

EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at on WEDNESDAY, 25 November 2020

online ZOOM.

AGM ATTENDANCE

As per the Attendance Register

1. WELCOME

I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the lands on which we meet and pay my respects to the Elders past present and emerging and acknowledge that they have had a special connection to the lands and waters for thousands of years.

The Chair, Kim Walters, opened the AGM at 4:30pm, and mentioned that the presentation will be recorded.

2. ATTENDANCE

Apologies and Proxy forms were received from 8 members.

ATTENDED 13 required for quorum			
Naseema Khan, Adele Amorsen, Jo Broadbent, Jodie Riek, Madhavi Luck, Helen Kennedy Sue Leigh, Lynne Ireland, Lisa Cooper, Kim Walters, Arabella Zuniga, Christien Appel, Maya Harrison, Judith Jeffs, Diane Davy, Wendy Clulow, Kate Skinner, Janiene Bate, Helen Noble, Joanne Young			
PROXY & APOLOGIES 8 proxies			
Angela Bulmer Jenny Caswell	Evie Manassakis Jeanie Watt	Marion Mori	Kate Shapcott Micaela Collin

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Moved Kim Walters seconded Joanne Young that the minutes of the AGM held on 4 December 2019 are an accurate record of the business of that meeting. Carried.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year has been a challenge for early childhood professionals across world, with online learning requirements and the opportunities for children to play being severely restricted.

I am so proud of our ECTA Team for pushing their skill sets during the year to support our members by opening webinars to regional group members and promptly moving our conference online. This allowed regional groups to network virtually and for members to plan their participation in the E-Conference.

In early November, the ECTA Conference Committee meet online to select presenters for the 2021 ECTA Early Childhood E-Conference. With the 2020 E-Conference being such a huge success, we will be using our expanded skills to create an innovative 2021 Early Childhood E-Conference on Saturday 26 June 2021.

To allow for maximum participation across the state in a COVID-19 uncertain world we are planning a hybrid event, with the option of presenters and members attending virtually via ZOOM or meeting at a metropolitan or regional hub(with the option to switch between face to face and virtual participation prior to the event). Numbers will be limited at hubs so early registration is highly recommended. It all sounds extremely exciting and we are all looking forward to the challenge.

ECTA's commitment to maintain early year's connections during the pandemic was showcased at the

Early Childhood Stakeholders Forum attended by the Education Minister, Deputy-Director General and other key Early Childhood key stakeholders from across Queensland. It was fitting that the ECTA Vice-President Jodie Riek presented our strategies from the USA via ZOOM at the forum.

Thank you to our secretary Joanne Young for coordinating the webinars for 2020. These have been a key strategy to support and stay connected with our members across the state. Joanne selected presentations from the 2019 and 2020 conferences. Feedback from all webinars has been extremely positive. We will continue to feature conference presenters from the 2020 E-Conference in webinars in the first semester next year.

Total ECTA membership for 2020 was 588. This included 207 Organisations, 269 Individuals, 73 students, 15 concessional, 8 Graduate, 2 Overseas Individual and 14 Life Members.

2021 Memberships are now open online. We ask all members to log in to the website then click the JOIN tab.

2021 Organisation Members can set up ECTA Teams to allow their staff unrestricted access to all the resource and professional development materials. Choose Organisational Membership and set up the 'Team Name' before adding to the cart. Organisations can add new members to their team at any time by logging in, selecting My Account > Teams > Add Members.

ECTA Facebook page continues to grow with 5729 followers. We have an average monthly reach of 25,000.

With COVID-19 more contained now, we hope you all get a chance to relax, connect face to face and play with family and friends over the holidays.

I would like to thank all member of our state coordinating, and conference journal for their time and dedication to ECTA during 2020 and RGs who also facilitated local connections throughout the year. Without the support of our ECTA volunteers we would not be the strong professional organisation that we are.

Kim Walters called for the president's report be accepted.

Moved Kim Walters seconded Helen Noble that the President's Report be accepted. Carried.

## 5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lisa Cooper presented the treasurers report for the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The auditor's report was emailed to all registered for the AGM this morning and will be available on request via email.

COVID-19 affected the financial status of our membership and conference revenue.

The Auditor report for 2019 shows ECTA had a gross income of \$105,232.12 made up from \$178,507.80 from ECTA QLD and \$32,608.23 from Regional Groups and Gross expenses of \$112,807.84 made up from \$105,232.12 ECTA QLD and \$7,448.05 from Regional Groups

This has given us a net loss before tax for ECTA QLD at \$7,575.72.

Cash assets as at the end of the financial year are \$134,690.17 made up of \$63,467.86 from ECTA QLD and \$66,767.76 from Regional Groups

Lisa Cooper moved "That the Financial Report, including the audited accounts, be accepted."

seconded Lisa cooper

6. OFFICE BEARERS

All positions were declared vacant. Kim vacated the chair and Lisa Cooper conducted the nomination for president.

One nomination was received for the position of President, and Kim Walters was declared elected as ECTA President for 2021.

Five nominations were received for the State Coordinating Committee

Kim Walters (Pres), Helen Noble (VP), Joanne Young (sec), Lisa Cooper (Treasurer), Lisa Cooper (Regional Group Coordinator), Angela Bulmer

Specific Roles will be assigned at the first meeting of the SCC and members notified via eNEWS.

Conference Committee six nominations received.

Kim Walters (cochair), Lisa Cooper(co-chair), Jodie Riek, Lynne Ireland, Jo Young, Jenny Caswell, Fei You, Samantha Tolchard, Robbie Leikvold

EYC Journal Committee six nominations were received

Marion Mori (Editor). Helen Noble, Kim Walters, Evie Manassakis, Jeanie Watt, Kate Shapcott, Sarah-Jane Johnson, Angela Drysdale, Sue Webster, Archana Sinh, Jodie Riek,

7. I would like to personally thank the Marion Mori for her leadership of the journal team and all members of the conference, journal and state coordinating committee who have renominated for 2021. Your support of myself as president is very gratefully accepted. Together we make a wonderful team to lead ECTA into the 2021's.

8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Moved Kim Walters seconded Jodie Riek that Koala Accounting & Taxation be appointed as Auditors for 2021. All in favour.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

Call for any other items of general business relating to the AGM.  
Nil.

10. 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held on 24 November 2021

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 4:45pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of the business of the meeting:



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President

27/11/2019

Date