



NSW Association of Fire Investigators Inc

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 4th August 2016

Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club, Ryedale Rd, West Ryde.

Meeting Opened. 1810

Bob McKay chairing the meeting

Present.

BJ Jones, Taylor Pallaton, Angus Bullough, Stuart Farleigh, Rick Miller, Mark Pellegrino, Rob King, Sonia Scott, Jim Munday, Shane Bryant, Jonathan Gauci, Ben Robb, Steve Apps, Colin Eldridge, David O'Brien, Vithyaa Tharopalan, Neville Wearne, Bern Daley, Mark Hamilton, Warwick Thomson, Barry Sutherland, Bob McKay, Vic Walker, Andrew Fielding, Paul Sweeney, Jason Taylor, Radka Duncan, Alexander Visotin, Peter Jeffrey, Michael Forbes,

Apologies.

Jeff Sinton

Minutes.

Moved: Acceptance of the minutes of the previous AGM

Moved – Michael Forbes

Second – Jim Munday

Vote: CARRIED

President's Report.

Michael Forbes thanked Morgan Cook for his work as Secretary of the NSWAFI and his contribution to the Association.

Michael reported that membership has risen and the Association's financial position is much better than it was in August, 2015. He reported that as the NSWAFI were hosting the Australasian Associations of Fire Investigators Conference in six weeks that would be the Association's main concern. Michael said that the Conference was looking good, with over 80 delegates so far and that the Conference may give the NSWAFI's

finances a boost coming into 2017. Michael said that although there were 80 delegates registered, the Association needs over 100 delegates to break even. Michael asked that the membership to promote the Conference, as the Association was trying to make some money out of the Conference.

Michael also said that the NSWAFI has had a good bunch of Educations Nights in the last year and that this would continue through the next year.

Treasurer's report.

Taylor Pallaton presented the treasurer's report which was also circulated to all attendees on the night.

Taylor said that income from memberships was just under \$10,000.00

Just over \$4,700.00 in expenses

In the Bank at the moment we have \$13,372.07

A motion was put to accept the Treasurer's Report

Moved – Michael Forbes

Second – Steve Apps

Vote: CARRIED

General Business.

Bob McKay said that two non-executive positions were to be created, they being Education Officer and Webmaster. Bob said that he previously and unofficially held the position of Education Officer and that Steve Apps has stepped into this position, when Bob was temporarily elevated to Secretary. Thank you Steve. Bob also said that Alex Visotin has been assisting with the web site and good a great job.

Bob moved a motion that the positions of Education Officer and Web Master be created.

Moved – Bob McKay

Second – Michael Forbes

Vote: CARRIED

Bob McKay said that while the AAFI 2016 conference was roughly six weeks away, we had not met budget. Bob said that discussion had been had with Barry Sutherland, who was able to quickly source merchandise for the Conference. Bob told the gathered membership that to purchase merchandise we would need \$3,426.50 for flash drives AAFI polos, NSWAFI polos, NSWAFI travel mugs and caps and this merchandise would be sold at the AAFI and any left-over would come back as NSWAFI stock.

Michael Forbes said NSWAFI would not make money from the USB flash drives, but we would on the rest. A motion was put that NSWAFI contribute \$3,426.50 to purchase merchandise.

Moved: Michael Forbes

Second: Jim Munday

Vote: CARRIED

Election.

Bob McKay reported that nomination for the 2016-2017 Committee had been received. Bob called for nominations from the floor and Mark Pelligrino indicated a stand for ordinary Committee.

Michael Forbes declared all positions vacant. Bob reported that there was one nomination for each of the Executive and five ordinary committee members. The election was carried out with the following results:

As the result of the election the new committee is

President: Michael Forbes (unopposed)

Senior VP: Barry Sutherland (unopposed)

Junior VP: Jim Munday (unopposed)

Treasurer: Taylor Pallaton (unopposed)

Secretary: Bob McKay (unopposed)

Committee: Steve Apps – Education Officer, Alexander Visotin – Communications Officer, Webmaster, Mark Hamilton, Mark Pelligrino.

Web Site

Michael Forbes reported that Alex had re-designed the web site and all Committee Members would have specific email addresses. Michael also reported that the next Education Night is December and there would be six Education Nights through 2017.

Meeting closed at 18:41.

Bob McKay

Secretary.