



2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 14th December 2018 – 6.45pm

Labor Club – Whitlam Room – Chandler Street Belconnen

MINUTES

1. Open/Welcome address by President Ricky Bryan – Meeting Opened at 6.45pm

The President welcomed all members to the 9th Annual General Meeting. The President also acknowledge the land on which the meeting is occurring and paid his respect to the elders past and present.

Ricky talked about awful weather today, thank you for your time to come to the meeting. Also reminder the audiences who want to become DeafACT members, so need to fill the membership forms before we start process, the membership fee is only \$10 at the moment, soon in the future, fee will be raise little more.

Also Ricky would like to thank Chloe Nash and Mark Parkinson for their efforts for many years as they are stepping down from this AGM.

Chloe Nash agreed to be the Minute Taker for this AGM.

2. Rollcall and check of the quorum

2.1 Attendance

The rollcall was performed and the necessary quorum was ascertained.

23 Members/Observers presented. See below of their signatures.

DeafACT Board/Committee:

Ricky Bryan

Chloe Nash

Mark Parkinson

Ronald Franklin

Warren Love

Rona Lazo-Treleggon

Louise Irvine

Juliet Dowling

Members:

Diana Ciuffetelli

Lauren Reed

Zara Maxwell-Smith

Observers:

Cathy Bryan

Rod Irvine

Kim Bryan

William Carey

Gordon Campbell (SRA Sponsored)

Hayden Stephenson

Interpreter:
Sheree Murray

Sean Sweeney



Deaf Advocacy, Sports & Recreation ACT Inc. – Trading as DeafACT

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Time:

6pm for 6.30pm

ATTENDING

Name	Signature	Name	Signatures
1. Ricky Bryan (President)		29.	
2. Rona Lazo-Treleggon (Vice-President)		30.	
3. Chloe Nash (Secretary)		31.	
4. Mark Parkinson (Treasurer & Public Officer)		32.	
5. Ronald Franklin (Committee)		33.	
6. Vera Hall (Committee)		34.	
7. Warren Love (Committee)		35.	
8. Juliet Dowling (Committee)		36.	
9. Louise Irvine (Committee)		37.	
10. Brooke Pape (Committee) Proxy		38.	
11. Daniel Shannon		39.	
12. Sheree Murray - Interpreter		40.	
13. Diana Cuffatelli		41.	
14. Red IRVINE		42.	
15. Kim Bryan		43.	
16. William Carey		44.	
17. Cathy Bryan		45.	
18. Haydn Stephenson		46.	
19. Sean Sweeney		47.	
20. Lauren Reed		48.	
21. Zarah Maxwell-Burke		49.	
22. Rona Lazo		50.	
23. Gordon Campbell			
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Apologies:

Apologies were received from Brooke Pape (Proxy), Tamara Hone, Max & Vera Hall, Sarah Ashleigh, Karen Heath, Virginia Dixon, Aisha Hitaua, Heather Mertin, John Mertin, Gregory Ratford, Shane Mundy and Anthony Bandle (Auditor).

2.2 Proxies:

One Proxy were received

- Brooke Pape

3. Call for any additional business:

Nil of additional business arises

4. Minutes of the previous AGM

4.1 Matters arising from the 7th AGM

There were no matters arising.

Motion: The Minutes of the 8th AGM, accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Moved: Warren Love

Seconded: Mark Parkinson

Motion carried.

5. Presentation of the 2017-2018 Annual Report

The President (Ricky Bryan) outlined the work and activities for the 2017-2018 year and noted that it was a successful year and how far DeafACT has come since its foundation in June 2010. He referred to the large number of activities as outlined in the report:

“The President’s report is always a bit like an apostrophe dig given its December and our reporting year is 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

Obviously it was an Australian Deaf Games year with our little ACT team again performing above expectations, we also had representatives compete in National and International Deaf Championships, and we continued our captioned movie relationship with Limelight and built a stronger relationship with the ACT Government.

