

Wellington Access Broadcasting Society Inc

Annual General Meeting

Sunday 16 October 2017
Wellington Access Radio

2pm-3pm

Present: Armando Baudin, Brendan Frost, Don Carson, Dorai Gounder, Eddie O'Strange, Fa'anu'u Anitere'a, Frank Eggleton, Jim Christie, Jim France, John Saunders, Robert Spencer, Susan Zou, Terry Shore, Trevor Pack, Victoria Quade.

Apologies: Akeletama Etuata, Allan Windsor, Bala Thomson, Charlotte Economu, Patricia Sexton, Tom Etuata, Tom Frewen.

Motion: that we accept the given apologies

Mover: Trevor

Seconded: Dorai

Motion carried

Note: Meeting started inquorate.

1. Minutes of 2016 AGM

Changes to be made:

John McD indicates John McDonald.

Victoria suggests that 'not' is crossed out to make sentence read 'people who have wanted to register'. A correction to proxy discussion on page 1.

Motion: that with corrections, these minutes be received as a true and correct record.

Mover: Don

Motion carried

2. Report of the Chair

Don: some of the difficulties that we have had as a station have been resolved. We can let the staff run the station.

We continue to share our frequency with Samoa Capital Radio. We would like a dedicated frequency to us. There should be a dedicated, non-commercial frequency for Pasifika broadcasters.

We are now on FM. Kristen takes the credit for taking the staff and Society through the transition. Kristen is to be thanked and commended for this.

Motion: to accept the Chair's report

Mover: Dorai

Seconded: Eddie

Motion carried

3. Report of the Treasurer

John: There are still medium and long term outstanding payments.

John is to present policy to the incoming council about encouraging people to pay on time, and a better billing system.

Motion: That the treasurer's report be accepted

Mover: Trevor

Seconded: Eddie

Motion carried

Motion: Grant Thornton to be reappointed as auditor 2018

Mover: Don

Motion carried

Action point: John is to ask to be charged in the social category, rather than commercial.

4. Report of the Station Manager

Kristen: we've retained the staff, shifted to FM, and are planning the FM launch and Christmas party for November.

We will keep testing the FM signal.

We will put an LPFM transmitter in Lower Hutt.

Satellite studios are planned, starting in Lower Hutt.

Motion: to accept the station manager's report

Mover: Dorai

Seconded: Frank

Motion carried

5. Consideration of remits on proxy voting and WABSI decision making

- a) Proxy votes from members on specific remits are emailed to the secretary before the meeting and the votes recorded as indicated by the proxy voter.
- b) Attending members are appointed as proxies for other members who are not attending the meeting. The member who attends holds the votes and can exercise them any way they want. A subset of this system is proxies are delegated to the chair of the meeting.
- c) That WABSI allow members, who attend a WABSI meeting, to hold open proxies on behalf of absent members, so long as the WABSI Secretary is notified at least 3 working days before the days of the meeting.
- d) That WABSI allow absent members to exercise a postal vote on agenda items, so long as that postal vote is received by the WABSI Secretary at least 3 working days before the day of the meeting.
- e) That WABSI does not allow proxy voting.

Members of council can use a proxy vote.
Discussion follows around these options.

Victoria wants b)
Frank wants d)

Motion: to accept c) with
Don: procedures are to be worked out at the next council meeting
Frank: people cannot collect pre-votes
Mover: Victoria
Seconded: John
Motion carried

Note: This motion was made quorate later on in the meeting.

6. Election of Council members 2017/18

The following candidates have nominated themselves:

Fa'anu'u Anitere'a
Frank Eggleton
Patricia Sexton
Don Carson

There are four members who have another year in their term:

Dorai Gounder
John Saunders
Eddie O'Strange
Ina Tekeu

There are therefore up to three council positions which the AGM may wish to fill from the floor of the meeting.

Don, Fa'anu'u and Franks give a spiel about themselves.
Don and Dorai endorse Patricia.

Motion: to vote the council members back in
Mover: Eddie
Seconded: Terry
Motion carried

Don opens up the floor to receive further nominations.

Susan Zou puts herself forward for nomination
Victoria nominates Susan
Seconded by Frank

Motion: that Susan be elected
Mover: Don
Motion carried

Motion: we appoint/elect one position at this meeting (leaving the opportunity to coopt two positions)
Mover: Don
Motion carried

7. General Business

Meeting went back to proxy question with quorum.

Don: decision making process should not be confined to AGMs and SGMs. We need to find a way to make decisions outside of those meetings, perhaps Loomio.

Don declares the meeting closed.