



**Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> BRaid Annual General Meeting held on Friday October 6, 2023, 1.00pm at DOC office, 31 Nga Mahi Road, Sockburn, Christchurch**

The Chairman, Nick Ledgard, welcomed those present: Frances Schmechel, Sonny Whitelaw, Edith Smith, Sue Mardon, Ailsa and Ted Howard (virtual).

**Apologies:** Val Clemens, Peter Howden, Jim Jolly, Donna Field. Nick / Sue Carried

**Minutes of the AGM (Sept 16th 2022)** were confirmed as a true and correct record. Nick/Ailsa Carried

**Matters Arising:** None.

**Chairman's report:** Nick presented his report outlining BRaid activity in the past year. Moved by Nick / Sonny 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). Sonny has spent less time on social media, as she finds it time-consuming and too open to abusive feedback. Manager funding was discussed, and is covered through to 2025. Nick thanked Sonny for 'holding BRaid together'. Sonny/Nick Carried

**Treasurers Report and Presentation of checked Financial Statement:** Sue presented the checked annual accounts, including statement of Receipts and Payments as at June 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 and a Statement of Resources and Commitments. On Dec 2, 2022 we changed from Heartland Bank to ANZ Bank. Our balance as at June 30, 2023 was \$38,527. This financial report can be viewed on the BRaid website. Sue moved that the statement and the list of payments for the past year be retrospectively approved. Nick seconded. Carried

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

**Management Committee:** Nick, Sonny, Edith, Sue, Jim, Bev (OSNZ), Ailsa Howard, Ellery Mayence or DOC rep, Frances Schmechel or ECan rep. Provisionally approved until agreement received from those not present. Frances suggested that the next Newsletter contain an invitation for others to express interest in being on the committee.

**Charities Law change.** Within the next 2 years, new commitments will be required for charities such as BRaid. It was agreed that a sub-committee of Sue and Sonny be formed (Ted/Frances, carried) to look into this and prepare recommendations for approval at the 2024 AGM.

**Reviewer:** Community Capacity Accounting. Nick / Sonny. Carried

**Signatories:** Sue, Nick and Edith. Frances / Sue. Carried.

**Member donations:** A sum of \$580 received from 16 members. At the 2021 AGM member subscriptions were suspended. Members were invited to make donations that are tax-deductible and GST exclusive. Of the 298 names on our emailing list, 146 are registered members who supplied full contact details. A request for donations to be made in every newsletter.

**General Business:** None.

AGM concluded at 1.54pm

**Actions:**

- Nick to write to Committee members seeking agreement to be on Committee.
- Sonny and Sue to look at Charities Law changes, and prepare recommendations for approval at the 2024 AGM
- Sonny to notify opportunity for donations to BRaid in newsletters.

**Signed:**

**Date:**