

# Minutes for AGM

# New England Regional Art Museum Ltd

Held at NERAM 28/06/2022 @ 17:30 PM – 18:00 PM AEST

Approved by Robert Clarke on 05 July 2022

# No. Minutes

#### 1. Attendance

Robert Clarke (Chair), Kim Taylor, Robert Faithfull, Carley McLaren, Geraldine Perkins, Pat Bradley, Rachael Parsons (NERAM Director), Bill Dangar, Kerry Dunne, Brian Connor, Pricilla Connor, Andrew Murray, Angus Nivison, Merran Pearson, Philip Wright, Lou Conway, Margaret Bain, Jack Bedson, Stephen Gow, Ady Hallam, Dora Koops, Lucinda Wright, Phillip Bookallil, Glenda Kupczyk Romanczuk, Moira Lloyd, Richard Bird, Trevor Edgar, Karin Von Strikirch.

#### 2. Apologies, Proxies, Quorum

Apologies: Alison Wright, Rose & Brice McCarthy, Patricia Seppelt, Dacre King, Mahalath Halperin, Joc Coventry, Anne Clarke, Peter Lloyd, Pam Koebel, David Hallam, Bernie Perkins, Janna Hayes, Fred Dangar, Ty Archibald, Paul Gaddes.

No Proxies.

Quorum achieved.

# 3. Confirm Minutes of Previous Meeting

# 3.A 2021-AGM-Minutes (1).pdf

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of NERAM Ltd held on 28 September 2021 were attached to the AGM papers.

#### Actions #3

(Closed) RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of NERAM Ltd held 28th September 2021 be accepted. MOVED: Pat Bradley. SECONDED: Kim Taylor. CARRIED.

# 4. Business Arising of Previous Meeting

5. Executive Reports

#### Robert Clarke presented his Chair's Report.

Acknowledged the continuing challenges of COVID19 on NERAM operation, noting that the despite this the year was still positive.

Acknowledged and thanked NERAM volunteers, supporters, staff, committees, and funding bodies (ARC, Create NSW, Margaret Olley Art Trust, NERAM Foundation).

Note the success of the Culture Club in bringing new audiences.

Thanked NERAM Ltd Board directors.

# Rachael Parsons gave short report on the 2021 activity of NERAM.

Thanked the NERAM community for their continued engagement and support.

Acknowledged the NERAM Staff for their commitment and professional work.



Thanked the NERAM Board for their support and governance. Thanked Lou Conway for her service on the NERAM Ltd Board.

Actions #5

(Closed) RESOLVED: That the Chair's Report be adopted. MOVED Carley McLaren. SECONDED Robert Faithful. CARRIED.

# 6. Finance Reports

Kim Taylor spoke to the 2021 Financial Reports.

# Formal thanks to NERAM Finance Officer Leah Gilby for her work on the Audit. Acknowledged Auditors Forsyths.

Financial statements show a continuation of the solid performance. While some continued COVID19 impact is evident the performance overall shows a near normal operation. Major differences between the year on year performance are mainly attributed to cessation of COVID relief funding and differences in the value of artworks donated to NERAM.

\*\* At the completion of the finance reports, Robert Clarke thanked Kim Taylor for all her work in preparing and managing NERAM's finance reports and overseeing the Finance Committee.

#### Actions #6

(Closed) RESOLVED: That the Financial Report be adopted. MOVED: Robert Clarke. SECONDED: Andrew Murray. CARRIED.

# 7. Foundation Report

Andrew Murray read the Foundation Report published in the NERAM 2021 Annual Report.

# 8. Appointment of Directors

8.A 2022 Nomination Forms.pdf

#### 8.B Board-Nominations-2022 (1).pdf

There is one Director seeking re-election in 2022.

• Pat Bradley\*

The following filled a causal vacancy during the year and are seeking election.

- Geraldine Perkins (since April 2022)
- Paul Gaddes\* (since June 2022)

#### Actions #8

(Closed) RESOLVED: That the following are duly elected to the Board at NERAM Ltd: Pat Bradley, Geraldine Perkins & Paul Gaddes. MOVED: Moira Lloyd. SECONDED: Lou Conway.

# 9. Appointment and Remuneration of Auditors

Motion: That: Forsyths be appointed as auditors of NERAM Ltd for a further 12 months

Actions #9

(Closed) RESOLVED: That Forsyths are appointed as auditor. MOVED: Kim Taylor SECONDED Angus Nivison CARRIED.

#### 10. Appointment of Patrons

In In accordance with the NERAM Limited Policy relating to the annual appointment of Patrons, the Directors make the following recommendation.

Motion: That:

- Mr Adam Marshall, MP, Member for Northern Tablelands
- Hon Barnaby Joyce, MP, Member for New England;



- Mr Barry Pearce, AM, Emeritus Curator Australian Art, Art Gallery of NSW and
- Dr Philip Bacon, AM, Director Philip Bacon Galleries

be appointed Patrons of NERAM Limited.

Actions #10

(Closed) RESOLVED: That · Mr Adam Marshall, MP, Member for Northern Tablelands, and · Hon Barnaby Joyce, MP Member for New England, · Mr Barry Pearce, AM, Emeritus Curator, Australian Art, Art Gallery of NSW and · Dr Philip Bacon, AM be appointed Patrons of NERAM Limited MOVED: Robert Clarke SECONDED: Andrew Murray CARRIED.

# 11. Discussion

Karin Von Stokirch questioned the NERAM Foundation Investment Committee's focus on ethical investing practices. Andrew Murray responded that the committee does conduct periodic checks of where manages funds are being invested but noted that this challenging given the volunteer nature of the committee the structure of current investments.

Brian Connor thanked the NERAM Board and Team for their work and success.

Actions #11

(Closed) Review minutes for meeting AGM Robert Clarke