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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 21st Annual General Meeting of the Sexual Health Society of Queensland Inc was held in the University of Queensland Club, Staff House Rd, The University of Queensland, St Lucia, Brisbane at 6.00pm on Saturday 8th August 2009.

The Vice President, Dr Diane Rowling declared the meeting open at 11.30am

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Present

Brenda Henry	Steve Lambert	Caroline Harvey
Margaret Mobbs	Joe Debattista	John Dwyer
Ricki Menzies	Mim O'Flynn	Judith Dean
Di Rowling	David Jardine	Bella George
Sam White ²	Trevor Topfer ¹	

Apologies

Margot Kingston	Diane Taylor	John Patten
Kay Strom	Caren Tucker	Christine Remington
Kelsey Powell	Lorraine Buks	Jo Leamy
Katie Barker	Cheryl Sendall	Jeanne M Joss-Reid
Amanda Pease	Lynn Kennedy	Jo Taylor
Dale Symons	Maureen Ruge	Dene Campbell
Solonica Walz	Peter Chambers	Children By Choice
Rohan Bopage		

Proxy votes received from Peter Watts; Loarraine Buks; Joanne Leamy; Dene Campbell

Notes:

1. Corporate members (non voting)
2. Non Member

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It was moved that the minutes of the Annual General meeting held on Wednesday 6th August 2008 approved.

Moved: Judith Dean
Seconded: Ricki Menzies
Carried

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF 2008 AGM

nil

2008–9 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Kay Haig submitted the President’s report in writing and spoke to this on her arrival. (filed with original copy of minutes).

2008-9 TREASURER’S REPORT AND AUDITOR’S REPORT

Brenda Henry presented the report, acknowledging that this was the last report to be presented after many many years as Brenda is resigning as Treasurer of the SHSQ.

Brenda presented a report of trends over the whole time, including:

- 10 members sponsored to attend conferences
- 19 occurrences of members sponsored to attend SHSQ events
- Membership increased from 30 to just over 120
- In addition, two significant sponsorships of annual sexual health conferences have occurred.

Brenda thanked Dr John Chuah for his generosity over the last ten years as the sexual health service on the Gold Coast has absorbed all postage, stationery and PO Box fees over that time.

Brenda also expressed thanks to all the committee members that have been involved (report filed with original copy of minutes).

Corporate sponsors were also thanked by the Treasurer.

A formal vote of thanks was moved to thank Dot Henry for her untiring contribution to the SHSQ during the time of Brenda’s role as treasurer

Moved: Caroline Harvey

Seconded: Di Rowling

Carried with loud applause.

A formal vote of thanks also was moved to thank Brenda Henry for her stewardship, leadership and untiring contribution to the SHSQ during her time as treasurer.

Moved: David Jardine

Seconded: Di Rowling

Carried with loud applause.

2008-9 SECRETARY’S REPORT

Steve Lambert spoke to and tabled his report outlining the activities of the last 12 months (filed with original copy of minutes).

A formal vote of thanks also was moved to thank Sam White for the work ‘above and beyond the call of duty’ while providing secretariat support to the SHSQ.

Moved: Steve Lambert

Seconded: David Jardine

Carried with loud applause.

Reports were noted.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

All positions were declared vacant.

It was noted that one nomination had been received for the following positions on the committee. All being unopposed the incoming committee members are:

President:	Dr Kay Haig
Vice president:	Ms Brenda Henry
Secretary:	Ms Maryna Brands
Treasurer:	Ms Katie Barker
Ordinary member:	Ms Judith Dean
Ordinary member:	Ms Lauren Gill
Ordinary member:	Dr Stuart Aitken
Ordinary member:	Dr Mekala Srirajalingam

Nominations accepted

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR –Brenda Henry proposed the continuing of Smith & Ings Pty limited as the auditors to the Society

Moved:	David Jardine
Seconded:	John Dwyer
Carried:	Unopposed

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Secretariat Support

That the SHSQ contract the HIV & HCV Education Projects of the School of Medicine, The University of Queensland to provide secretariat support for the Society for the next 12 months (until and including the 2010 AGM) to the cost of \$2000.00.

Moved:	Brenda Henry
Seconded:	Caroline Harvey
Passed:	Unopposed. 1 abstention – Steve Lambert

During the discussion it was noted that the amount offered was a nominal fee and did not represent the workload undertaken. It was also noted that in the next 12 months, Brad Reuter will be the contact for Secretariat support. It was agreed that a terms of reference be drafted for the work of the secretariat.

Other business without Notice

1. Life membership for Prof Michael Whitby

Brenda Henry proposed that Prof Michael Whitby be offered life membership of the Sexual Health Society of Queensland. Brenda discussed the reasons behind this proposal and discussion among the membership ensued.

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It was noted that the position of life membership was intended for those who were retired or were moving from the sexual health sector and that at this stage offer of life membership may be slightly premature. It was agreed to refer this to the new committee for discussion.

It was moved that the SHSQ acknowledge the long term contribution of Michael Whitby.

Moved:	David Jardine
Seconded:	John Dwyer
Carried with applause.	

2. Sexual Health Journal. Should we still be doing it.

The cost of the journal was raised in the context of cost vs benefit. It was agreed that one of the reasons for the contribution was to support the viability of the journal as well as allowing access to members of the SHSQ. The concept of making the journal subscription optional was discussed in detail and the AGM agreed to refer this to the new committee for further thought.

3. Membership fees

There was also discussion of increasing membership fees. This discussion has occurred a number of times. It is recognised that an increase may impact on a majority of members to be able to continue with membership. AGM also agreed to refer this to the new committee.

4. Thanks by Sexual Health conference by chair, Dr David Jardine

On behalf of the Sexual Health Conference organising committee, David thanked the SHSQ for their support of education at the conference. David noted there will be:

1. A trainee breakfast
2. A women's health session. Including presentation by Colm O'Mahoney
3. Graeme Neilsen and Claudia Eastcourt sponsored by the SHSQ.

The Meeting formally closed at 12.00 noon

Signed _____ President

Date ____ / ____ / ____