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U3A CAIRNS INC. GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON 20th APRIL, 2018

At U3A Offices, 129 Mulgrave Road, Cairns.

Welcome: The President Ron Powell opened the meeting at 2:00p.m. and welcomed all members and guests.

Present: 25 Attendees – See attached Attendance Register.

Apologies: 3 Apologies were received – See attached Apology Register.

Minutes: The Minutes from the General Meeting held on 31st March, 2017 were presented. Rosa Powell asked that they be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting. Seconded by Denise Collier. Carried.

Matters Arising from the Minutes: There were no matters arising.

President's Report: Ron Powell reported that U3A Cairns is in very good shape. Membership has reached 600 and we are averaging 50 classes per week. Ron thanked members of the Management Committee for their work and dedication to the smooth running of the club and also thanked receptionist, tutors and conveners. He then introduced three new members to the Committee, Lyn Pellett – Secretary, Rosa Powell – Minute Secretary and Gretchen Dickins – JCU Liaison Coordinator. Ron asked all members to consider becoming volunteers as we are always in need of extra people willing to assist.

2018 has started well for U3A Cairns and all points indicate that this will continue.

Ron moved that his report be accepted, and Nancy Hunter seconded.

Treasurer's Report! Bronwyn Pedler presented her report – See attached copy.

Bronwyn moved that her report be accepted and Noalene Day seconded. Carried.

Guest Speaker: Phil Ackman gave an informative, challenging and entertaining talk on "Surviving Technology In The Next Ten Years" Phil then answered several questions from members. Rosa Powell presented Phil with a small token of appreciation which was followed by a round of applause.

Mr. Max Harker stated that a discussion was held following the August AGM and a motion moved regarding behaviour of those attending JCU. As Minutes from this meeting were not available the subject was held over.

Ron Powell contacted Lisa Donlan re Procedure Advice. She stated:-

The B-Law was passed by members at a General Meeting and is effective immediately and cannot be amended or repealed without going back to a General Meeting. There is no reason to have the decision ratified again.

As there was no further business the President closed the meeting at 2:45p.m., thanked everyone for their attendance and invited all to join in Afternoon Tea.