



General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date		31 July 2023	
Meeting Time		1.00-2.30pm	
Location/venue		Mead Hall, Flinders Street Baptist Church, 65 Flinders Street Adelaide.	
Chair		James Vandenberg President	
Attendees		38 members	
Item	Topic	Discussion	Action/Outcome
1.1	Welcome Acknowledgement of Country	<p>The Chair opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.</p> <p>The Chair acknowledged the attendance of the Guest Speaker <i>Grant Lock</i> who will be fully introduced shortly.</p> <p>The Chair advised members that the General Meeting was being recorded/filmed for the first time as a test run with the aim of the meeting becoming available via the members portal on the Associations website.</p>	Nil
1.2	Apologies.	The Chair acknowledged apologies lodged via the website booking process.	Nil
2.	Reports		
2.1	Key Outcomes of the Committee Meeting:	<p>The Chair acknowledged receiving a letter from Max Jahn former Membership Officer and advised that the issues raised in his letter in relation to some members not being able to access Association information electronically and their need to continue to receive hard copies of the Superannuant remain front of mind for the Committee.</p> <p>The Chair referred to the email he had sent to all members with a registered email address on 5 July 2023 seeking assistance and nominations for the Executive Committee in 2024.</p>	



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		<p>The Chair advised that he had received 6 replies to his email, all supportive of the Association's continuance, however he received no actual offers of assistance or nominations to join the Committee.</p> <p>The Chair advised that the Committee Vacancies are currently advertised via Volunteering SA and SEEK Volunteering, he also advised that we have received a Registration of Interest from a non-member and that he and the Secretary had met with this individual and that he will be invited to attend the Executive Committee Meeting in August 2023.</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that the Phone Members Survey would commence over the coming weeks and asked that if members were contacted to please participate.</p>	
3.	Business Arising		
3.1	Strategic Planning	<p>The Chair introduced Dianne Baron Secretary to present information on the Strategic Planning Session that took place on Tuesday 30 May 2023 and the actions that have resulted from that session.</p> <p>Dianne presented a power point that outlined the 3 Priority Actions currently underway, these are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Priority Action Plan 1.</u> Define Leadership Group Roles, Identify and Recruit Office Bearers.• <u>Priority Action Plan 2.</u> Restructuring of Association Finances.• <u>Priority Action Plan 3.</u> Stakeholder Engagement, Pilot Phone Survey. <p>The presentation outlined the key decision date of 27 November 2023 being pivotal in confirming the Associations ability to form a Committee for 2024.</p> <p>The presentation will become available on the Associations website.</p>	Nil



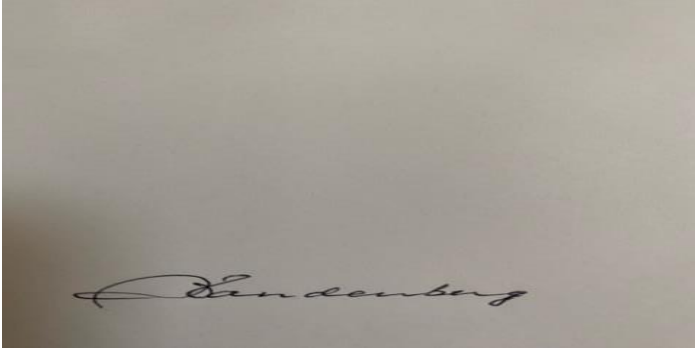
4.	Guest Speaker		
4.1	Guest Speaker	<p>Ian Buckingham introduced Grant Lock.</p> <p>Grant is a successful Australian stud beef cattle breeder and agricultural businessman, Grant has always been interested in current affairs, international politics, human rights, and the plight of the poor and disenfranchised.</p> <p>For twenty-four years he and his gutsy wife, Janna, moved into voluntary development work in the Islamic Republics of Pakistan and Afghanistan.</p> <p>In Kabul Grant was the Deputy Executive Director of a longstanding NGO involved in training Afghans in a diversity of areas including eye-care, primary mental health, micro hydroelectricity, business training and empowering widows.</p> <p>Richly rewarding, it was not without frustration and danger. Grant shared his insights into that pivotal part of the world and presented on “What is really happening in Afghanistan”.</p> <p>Ian thanked the Guest Speaker at the end of the presentation advising that the Association would make a donation to Grant’s preferred Charity and that Grant’s books were now available to purchase.</p>	
5	Closing of the Meeting		
5.1	Next Meeting Monday 26 August 2023 @ 1.00pm	<p>The Chair advised that the Guest Speaker for August 2023 is yet to be confirmed and that this information would be made available via the Association website and invitation email.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 2.30pm</p>	Nil

Meeting Closed 2.30pm



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