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**UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE MELBOURNE CITY INC. (A0045765E)
THIRTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Friday, 15 November 2019

10:30 a.m. at the Multicultural Hub, 506 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne

Attendance

Chair: Jenny Holling

Present: Lesley Bright, Ann Johns, Michael Hoye, Marilyn Harris, Helga Kuhse, Steve Milton, Russell Huntington, Lyn Mayer, Jane Tulloch plus 78 members and 33 proxies.

Apologies: Elizabeth Way, Tony Miles, Dawn Gibson, Fran Sciarretta, Leigh Purnell, Angela Munro and Susan Webster (President, Network)

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement to Country

President Jenny Holling welcomed all members to the meeting, noted apologies and acknowledged the people of the Kulin Nations on whose land we were gathered.

2. Confirmation of the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 15 November 2018

Motion: That the minutes of the 34rd Annual General Meeting, held on the 15th November 2018, be approved

Moved: Marg Smith

Seconded: Russell Huntington

The motion was carried.

3. Receive and consider the Annual Report and the Financial Statement for the preceding financial year

The President highlighted U3A Melbourne City's achievements including 1441 members, 118 tutors and group leaders providing over 130 educational classes, as well as the Let's Do social program and monthly forums. Good governance, compliance, improved communication with members and a deeper engagement with partners, in particular the Melbourne City Council, have been our priorities.

Financially, a surplus of \$3,570 was recorded for the financial year as a result of slightly increased revenue and reduced expenses, including classroom rent.

Motion: That the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Report be received and accepted

Moved: Russell Huntington

Seconded: Gwen Nyman

The motion was carried.

4. Motion regarding Membership Fee:

The Treasurer reported the unpredictability of rental costs in the year ahead.

Motion: That the Committee of Management be authorised, at its discretion and at an appropriate time to raise, by a maximum of five dollars, the annual Membership Fee (Full and Associate Membership) from 1 October 2020 until 30 September 2021.

Moved: Helga Kuhse

Seconded: Jane Tulloch

5. Response to Submitted Questions

Member David Hood had submitted a written question:

‘Could I have an update on progress re air-conditioning problems in the Greek Centre?’

I understand this had been an issue for some time: French classes on level 2 (with Gwen Nyman) are often conducted with very poor ventilation, which affects both attention-span and, potentially, students’ health.’

The President advised that she and the committee were in regular communications with the management of the Greek Centre and with the air-conditioning provider with a view to improving the consistency of temperature in the rooms.

6. Election of Officers and Members to the Committee of Management for 2020

Julie Nankervis, the Returning Officer, declared all positions vacant.

Nominations for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and for five Committee Members had been received by the closing date. All persons are financial members of U3A Melbourne City Inc.

Given that the nominations were the number required the following were declared elected.

Office Bearers

President	Jenny Holling
Vice President	Russell Huntington
Secretary	Jane Tulloch
Treasurer	Lesley Bright

Committee Members	Merilyn Harris
	Michael Hoye
	Ann Johns
	Helga Kuhse
	Steve Milton

7. President's Address

Jenny Holling said it was an honour to be elected again and a privilege to have the opportunity of continuing to work with the team. She welcomed Jane Tulloch as the incoming secretary and thanked Elizabeth Way for performing this role over the past year.

She outlined four priorities for the coming year:

- 1) Strengthening our teams, including volunteers
- 2) Acting on the feedback provided in the member and volunteer surveys conducted in 2019
- 3) Expanding partnerships with local government and community groups, in particular Men's Shed, the Melbourne City Council, the Yarra Trams Community Partnerships Programs and the Education Faculty at Monash University
- 4) Adapting technology, including video conferencing, to improve services to members

She concluded by quoting Henry Ford;

'Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young'.

The meeting closed at 11.20am