st July

The Meeting closed at 7.40 pm.