



Minutes of the 19th BRaid Annual General Meeting held on Friday October 27, 2024, 2.00pm at DOC office, 31 Nga Mahi Road, Sockburn, Christchurch

The Chairman, Nick Ledgard, welcomed those present: Sonny Whitelaw, Frances Schmechel and Miles Burford(ESCan), Edith and Peter Smith, Sue Mardon, Grant Davey, Jim Jolly, Diana Shand, Peter Langlands.

Apologies: Ellery Mayence, Val Clemens, Peter Howden, Donna Field, Nicky Snoyink. Sue / Edith Carried

Minutes of the AGM (October 6th 2023) were confirmed as a true and correct record. Nick/Sue Carried

Matters Arising: Three Action Items – 2 actioned and the third, Charities Law changes, dealt with at this meeting (see below).

Chairman's report: Nick presented his report outlining BRaid activity in the past year. Moved by Nick / Sue that the Report be received. Carried. This report is available on the BRaid website.

Manager's Report: Sonny presented her manager's report (available on BRaid website). Nick thanked Sonny for 'holding BRaid together'. Nick/Sue Carried

Treasurers Report and Presentation of Financial Statement: Sue presented the annual accounts, including statement of Receipts and Payments as at June 30th 2024, plus a Statement of Resources and Commitments. This financial report has yet to be reviewed by Community Capacity Accounting (CCA). It can be viewed on the BRaid website. Sue moved that the statement and the list of payments for the past year be accepted, subject to approval by CCA. Nick seconded. Carried

Election of Officers: Last year's officers were re-elected. Chairman: Nick Ledgard (Edith / Sue). Secretary: Edith Smith (minute secretary position remains with Nick) (Sonny/Nick). Treasurer: Sue Mardon (Nick/ Dianna)

Committee: Formerly called the Management Committee. Nick, Sonny, Edith, Sue, Ailsa Howard, Ellery Mayence or DOC rep, Frances Schmechel or ESCan rep. Provisionally approved until agreement received from those not present.

Action: Sonny to confirm with Bev and Ailsa relative to their inclusion (or not) in the Committee.

Reviewer: Moved that Community Capacity Accounting be retained. Sue / Nick. Carried

Signatories: Sue, Nick and Edith. Nick / Sonny. Carried.

Member donations: At the 2021 AGM member subscriptions were suspended. Members were invited to make donations which have since exceeded the amount gained by subscriptions. Meeting agreed that there was no need to renew subscription funding.

General Business:

Charities Law change. Over the last year, Sue and Sonny have addressed this issue, and amended our Constitution accordingly. Prior to the AGM, the amended constitution was circulated to members for approval. This was obtained, with the addition under clause '11.2 Annual General Meetings: business' that the Committee presents 'annual financial statements for the period *that are checked by an independent person*'. It was moved and approved (Sue/Sonny) that we reregister as an Incorporated Society under the name BRaid Inc., with the new Constitution as approved by members and this meeting. It was agreed that our registered address remain that of Sonny, with the back-up address being Nick's (191Carrs road, Loburn RD2, Rangiora 7472, Canterbury). The contact person remain as Sue. This section of the meeting concluded with the circulation of our annual Performance Report, which was approved. A vote of thanks was passed to Sue and Sonny for completing this demanding task of 'rewriting' our Constitution.

Standardising braided river bird database and access. Miles Burford addressed this as he needed to depart early. The matter is covered in the minutes of the General Meeting (held immediately after this AGM).

AGM concluded at 2.45 pm

Action:

- Sonny to confirm with Bev and Ailsa relative to their inclusion (or not) in our Committee.

Signed:

Date: