



**Regional Arts Victoria
2019 AGM
AGENDA**

Saturday 25 May 2019

Stratford Courthouse Theatre, 66 Princes Highway Stratford

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Approval of 2018 Annual General Meeting Minutes
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Appointment of Auditors
5. Board Nominations
6. Chair's Report
7. Close of AGM

Regional Arts Victoria Annual General Meeting

Saturday 26 May 2018

Basement Theatre, Footscray Community Arts Centre, 45 Moreland Street, Footscray VIC

AGM started at 12:09pm

1. Welcome and Apologies

N'arweet Carolyn Briggs Welcome to Country

Board B Esplin (Chair), K Paton, M Paten, P Giddings, J Stanley, E Jones, J John, R Brezzi, V Crane (Observer)
Staff J Toohey, A Kennedy, C Lambert, D Packard, E Guinness, E Bucovaz, L Zito, M Sanders, P Davies, T Dakin
Members Kate Baker, Christine Ford (Ruffartz), Eliza Tree, Allan Thatcher (Yea Arts Inc), Una Allender (Lake Bolac Eel Festival), Darren Vizer, PollyannaR, Mark Penzak, Eliza-Jane Gilchrist, Greg Pritchard (ACT Natimuk), R Abercrombie (Shepparton Festival)

The Chair acknowledged special guests N'arweet Carolyn Briggs; Steve Chenoweth, Auditor; Regional Arts Victoria Members, Board Members and staff

Apologies

Board: K Whitaker-Taylor, E Armitage

Members: Rodney Scherer, Dr Mark Selkrig, Deirdre Marshall, Brian W Hewitt, Helen Healy, Ellen Burton, Libbet Loughnan, Kathleen Whelan, Laura Brearley, Forest Keegel, Darryl Cordell, Fiona Smolenaars

Other: Linda Lucas (Creative Victoria)

2. Minutes

That the minutes of the 38th Annual General Meeting of the Regional Arts Victoria Board held at the State Library of Victoria Saturday 27 May 2017 be accepted.

Moved: P Giddings

Seconded: M Paten

Carried

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Chairs Report

The Chair spoke to his report as published in the Annual Report for the year ending 31 December 2017.

B Esplin emphasised that we're here to serve the Members, and encourage the Membership to be strong participants in Regional Arts Victoria. He also announced that next year the AGM will be held in a regional location.

5. Treasurers Report

Treasurer Julie Stanley spoke to the Financial Report for the year ending 31 December 2017.

Motion: That the audited financial statements dated 31 December 2017 be accepted.

Moved: B Esplin

Seconded: J John

Carried

6. Appointment of Auditors

Motion: That Steve Chenoweth of Finnegan Partners be appointed auditor for 2018.

Moved: K Paton

Seconded: R Brezzi

Carried

7. Board Nominations

As of March 28 2018, there were 5 eligible nominations for the Regional Arts Victoria Board of Management:

1. Elise Armitage
2. Helen Healy
3. Dr Greg Pritchard
4. Fiona Smolenaars
5. Karen Whitaker-Taylor

Leading into this AGM there were 4 vacancies for elected positions. A call for nominations was made. 5 eligible nominations were received at the close, requiring a postal ballot to be held in accordance with our Constitution.

A total of 479 ballot papers were issued to Members eligible to vote. By the close of voting on Friday 11 May 5pm, there were 65 valid and formal votes received and counted by the returning officer. The 65 formal ballot envelopes were opened and the ballot separated from the envelope to be counted. Votes on each ballot were counted twice to ensure accuracy of the results.

The results, in order of number of valid votes received, were:

- Greg Pritchard – 57 votes
- Elise Armitage – 52 votes
- Helen Healy – 51 votes
- Karen Whitaker-Taylor – 46 votes
- Fiona Smolenaars – 36 votes

With four vacancies, as Chair I therefore declare the newly elected directors are:

1. Dr Greg Pritchard
2. Elise Armitage
3. Helen Healy
4. Karen Whitaker-Taylor

The Chair welcomed new Board Members Greg Pritchard and Helen Healy. A motion of thanks was extended to Martin Paten and Peter Giddings who both retired from the Board this year after reaching their maximum tenure. Both Martin Paten and Peter Giddings thanked the Chair for his kind words, and acknowledged the efforts of the Board and the organisation as a whole.

8. Close of AGM

The Chair closed the meeting at 12:48pm

Date: _____

Chair of the Meeting

Bruce Esplin



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PROXY VOTING FORM

**Regional Arts Victoria
ACN 005 556 025 (Company)**

I, _____ (MEMBER NAME) being a member of Regional Arts Victoria, appoint
_____, of _____, (ORGANISATION IF APPLICABLE) or in their
absence, _____ (NAME), of _____ (ORGANISATION IF
APPLICABLE) as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the company
to be held on 25 May 2019 and at any adjournment of that meeting.

Signed electronically: _____

Date: _____