

# MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND INC.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

# Saturday 27 May 2023 at 11:00am In-person at the MND QLD Office and Online via Teams

The meeting formally opened at 11:00am with President Diana Melham as Chair.

## 1. President's Welcome

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the meeting and acknowledged the traditional owners of the lands on behalf of participating members and guests.

The Chair introduced guests Prof Robert Henderson (Vice Patron) and Gethin Thomas Executive Director Research MNDA.

#### 2. Remembrance

The Chair asked the meeting to observe a period of silence to honour people who live with MND and their loved ones, as well as to remember those who have died.

# 3. Attendance, Apologies and Proxies

#### Members:

Sandra Biffin, Katie Choi (treasurer), Christine Courtney, Sonia Dziewierz, Leigh Gilbert, Sara Laffey, Ian Landreth, Elyse Maberley (Vice President), Bronwyn Makris, Keith Malpress (MC Member), Glen Martin, Diana Melham (President / Chair), John Moffet, Karen Mowles, Julia Rollston (Secretary), Janet Tancred, Stacey Thorpe (CEO), and Wayne Stanford.

#### Guests:

Prof Robert Henderson (Vice Patron), Gethin Thomas Executive Director Research MNDA, Maureen Stevenson, and Jason Reed (staff), Director of Care Services.

## **Apologies:**

Kathleen Bonnell, Dianne Brauer, Ann Buissink, Robert Collins, Denise Darken, Eddie de Bruyn, Peter Denham, Johanna Dinon, Carol Hope, Elliott Imbruglia, Rod Kent, Sandra Mooney, Evan Nunn, Michelle Prado, Jason Russell, Marian Schwarz, Louise Stanford, John Wearne, Margaret Wearne

## Proxies:

No proxies received.

## 4. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28 May 2022 were tabled. There were no questions or comments.

**RESOLUTION:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28 May 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting.

(Proposed: Elyse Maberley; Seconded: Ian Landreth)

# 5. Business Arising from Previous Annual General Meeting

There was no business arising from the previous Annual General Meeting.

# 6. Guest Speaker

The Chair introduced Gethin Thomas, Executive Director Research at MND Australia, who provided a presentation on current MND research being undertaken in Queensland.

#### 7. Celebration of Association Achievements 2022

The CEO highlighted MND Queensland's achievements during 2022 and the Director of Care Services outlined the experiences of two clients who received support from MND Queensland through its multidisciplinary service provision.

RESOLUTION: That the MND Queensland 2022 Annual Review be received.

(Proposed: Julia Rollston; Seconded: Keith Malpress)

#### Charles Graham Honour Award – Maureen Stevenson

The CEO outlined Maureen's significant contribution to and support of MND Queensland.

The meeting endorsed presentation of the award with a round of applause.

# 8. President's Report

The Chair / President highlighted points from her written report in the 2022 Annual Review, commending the dedication and passion of the staff and thanking the Management Committee members for their ongoing contribution and support.

RESOLUTION: That the President's Report be received.

(Proposed: Diana Melham; Seconded: Keith Malpress)

#### 9. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer highlighted points from her written report in the 2022 Annual Review.

RESOLUTION: That the Treasurer's Report be received.

(Proposed: Katie Choi; Seconded: Julia Rollston)

#### 10. 2022 Financial Statements and Auditor's Report

The Treasurer took the statements and report as read and opened the floor for questions. As there were no questions, the Treasurer recommended the statements and report to the meeting.

RESOLUTION: That the 2022 Audited Financial Statements and Auditor's Report be received.

(Proposed: Katie Choi; Seconded: Christine Courtney)

### 11. Appointment of Auditor

*RESOLUTION:* That the Management Committee recommends to the members that REM Auditors be appointed as the Association's auditor for the 2022 financial year.

(Proposed: Ian Landreth; Seconded: Christine Courtney)

# 12. Management Committee Members

The Chair thanked outgoing Management Committee members Carol Hope and Michelle Prado for their contribution to MND Queensland during their time on the Committee.

The Chair declared the positions of Vice President, Secretary, and all Ordinary members vacant.

### Vice President

The Chair confirmed one nomination for the position of Vice President had been received from Elyse Maberley, and declared Elyse elected unopposed.

## **Secretary**

The Chair confirmed one nomination for the position of Secretary had been received from Julia Rollston, and declared Julia elected unopposed.

## **Ordinary Member**

The Chair confirmed one nomination for an Ordinary Member had been received from Keith Malpress, and declared Keith elected unopposed.

The Chair thanked the current and re-elected members of the Management Committee for volunteering their time to guide and oversee MND Queensland.

#### 13. Close

The Chair invited questions from the floor.

There being no questions or further business the Chair closed the meeting at 11:51am.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting:

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