

Women With Disabilities Australia Minutes of the

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

4pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT)  
Monday 19 December 2022

Via Zoom videoconference

The meeting commenced at 4.00 pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT) and was chaired by WWDA Management Committee Treasurer, Pamela Menere.

# Agenda Item 1: Welcome to Country

WWDA staff showed a Welcome to Country video, with a Welcome to Country provided by Aunty Trish Hodge.   
  
  
**Agenda Item 2: Present**

**Management Committee members:** Pamela Menere, Maria Scharnke, Casey Gray, Tanya Sinclair, Kat Reed, Karin Swift, Jessica White.   
  
**Staff:** Heidi La Paglia Reid (Director of Policy and Advocacy), Saphia Grant (Project Manager, WWDA LEAD), Libbi Cunnington (Project Manager, Our Site), Jacinta Carlton (WWDA Media and Communications Manager),Zoe Houstein (Project Officer), Margherita Dall’Occo Vaccaro (Youth Development Officer), Cat Standley (Content Development Officer).  
  
**Members:** Jenni Strauch, Natalie Tomas, Gina Semi, Amanda Ellis, Cezana Evans, Bonney Corbin, Serena O’Brien, Cashelle Dunn, Gina Semi, Lee Nelson, Jenni Strauch, Lorraine Le Plasterier, Rachel Makepeace, Serena O’Brien, Tama Cordova, Talie Star, Kate Duffy

# Agenda Item 3: Apologies

**Staff:** Carolyn Frohmader (Executive Director)  
  
**Members**: Tanya Carol

# Agenda Item 4: Ratification of minutes: WWDA Management Committee Meeting 17th September 2022

**Motion:** That the Minutes from the WWDA Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 16th December, 2020 be accepted as a true and correct account of that meeting.

**Moved:** Maria Scharnke

**Seconded:** Tanya Sinclair

# Agenda Item 5: WWDA Staff Presentations

Libbi Cunnington provided an update on behalf of Executive Director, Carolyn Frohmader.

Libbi Cunnington, Heidi La Paglia Reid, Saphia Grant and Jacinta Carlton provided updates on WWDA’s work between 2021 – 2022.

**Motion:** That the WWDA staff reports be accepted.

**Moved :** Maria Scharkne

**Seconded:** Tanya Sinclair

# Agenda Item 6: Tabling of Audited Financial Statements

# Motion: That the Audited Financial Statements for 2021 - 2022 be accepted as an official report of this meeting Moved: Pamela Menere

# Seconded: Kat Reed

# Agenda Item 7: Amendments to the WWDA Constitution

# Pamela advised that the WWDA Board had been working with the staff executive team as well as contracted lawyers to update and amend the WWDA Constitution over a number of years. Proposed changes included updating the definition of WWDA members, ammending wording to reflect the digital format of current processes and more.

# Special Resolution: That the proposed changes to the WWDA Constitution be formally accepted.

# Moved: Maria Scharkne

# Seconded: Casey Gray

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# Agenda Item 8: Announcement of WWDA Management Committee 2022-2023

Pamela Menere formally announced the WWDA Management Committee for 2022-2023, advising that WWDA would be welcoming Karin Swift, who had previously been a WWDA President, back onto the Committee. The WWDA Management Committee for 2022-2023 is as follows:

Casey Gray - Term expires 2024

Jessica White - Term expires 2024

Karin Swift - Term expires 2024

Kat Reed - Term expires 2024

Maria Scharnke - Term expires 2024

Pamela Menere - Term expires 2024.

# Motion: That the report on the Management Committee members for 2022 - 2023 be accepted.

# Moved: Lorraine Le Plasterier

# Seconded: Tanya Sinclair

# Agenda Item 9: Meeting dates for the WWDA Management Committee for 2022 – 2023

Pamela Menere advised that the Meeting dates for the WWDA Management Committee will be determined by Committee members via circular motion following the Annual General Meeting.

# Agenda Item 10: Appointment of WWDA Auditor for 2022 - 2023

# Motion: That Bentley’s Hobart is appointed as WWDA’s Auditor for the 2022-2023 financial year.

# Moved: Lorraine Le Plasterier

# Seconded: Kat Reed

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# The meeting was formally closed by Pamela Menere at 5.01pm.