

**MINUTES OF THE WHANGAREI THEATRE COMPANY'S AGM
HELD AT THE RIVERBANK CENTRE,
REYBURN HOUSE LANE,
WHANGAREI
11am SUNDAY 13th MARCH 2011**

Apologies: Val Russell, Barbara and Keith Thomson, Warwick Thompson, Marjorie Bowdler, Lynn Allen, Dave Mandeno, Alison Sargent, Lynne Cullen, Pamela Black, Jess Loftus.

MOTION: Ian Page proposed and Richard Bryham seconded that the apologies be accepted. **Carried.**

Minutes of the 2010 AGM:

Minutes were circulated and taken as read.

MOTION: Ian Page proposed and Alan Corry seconded that these minutes are a true and correct record of the 2010 meeting. **Carried.**

Matters Arising:

Carmen asked for a report on the progress at our Finlayson Street property. Ian reported that the progress had been slower than he had hoped due to the roof needed expensive repairs before the costumes and props could be stored there. The building was being used however for storage and building of set pieces.

Correspondence:

A letter was tabled from Lynn Allen as secretary of the James Rice Trust. Included in the letter was her apology for not attending the AGM and the audited accounts from the James Rice Trust. Also included was an invitation to apply for funds before October 2011 for training young people in singing and drama.

President's Report:

Ian Page read his report out to the meeting.

MOTION: Ian Page proposed and Carmen Faulkner seconded that the presidents report be accepted. **Carried.**

Treasurer's Report

Alison Thomson read her report summary out to the meeting. The audited accounts were circulated and taken as read.

MOTION: Alison Thomson proposed and Nigel Harrison seconded that the Treasurers report be accepted. **Carried.**

Discussion:

George Finlayson queried the entry of goods for the bar purchased for The Thing About Men being entered as a deficit when in actual fact the goods were carried over to the next show. Alison suggested that it may have been for accounting purposes but she will ask Sue Fordyce. Gayle Dowsett asked why our Grants total was so low when we had been granted at least \$5000 more in December 2010. The reason for this was that the entry occurs when the money is received and this did not happen until 2011.

Election of Officers and Committee

Nominated for the committee 2011,

Treasurer – Ray Palmer

Secretary – Gayle Dowsett

Committee – Barbara Trimmer
Jason Rigger
Richard Bryham
Penny Mashlan
Ruth Coulton
Alison Thomson
Lila Lusher
Pamela Black
Joel Stanners
Jess Loftus

MOTION: Ian Page proposed, and Nigel Harrison seconded, that we appoint Ray Palmer and Gayle Dowsett to the position of Treasurer and Secretary respectively, as they were nominated unopposed.

Carried

Ray addressed the meeting to introduce himself and convey to the meeting that he has vast experience in being a treasurer.

MOTION: Richard Bryham moved and Wade Rowsell seconded that we elect 10 members to our committee as nine elected members and 1 co-opted member. (Our constitution dictates we should have nine members on the committee other than the office holders). **Carried**

General Business

- Annual subscriptions

MOTION: Wade Rowsell moved and Geoff Heaps seconded that membership subscriptions become a flat rate of \$25 per member for the next financial year. **Carried** with 4 votes registered against the Motion.

- Alan Corry

Alan addressed the meeting to thank the committee for allowing him and his wife to have their 60th wedding anniversary on the final night of Disco Inferno and that his guests enjoyed the show immensely.

- Susan Alves addressed the meeting and asked the committee to consider not using the Hatea Room for shows because of the heat patrons had to endure during summer shows. The President stated the Forward Planning committee would bear her comments in mind as it planned next year's shows.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 11.45am