Working chronologically the highlights included:

JULY 2017

- *On the very first of July during this reporting period, we held that fateful Deafness Awareness game between the Raiders and the Cowboys. Those who were there will no doubt remember the apparent minus six-degree temperatures. We have not had the chance to repeat this event since with any of our major football clubs but it’s worth noting that the NRL and AFL have since held several other deaf friendly initiatives in other cities.*
- *Our Touch teams competed in local winter competitions in preparation for the Australian Deaf Games.*
- *22 July: we held an open captioned screening of Spider-Man: Homecoming with Limelight*
- *23 July: Gungahlin Bunning’s BBQ Fundraiser.*
- *29 July: Christmas in July Trivia night with Canberra Deaf Club, 82 people attended.*

AUGUST 2017

- *6 August: NGA Namitjira Auslan tour.*
- *23 August: Technology workshop for Deaf people, conjunction with Conexu Foundation and The Deaf Society*
- *Silent Sports challenge held 24 August.*

SEPTEMBER 2017

- *TEDX Canberra captioned event.*

NOVEMBER 2017

- *25 November: Bunning BBQ fundraiser at Tuggeranong.*
- *26 November: we held an open captioned screening of Justice League with Limelight*
- *NGA Auslan Tour of Hyper Real with Auslan.*

DECEMBER 2017

- 16 December: we held our Christmas Party with Canberra Deaf Club and 2018 ADG Uniforms presentation night.
- 22 December: we held an open captioned screening of Star Wars with Limelight as a fundraiser.

JANUARY 2018

- The Australian Deaf Games held in Albury Wodonga in Late January was an amazing event. I personally competed in Touch and Futsal and greatly enjoyed it. It was thrilling to see the ACT come third in the JML Cup!
- We have Paige Edwards, Stephanie Noujaim, Aisha Hitaua and Rona Lazo-Treloggen selected to play in the Australia-NZ Futsal friendly matches game. Paige was in Australia Team and other three girls played for NZ team due of their NZ girls' short numbers.
- The ACT Beach Volleyball team did well with gold in the women's pairs and silver in the men's. These are Rona Lazo-Treloggen with Aisha Hitaua for gold & Ronald Franklin with Greg Ophel for silver.
- The ACT Touch teams (men's, women's and mixed) won bronze, very tough games from QLD and NSW Teams.
- Other notable results include Athletics and Darts, these are:
 - In Darts – they were very close to winning the bronze, but just missed out in the Team division – the players for this were Anthony Reid, Paul Hulands, Heather Mertin, Gregory Ratford and John Mertin.
 - In Athletics – had 5 ACT participants, some of them got medals, these are:
 - Paige Edwards – 4 medals (1 gold in javelin, 3 bronzes in 800m, 1500m & High jump)
 - Rhiannon Ransley – 4 medals (2 silvers in 200m & javelin, 2 bronzes in 400m & Shot put)
 - Ronald Franklin – 2 medals (1 silver in High jump, 1 bronze in Shot put)
 - Sarah Ashleigh – 1 medal (1 bronze in long jump)
 - Eden Thomas – he did well in the Athletics, close to get the top three in 400m whereas he came 4th, a great experience and likely to improve in future games.
- Netball whereas our two female talent players, Sarah Ashleigh and Rhiannon Ransley were involved into a combined states team for women's and mixed whereas they got bronze medals for both divisions.
- All from a team of ACT of just 22 participants.
- Our thanks to ADG uniform sponsors SRA Solutions for \$5,000 and NGT Consulting ACT for \$1,000.

MARCH 2018

- 4 March: we held an open captioned screening of Black Panther with Limelight.
- We helped to promote an Auslan Interpreted floor talk at the Canberra Museum and Gallery.

APRIL 2018

- 8 April: we held an open captioned screening of Peter Rabbit with Limelight.
- We had Aisha Hitaua and Rona Lazo-Treloggen competed for Australia Women's against England in the Deaf Rugby 7's.
- 21 April: there was an Auslan interpreted performance of Antony and Cleopatra by Bell Shakespeare.
- 29 April: we held an open captioned screening of Infinity War with Limelight.

MAY 2018

- Following an announcement by Chloe Nash (secretary) and Mark Parkinson (Treasurer) that they will be stepping down from the board we put an open letter out for new board members resulting in three new resulting in Louise Irvine, Brooke Pape and Juliet Dowling joining us.
- 19 May: we held a fundraising BBQ at Crace shops.
- 20 May: we held an open captioned screening of Deadpool 2 with Limelight.

- 27 May: we held an open captioned screening of the movie Solo with Limelight.

JUNE 2018

- We commenced our first ever wine fundraiser. It is still ongoing but it appears to have been a reasonable fundraiser for us and no doubt report on the final result.
- We held a member survey – basically you told us you wanted more of the same! Support for our sporting teams, advocacy and social events.
- On 17 June: we held a screening of Incredibles II.

