



Sombbrero Galaxy M104

Minutes of the second Annual General Meeting
at Melbourne RSL Club, 27 Windsor Place, Melbourne CBD
on 16th September 2009



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Agenda item

- 1 Meeting opened at 6:35 PM. The President extended a warm welcome to attendees.
Present - Members: Mervyn Binns, Russell Blackford, Paul Bray, Thomas Bull, Rob Gerrand, Bruce Gillespie, Michael F Green, Mark Loney, Carey Handfield, Perry Middlemiss, David Russell and Bill Wright.
- Guests: Helena Binns, Craig Hilton (administrator of the Meteor Incorporated Public Fund)
Apologies: Stephen Campbell, Eric Lindsay, Race Mathews, Rose Mitchell, Jean Weber, John Newman and Irwin Hirsh (administrator of the Meteor Incorporated Public Fund).
Proxies in favour of Bill Wright were received from Eric Lindsay, John Newman and Jean Weber.
Minutes of the inaugural AGM on 27th October 2008 were confirmed subject to correction.
- 2 **President's Annual Report to Members** was delivered and received.
- 3 **Treasurer's Financial Report** was delivered and received.
- 4 **Secretary's Report** was delivered and received.
- 5 **President's Annual Report** was approved unanimously.
Financial Report was explained by the Treasurer then approved unanimously.
Secretary's Report was approved unanimously subject to corrections relating to the following motion...
 A motion to amend clause 1 (3) in the Rules of the Association relating to Meteor Incorporated Public Fund
 - by changing 'Income Tax Assessment Act 1936' in line 3 to 'Income Tax Assessment Act (Cwth); and
 - by deleting the last sentence and replacing it with, "In the event of its dissolution, all assets remaining in Meteor Incorporated Public Fund shall be transferred to one or more funds with similar objects and which are also deductible gift recipients."
 was approved unanimously.
- 6 **Election of Office Bearers**
 Russell Blackford resigned from the committee and Bruce Gillespie was nominated to serve as a committee member in his place. There having been no other nominations,

Paul Bray (President)	BillWright (Secretary)
Mark Loney (Vice President)	Rob Gerrand (Committee Member)
Carey Handfield (Treasurer)	Bruce Gillespie (Committee Member)

 were declared elected to serve until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting.
 Bruce Gillespie is also Publicity Director by appointment. The post of Webmaster held by Michael Green is also a committee appointment, not an elective office.
- 7 **General Business:**
 David Russell drew attention to an error in the form of members' details that individual members are entitled to obtain from the Secretary, in that they currently exclude the date on which each member's name was entered on the register of members (a requirement under Rule 5). The Secretary undertook to rectify the omission in the case of future requests for members' details.
 Mark Loney referred to a sentence at the conclusion of the President's Annual Report that reads, "*What we need from fans is a commitment to get on board the campaign by giving consideration to making cash donations and bequests, even to the extent of revising their wills.*" Mark suggested that the committee should revisit that idea after deductible gift recipient status for the Meteor Incorporated Public Fund has been obtained. In the ensuing discussion it was suggested that specific guidance on making or re-making one's will should in due course be posted on the website www.meteor.org.au. It was further determined that specific wording should be included so as to have separate text for willing cash or willing material or collections to Meteor Incorporated Public Fund.
 Feedback on this or any other issue should be via the website, ie. go to the 'Contact Us' page and send Meteor Inc an e-mail.

The meeting closed at 7:13 PM, after which attendees adjourned for light refreshments and drinks at the bar.