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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Rising Sun Hotel, 2 Raglan St., South Melbourne 9.50 pm Friday 25 October 2024

Chair: Lindy Cameron Minutes: Carmel Shute

Lindy welcomed members.

- 1. Indigenous Acknowledgement At the outset, on behalf of Sisters in Crime Australia, we respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land, the people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respect to their Elders, past and present. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to the land and the sea.
- 2. Present: Maggie Baron; Georgina Baron-Ross; Martie Lowenstein; Catie Maher; Claire Hill; Faye Shortal; Carmel Shute; Cheryl Fairclough; Leslie Falkiner-Rose; Lesley Gillis; Claire Harris; Sara Hood; Kate Incerti; Andrew Jelbart; Celia Jelbart; Sandra Thom-Jones; Sue Turnbull; Lindy Cameron; Mirna Cicioni; Iris Centin; Annette Pearce; Moraig Kisler; Karin Kos; Leslie Falkiner-Rose; Catie Maher; Meg Caraher; and Maurice Baker.
- 3. Apologies & proxies: Angela Savage; Gill Thomas; Christopher Reed; Janet Moore; Anne Donellan; Philomena Horsley; Anne Holmes; Robyn Black; Siobhan Mullany; Rae Luckie; Juanita Kees; Kim Smith; Sherryl Clark; Kelly Gardiner; Ruth Wykes; Michelle Wills; Sarah Jackson; Frances Wood; Greg Every; Sandra Nicholson; Jennifer Cameron-Smith; Fran Bryson; Wendy Laing; and Athena Law; Rachel Spencer; Kerryn Mayne; Fran Wood; Katrina Watson; Pat Miller; Robin Sproule; Alice Deby, Katherine Kovacic; Gretchen Bernet-Ward; Averil Robertson; Bronwyn Hall; Rob McDonald; Poppy Gee; Helene Young; Jenny Paratz; Suzanne Frankham; Julie Randolph-Davis; Ashleigh Meikle; Lucia Nardo; Barb Hunt; Kim Graham; Kate Hamilton; Kimberley Ivory; Audrey Jamieson; Judith Klepner; Debi McLeod; Cheryl Jorgensen; Penelope Scott; Deb Bodinnar; Ellie Marney; Krystiina Tighe; L.J.M. Owen; Judy Powell; and Melissa Robbie.

I am pleased to note that the meeting is quorate. We need to have a minimum of 10% of the membership represented and we have achieved that with the people here this evening and 70 proxies. Thank you for attending and thank you to those who sent in proxies.

- **4. Confirmation of the minutes of October 2024 AGM:** "That the minutes of the October 2024 AGM are confirmed." Carried
- **5. Report on activities 2023/2024:** Secretary Carmel Shute presented a report on behalf of the convenors. Motion: "That the report is received." Carried
- **6. Financial Report 2023/2024:** Treasurer Lesley Gillis presented the finance report for 2023/2024 Recommended motion: "That the report is received."
- 7. Election of convenors: Sisters in Crime Australia Inc. sought nominations for eight positions for the National Committee. We note that nominations have been received from Lindy Cameron, Carmel Shute, Moraig Kisler, Lesley Gillis, Leslie Falkiner-Rose, and Sara Hood plus from Kelly Gardiner and Ruth Wykes (neither of whom are able to attend tonight).



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Motion: "We declare these people elected unopposed as members of the National Committee of Sisters in Crime Australia Inc." Carried.

8. Elections for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer from amongst those

elected as convenors.

President: Kelly Gardiner Vice-President: Lindy Cameron

Secretary: Moraig Kisler Treasurer: Lesley Gillis

Motion: "We declare these people elected unopposed as office holders of the National Committee of

Sisters in Crime Australia Inc." Carried.

9. No other business.

10. Annual General Meeting closed at 10.20 pm.