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MINUTES OF ELEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MEETING DATE: June 19, 2010 **TIME:** 10:56 am

VENUE: Karuna House – 27 Cartwright Street, Windsor

ATTENDANCE: as per Attendance Record and proxies recorded

QUORUM: Yes – by resolution of those present

CHAIRPERSON: Jim Ferguson

SECRETARY: Kim Hollow

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on August 8, 2009 meeting were confirmed.

Moved by Jim Ferguson

Seconded by Jennie LeNeveu

Accepted

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

none

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jim tabled his report and summarised the past year and the expectations for 2010-11.

Moved by Jim Ferguson

Seconded by Kim Hollow

Accepted

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

The audited net balance for 2009 was \$334.10. This is after the funds provided by the Q150 project and after all the expenditure associated with it which is described in the Q150 acquittal. It was noted that the audited report tabled did not include the acquittal transactions due to the principles applied, which would have elevated both income and expenses by equal sums by just over \$17,000. It was also noted that, at the just-concluded committee meeting, future reporting will include all donations, in-kind and otherwise and any expenses paid directly on the BCQ's behalf or gifted directly as a donation.

The net cash at bank at 31/12/09 was \$645.45 and includes a total of 2 cents interest and a \$50 donation from Jodoshu, and \$5,50 for book p&p. Total funds therefore amount to \$849.95 before outgoings from the account, comprising Optus \$205.07, PO Box rental of \$79.50 and Q150 postage etc of \$300.00, totalling \$404.57, leaving a net balance of \$116.40. The \$100 donation is to be banked offsetting the only account outstanding for immediate payment to the auditor, of \$150.00, which will then leave a balance of \$66.40. Cash holdings are \$0.00 ie no petty cash held

The books of account were audited by Noel Box and report that the accounts were an accurate representation of the affairs of the Buddhist Council of Queensland. The Council

does not have any assets other than funds at bank and cash in hand. This report is now tabled at this meeting for inspection.

Moved by Jenny LeNeveu

Seconded by Jim Ferguson

Accepted

4. ELECTION OF 2010-11 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The present committee then stood aside and David Wee chaired the remainder of the meeting to call to elect the new committee.

a. President – Jim Ferguson nominated by Ven. Lhagsam, seconded by Kim Hollow with no others – elected unopposed.

b. Secretary – Kim Hollow nominated by Jim Ferguson, seconded by Ven. Lhagsam with no others – elected unopposed.

c. Treasurer – Jenny LeNeveu nominated by Julie Khoo, seconded by Kim Hollow with no others – elected unopposed.

d. Vice President – Chee Weng nominated by Kim Hollow, seconded by Jim Ferguson with no others – elected unopposed.

e. Assistant Secretary – Maeve Hollow nominated by Kim Hollow, seconded by Jim Ferguson with no others – elected unopposed

f. Committee Members – Ven. Lozang Lhagsam, David Wee and Julie Khoo were nominated and seconded from the floor – all elected unopposed.

The new executive committee was then invited to take the floor and complete the meeting.

A formal vote of thanks to David Wee for chairing that portion of the meeting was extended and agreed to by all. Jim then reminded the incoming committee that a quorum for all their meetings therefore now stands at 5. Jim also reminded that all office bearers must hold a current CCYPCG Blue Card, confirmation to be passed to the committee as soon as possible.

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2010

Noel Box has offered to again act as auditor for next year. After discussion concerning the merit of continuing with auditing, given that as a Level 3 entity we do not need too, but since we hope to be successful in securing future grants that may take us into the Level 2 group that would still require an auditor, as well as ensuring transparency and since an Audited report provides more credibility, it was finally resolved, on the recommendation by David Wee, that we continue to apply auditing of our accounts by Noel Box and David Wee undertakes that he will meet the fee of up to \$150 if there are insufficient funds available next year when due.

Moved by David Wee

Seconded by Chee Weng

Accepted

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. **BCQ Talk Sponsorship** - Julie Khoo of Kwan Um Zen sought BCQ endorsement for a public talk to be held at the Griffith University's Multi-Faith Centre in October, about 10th or 11th with no financial liability to the BCQ

Moved by Julie Khoo

Seconded by Kim Hollow

Accepted

- b. **FABC Update** - Kim updated the committee about the FABC's acceptance now by the federal government overriding the overtures by the Buddhist Federation of Australia to imply they were the peak body in Australia while actually representing only about 3 closely-affiliated bodies. Kim is now also the President of the FABC. The FABC in conjunction with the ASA has also succeeded in having Buddhism now recognized federally as a religion, and so enabling the appointment of Buddhist marriage celebrants, and eventually chaplains. Kim identified the need for the FABC to attract more new young Buddhists to stand up and become involved in the various Councils activities.
- c. **First Buddhist University in Australia** – Chee mentioned that \$13m has now been committed to establishing the first Buddhist University in Australia, based at Nan Tien in Woollongong, NSW and hopes to start by 2012

Meeting closed at 12:00 pm

Next Annual General Meeting probably June 2011 – exact date and venue to be advised.

Signed by President: _____ Secretary: _____ Date: __/__/2010