

## **2019 Canberra Alliance for Participatory Democracy AGM DRAFT Minutes**

St James Uniting Church, 40 Gillies Street, Curtin.

Sunday 3 November 2019, 4.40 – 5.00pm,

Opened 4-40pm

### **1. Present**

Peter Tait, Kathryn Kelly, Petra Cram, Fiona Tito Wheatland, Anna Tito, Barbara O'Dwyer, Didi Sommer, Kevin Cox, Margaret Lee, Plaxy McCulloch, Sue Ingram, Beth Slatyer, Bob Douglas, Lyn Stephens, Mark Spain, Dierk von Behrens, Paul Atkins,

### **2. Apologies**

Lisa Forward, Walter Steensby, Rosemary Douglas,

### **3. Confirm Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 19 November 2017**

Minutes were not circulated.

Meeting resolved to send out the 2018 minutes with the 2019 minutes directly after the meeting for those present to sign off, and both minutes be confirmed at the 2020 AGM.

Moved Fiona Tito Wheatland, seconded Plaxy McCulloch, accepted.

### **4. Annual Report – achievements summary presented at the meeting**

**Genuine Citizen participation** - *how to get citizen voice (citizen generated wisdom) into the ACT Assembly*

- Explored different models of citizen deliberation in Canberra and elsewhere and what it takes for these processes to be legitimate. Used Deliberate ACT to extend learning to a wider audience
- Encouraged the ACT Government to approach the Review of the Territory Plan in a way that built trust – unfortunately our advice was not taken and we learnt that it is difficult for government to shift from “power over”
- Used our reflections on the four Deliberative Processes in 2018 to deepen our understanding of citizen deliberation – shared in newsletter.
- Gave presentations on the wellbeing indicators and also a public forum on the OstBelgian model for permanent citizen deliberation – and in the process built collaborative working relations with academics at University of Canberra (IGPA, NATSEM) and ANU.

**MLA Relationships Roles and Responsibility** – *what is the job of representing and how do we want MLAs to do it?*

- Generated conversations and collected people’s opinions about MLA roles at Southfest 2018
- Delved deeply into the question “how do MLAs go about the job of representing” (MLA Interviews – as a basis for a Statement of Expectations for MLAs)
- 2019 Federal Election Candidate Statement
- Revising the Candidate Statement for 2020 ACT Election
- Exploring the idea of the Active Citizen

### **Connected Communities: democracy begins in your street**

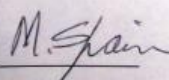

- Explored how, *in a transformed democracy citizens working in community can set the agenda and monitor progress*

- Worked with local groups to explore how Community Development approaches can build system and policy literacy – to support active citizenship
- Working with community associations – how does better democracy help your issue?

## Resources and Library – good things to watch and read

Collecting and organising what we know about good governance and making change

### 5. Financial Report

Canberra Alliance for Participatory Democracy	
Statement of Income and Expenditure for the 2018-2019 Financial Year	
Funds carried forward from 2017/18	\$3,422.01
<b>Funds Received to 30 June 2019</b>	
Interest Free Loans <sup>1</sup>	\$0.00
Membership Subscriptions	\$1,000.00
Donations	\$620.00
General Meeting Door Income	\$225.70
<b>Total Funds Received</b>	<b>\$1,845.70</b>
<b>Expenditure to 30 June 2019</b>	
Website, graphic design & printing	\$466.00
General Meeting Venue Hire & expenses	\$330.00
Insurance for 2018-19 and 2019-20	\$1,089.00
ACTCOSS membership for 2018-19 and 2019-20	\$60.00
Loan Reimbursement	\$0
Bank Fees	\$0.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>\$1,945.00</b>
<b>Cash in Bank at 30 June 2019</b>	<b>\$3,222.71</b>
<b>Creditors at 30 June 2019<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Assets Less Liabilities at 30 June 2019</b>	<b>\$3,222.71</b>
<b>Notes to Statement:</b>	
1. There are no outstanding loans.	
 Mark Spain, Treasurer	 Beth Slatyer Co-Convenor

Financials as presented.

Auditor's Report tabled.

Unqualified report.

Mark Spain reported that more robust financial accounting and reporting systems had been introduced.

Acceptance of financial report:

Moved Mark Spain, seconded Plaxy McCulloch, accepted.

### 6 Appointment of Auditor

Motion that Nevile Hurst be reappointed Auditor for the current financial year.

Moved Beth Slatyer, seconded Fiona Tito Wheatland, accepted.

### 7 Selection of vacant positions on Committee

These members continue in the second year of their terms:

Beth Slater, Co-convenor

Peter Tait, Secretary

Sue Ingram, ordinary Committee Member

Vacancies for 1 Co-convenor, 2 deputy co-convenors, Treasurer, and up to five ordinary Committee Members exist.

Position	Vacancies	Nominee	Mover	Seconder
a. Co-convenor	1	none,		
b. Deputy Co-convenor	2	none,		
c. Treasurer	1	Mark Spain,	selected unopposed	
d. Ordinary Member(s)	5	Bob Douglas, Petra Cram,	selected unopposed	

### **Nominations from the floor**

Margaret Lee, Sue Ingram Dierk von Behrens

### **8 Other Business**

That CAPaD join the Whistleblowers' Support Alliance.

Discussion. Outcome: that the question be referred to the Committee for consideration at the November meeting. Kathryn Kelly to provide a briefing for that meeting.

**Conclusion** of Annual General Meeting – 5-00pm.