



GLOBAL SCHOOL PARTNERS 2018 AGM OUTCOMES

ATTENDEES

Present at AGM: Alison Just, Drewe Just, Karen Achurch, Kathy Laudenschach, Philippa Brearley, Paul McGinness, Simon Carroll

Apologies with proxy: Glenda Wilkinson, Helen White, Julie Jobson, Josephine Maundu

Apologies: Christine Melican

MEETING TIMELINE

Simon Carroll (Chair) opened meeting at 6.05 pm and welcomed members.

Details of Proxy forms – detailed by the Chair.

Annual Report - Chair briefly ran through the Annual Report 2017-18, discussing:

- Projects in financial year
- eTapestry software – time saving, more professional and efficient and effective use of funds
- Volunteers – in addition to the GSP Board there are now 4 volunteers assisting with various aspects who are doing a great job and being very reliable – ‘thank you’ to them
- New Australian schools in 2017 -18 financial year mentioned plus recently the addition of Holy Spirit Primary in Nicholls, ACT
- 2018 Dinner cancelled due to lack of time to organise given the team trip to Kenya in July. Discussion around the gap this leaves with the water and toilet treatment program now unfunded. Agreed to put out an appeal to database and to approach corporate sponsors. Further options discussed on ways to raise funds for this project
- Explanation given of clear delineation between projects and programs in Kenya, relating to governance and responsibilities
 - Projects – these are school specific needs, such as toilets or water tanks, and are generally a once-off activity which provides the school with a long-term resource
 - Programs – these are ongoing activities that occur in all schools in a consistent and long-term manner. Such as Young Women’s Program, Water Treatment Program, Health Officer Program, Teacher Training Program etc.

Financial report - tabled and accepted by members.

Election of Directors – Paul McGinness stood down on rotation as per the constitution and made himself eligible for re-election. The Chairperson thanked Paul for his service to GSP. Karen Achurch stood for election.

Members agreed to increase the number of people on the Board to seven. Paul McGinness and Karen Achurch were unanimously elected.

Appointment of sub-committees – After discussion in the meeting it was agreed not to create formal sub-committees, and for the Chairperson to create sub-committees comprising the most suitable people, as and when necessary to assist with business.

A sub-committee to consider the Young Women's Program challenges was called for with volunteers agreeing to meet the following week for discussions.

Other business or matters arising – Chair provided details of draft Treasury legislation relating to organisations operating overseas from Australia. Chair and Paul McGinness to attend briefing session.

AGM close – Chair thanked the Board and members and closed the AGM at 7.20pm.