



# PAPUA NEW GUINEA ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA, Inc.

Incorporated in New South Wales - ABN 35 027 362 171  
Incorporating the former Rabaul & Montevideo Maru Society

## COMMITTEE MEETING

### MINUTES

Tuesday 17 May 2022 via Zoom

Agenda Item	Action
<p>Meeting commenced at 7.00pm</p> <p><b>1. MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES</b></p> <p><b>Attendees:</b> Chris Pearsall, John Egerton, Andrea Williams, Phil Ainsworth, Norma Dewick, Gaynor Kaad, Chris Warrillow, Murrough Benson (left meeting at 7.21pm)</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Roy Ranney, Cheryl Marvel</p>	
<p><b>2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16 FEBRUARY 2022</b></p> <p>Copies of the minutes were emailed to all committee members by Gaynor on 14 May 2022. It was <b>moved</b> by John Egerton and <b>seconded</b> by Andrea Williams that <i>the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February be taken as read</i>. All in favour. <b>CARRIED</b>.</p>	
<p><b>3. ELECTRONIC MOTIONS TO BE RATIFIED</b></p> <p>The committee <b>ratified</b> the following motion, which was emailed by Andrea to all committee members on 15 March 2022, and was electronically approved: that <i>an amount of \$4,973.00 (including GST) be expended from the Rabaul and Montevideo Maru Reserve to erect a commemorative seat (\$3,686.00) and sign board (\$1,287.00) for the sinking of the MS Montevideo Maru at Mornington Memorial Park on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria</i>.</p> <p>The committee <b>ratified</b> the following motion, which was emailed by Murrough to all committee members on 18 April 2022, and was electronically approved: that <i>the PNGAA Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 be adopted</i>.</p>	
<p><b>4. WRAP UP OF 2022 AGM</b></p> <p>The committee agreed that the AGM went well and members enjoyed the guest speakers. Some feedback from members by way of emails will be published in the next issue of <i>PNG Kundu</i>.</p>	

<p><b>5. NOTIFICATION TO NSW FAIR TRADING OF CHANGE OF PUBLIC OFFICER AND OFFICIAL ADDRESS</b></p> <p>Gaynor confirmed she had ordered and received from Fair Trading an extract in relation to documents available on the Public Register. It showed Murrough Benson as public officer and 37 Findlay Avenue, Roseville NSW 2069 as the official address. Gaynor is preparing a <i>Form A9 Notice of appointment of public officer and Notice of change of association address</i> for signature by Chris Pearsall and lodgement with Fair Trading, to be followed by lodgement of <i>Form A12 - T2 Annual summary of financial affairs Tier 2</i> before 27 May.</p> <p>Chris noted that he currently receives email at 3 different email addresses and would prefer for all PNGAA-related email to be sent to: <a href="mailto:cpearsall51@live.com">cpearsall51@live.com</a></p>	Gaynor
<p><b>6. APPOINTMENT OF NEW SECRETARY</b></p> <p>At the AGM Chris had introduced Gaynor Kaad to members as the new secretary and the appointment was confirmed at this meeting. It was <b>moved</b> by Chris Pearsall and <b>seconded</b> by Andrea Williams that <i>Gaynor Kaad be appointed to fill the casual vacancy for the position of secretary</i>. All in favour. <b>CARRIED.</b></p>	
<p><b>7. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION</b></p> <p><i>Items a - d:</i> these had been covered at the AGM and nothing new was added to the discussion.</p> <p><i>Item e:</i> a proposed musical evening with a Papuan opera singer now residing in Brisbane, was discussed. Andrea commented that such an event should be advertised to members well in advance and, as the June issue of <i>PNG Kundu</i> was imminent, notice would need to go into the September issue about a November date. Otherwise it may be better to hold the event in 2023.</p> <p><i>Item f:</i> discussion about the three Montevideo Maru events (dinner, last post and commemorative service) to be held in Canberra on the 80th anniversary of the the tragedy highlighted the need for an events coordinator.</p> <p><i>Item g:</i> held over until next meeting.</p>	planning not yet allocated
<p><b>8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p>Held over until next meeting as Zoom session ended.</p>	
<p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b> date to be confirmed.</p>	
<p>Meeting closed at 7.30pm due to expiration of Zoom session.</p>	