Heading into this year our push will be on stabilising our financial and governance position with new board members providing fresh enthusiasm and insights, reviewing and taking advantage of any opportunities that might come our way and continuing to provide the things you have asked of us that is support for sports presentation, advocacy and opportunities for social interaction. “

Motion: That the Annual Report present by the President be accepted.

Moved: Ricky Bryan

Seconded: Rona Lazo-Treleggon

Motion carried.

6. Presentation of the 2017-18 Annual Financial Statement

The Treasurer presented the Annual Financial Statement to the meeting.

Motion: That the meeting receives and accept the financial statement as a true account for the 2017-18 financial year.

Moved: Mark Parkinson

Seconded: Louise Irvine

Motion carried.

7. Appointment of the Returning Officer and scrutineers.

The Acting President stood down from the Chair.

Rod Irvine was appointed Returning Officer by general agreement of the meeting.

8. Election and Induction of office bearers.

8.1 Proxies reminder

We have one proxy that wants to be in the Board

- Brooke Pape (committee)

8.2 President: One nomination – Ricky Bryan was nominated off nomination form by Mark Parkinson & Chloe Nash. Ricky accepted and was elected unopposed.

8.3 Vice President: One nomination – Rona Lazo-Treleggon was nominated off nomination form by Chloe Nash & Mark Parkinson. Rona accepted and was elected unopposed.

8.4 Secretary: Chloe Nash withdrawn the nomination as she is stepping down, so we have one new person who is Louise Irvine, she was nominated off nomination form by Chloe Nash & Mark Parkinson. Louise accepted and was elected unopposed.

8.5 Treasurer & Public Officer: Mark Parkinson withdrawn the nomination as he is stepping down, so we have one new person who is Juliet Dowling, she was nominated off nomination form by Mark Parkinson & Chloe Nash. Juliet accepted and was elected unopposed.

8.6 General Committee Members (up to 10 positions):

From the nomination form:

- Brooke Pape (off Proxy) – nominated by Diana Ciuffetelli and Chloe Nash
- Ronald Franklin – nominated by Chloe Nash and Louise Irvine

From the floor nomination:

- Diana Ciuffetelli – nominated by Chloe Nash & Rona Lazo-Treloggen

Brooke and Ronald, Diana were accepted and elected unopposed.

There have few disagreed by Chloe on the floor due couple hearing members wants to be in the board but cannot allow to do that due of the constitution, but hold on that till board meeting to discuss over the constitution might need change, possible set up as “Special General Meeting” (SGM) in early 2019 to see if can “parents of deaf child” to be in the DeafACT Board otherwise can only do “subcommittee” instead.

Congratulations to the DeafACT Board of 2017-2018 (old and new):

President: Ricky Bryan

Vice-President: Rona Lazo-Treleggon

Secretary: Louise Irvine

Treasurer & Public Officer: Juliet Dowling

General Committee: Ronald Franklin, Brooke Pape & Diana Ciuffetelli

Ricky takes over the chair from Rod.

We would like to thank Vera Hall, Warren Love and especially two potential outgoing executives Chloe Nash and Mark Parkinson who have stepped down, for their involvement in the DeafACT board for 2016-2017.

We will email and facebook to see get more committee onto the board, will communicate via emails within board.

9. Appointment of Auditors.

Motion: That Anthony Bandle be reappointed as Auditor. – will hold this till next meeting, possible change auditor – probably under DSA or Juliet (Juliet is book keeping).

Moved: Ricky Bryan

Seconded: Louise Irvine

Motion carried.

10. General Business:

Sponsorship Presentation

Ricky would like to thank to our two main sponsors for past 2017-2018 especially Australian Deaf Games, these are NGT Consulting and Server Rack Australia Solutions (SRA). We have two special people attended, these are Gordon Campbell from SRA and Neil Thomas from NGT Consulting.

Ricky presented two frames with 2016 & 2018 ADG Uniform with group photo to SRA Co-Owner – Gordon Campbell

Ricky presented one frame with 2018 ADG uniform with group photo to NGT Consulting – Neil Thomas

11. Announcement of date, place and time of the AGM

It was agreed that the newly committee would discuss and set a date and time for the next AGM possible in December 2019.

Incoming President Ricky thanked all present and the interpreters for their service on behalf of DeafACT.

The AGM meeting closed at 7.25pm and tea/coffee refreshment provided.