

**Barrier Breakers Inc**

Inc No A00 487 21F ABN No 35 677 151 893

**Annual General Meeting 2009**

**Time and date of meeting:** 7.30 PM 25 November 2009  
Kath Teychenne Centre  
11-13 Breed Street Traralgon.

**Attendance:**

Gordon Arthur, Derek Amos, Desma Amos, Noela Amos, Neville Penrose, Noela Penrose, Dr. Darryl Ham, Peter Wallis, Dale Gemmell, Lisa Proctor, Gayle Vinall, Louise McKendry, Cr. Sandy Kam, Vic Breadon, Alan Tucker.

**Opening by Chairman:**

The Chairman (Gordon Arthur) declared the meeting open at 7.40 PM and welcomed those present to the association's Annual General Meeting (AGM). The Chairman asked the Secretary to read out the list of apologies.

**Apologies:**

Mr. Darren Chester MHR, Mr. Russell Broadbent MHR, Mr. Peter Ryan MLA, Mr. Russell Northe MLA, Craig Ingram MLA, Gary Blackwood MLA, Ken Smith MLA, The Hon. Phillip Davis MLC, The Hon. Peter Hall, MLC, The Hon. Mat Viney MLC, Cr. Rohan Fitzgerald, Dr. Fred Edwards, Toni Ham, Lynne Douglas, Vicki Hamilton.

It was moved D. Amos and seconded D. Ham that the apologies be noted. The motion was carried.

**Minutes from the previous AGM:**

Minutes of the previous AGM, held on 10 September, 2008, were circulated to those present prior to the meeting.

It was moved D. Amos and seconded V. Breadon that the Minutes be received as read and be adopted as a true record of the association's 2008 AGM. The motion was carried.

**Matters arising:**

The Secretary advised the meeting that the decision by members to change the associations Rules at the 2008 AGM had been agreed to by the Registrar of Incorporated Associations and that the Rules of Barrier Breakers Inc have been amended accordingly.

**Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman presented his report (attached) on the activities of the association during the 2008-09 year and it was moved D. Ham and seconded V. Breadon that the Chairman's report be received. The motion was carried.

**Secretary's report:**

The secretary presented his report (attached) on the administration of the association and its advocacy programs' over the past year and it was moved D. Ham and seconded N. Penrose that the Secretary's report be received. The motion was carried.

**Treasurer's report:**

In accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, the Treasurer, Dale Gemmell, circulated copies of the financial reports of Barrier Breakers Inc in respect to all financial transactions for the financial year 2008-09 (attached). He then presented members with a summary of his report and answered members' questions. While there was no obligation for Barrier Breakers Inc to have its accounts audited, the Treasurer advised members that the Board had accepted the offer of Bill Dyt of W.J. Dyt and Co to independently audit the association's financial reports free of charge and a copy of the Auditors report was also attached. The Treasurer thanked Mr. Dyt for his kind offer.

It was moved D. Ham and seconded D. Amos that the Treasurer's report and statement be received and adopted and that the association's Public Officer be instructed to forward the accounts of the association containing the particulars required by section 30(3) of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 to the Registrar of Incorporated Associations. The motion was carried.

**Election of the Board:**

In the absence of the association's Returning Officer, Harvey Pynt, through ill health, the chairman invited Cr. Sandy Kam to conduct the election of the association's officers and Board members and vacated the chair. Cr. Kam then presented a report of election procedures and declared all positions vacant. The Acting Returning Officer then advised the meeting of the nominations that had been received in accordance with the Rules –

**Officers (3 positions to be filled):**

<b>Chairman:</b>	1 nomination received from Gordon Arthur
<b>Secretary/CEO:</b>	1 nomination received from Derek Amos
<b>Treasurer:</b>	1 nomination received from Lisa Proctor

As no other nominations were received, the Acting Returning Officer declared Gordon Arthur, Derek Amos and Lisa Proctor elected as Officers of the association.

**Ordinary Board Members (6 positions to be filled):**

5 nominations had been received for election to the Board - Neville Penrose, Gayle Vinall, Dr. Fred Edwards, Dr. Daryl Ham and Peter Wallis. As there were no other nominations, the Returning Officer then declared the above named members elected to the Board.

Cr. Kam congratulated all those elected and invited the Chairman to resume control of the meeting.

The Chairman resumed the chair and referred members to the remaining item on the Agenda.

**Strategic Review of the Association:**

In their respective reports to the AGM, both the Chairman and the Secretary/CEO had referred to the work of the out-going Board in undertaking a strategic review of the association's objectives and performance. This review had been led by a specialist consultant psychologist, Ian Try, who had donated his services to Barrier Breakers Inc free of charge. Copies of a progress report of the review were circulated.

It was moved L. Proctor and seconded N. Penrose that the proposed "Business Plan Framework" as circulated at the meeting be received and that the in-coming Board be requested to give it due consideration.

The Chairman invited members to examine the report and provide the new Board with their comments.

**Close of Business:**

There being no further business listed on the Agenda, the Chairman thanked everyone for the attendance, invited everyone to partake in a light supper and closed the meeting at 9PM.