



Anam Cara House Geelong Ltd

2024

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Meeting Details: Thursday 16th November at 5.00pm at Anam Cara Geelong, Waurm Ponds, and online.

In Attendance:

Diana Taylor AM (Chair), Rob Threlfall (Dep Chair), Vanessa McColl (CEO), Jimmy Buck (Director), Simone Bellears (Director), Dr Anh Tran (appointed as Director in meeting), Kate Russell (Director),

Members: Hugh Palmer, Ross Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor, Bob Gartland OAM (Patron), Phillipa Gartland, Erika Pickering, Eileen Roberts, Jennifer Andrews

Nonmembers: Terri Powell

Staff: Kim Spalding, Claire Walker

Apologies:

Dr Sarah Leach, Aaron Shrimpton (Director), Diane Wright OAM, Michael Hanley

#	Item	Minutes	Action
1.	Welcome and Introduction		
	Acknowledgement of Country	Vanessa delivered the Acknowledgement of Country	NA
	Acknowledgement of Attendance and Thanks	Vanessa acknowledged and thanked: Patron Bob Gartland, Life Members, and Members attending in person and online. Hugh Palmer and the Truffleduck team. Anam Cara volunteers for their significant contribution and care, including the Board who are all volunteers. Thank you to and introduction of the Board Chair, Diana Taylor AM.	NA
2.	Meeting Open		
	Open	Diana Taylor opened the meeting, and welcomed all members, invited guests and fellow Board members to the meeting.	NA

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3.	Apologies		
		A list of apologies is provided above	NA
4.	Presentations		
	Chair's Report	<p>Diana outlined the historical timeline of Anam Cara as included in the Annual Report.</p> <p>Diana presented her report, noting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion and growth of Anam Cara • The contribution of Australian Government, Victorian Government and Deakin University. • Partnership with Truffleduck • Major donors and contributors • Vanessa current CEO, staff and volunteers • Previous CEO, Adrian Hart • Agreements with 30+ Private Health Insurers signed. 	NA
	CEO's Report	<p>Vanessa provided key highlights from the CEO's Report.</p> <p>Diana asked if there were any questions from the Members. There were no questions.</p>	NA
5.	Financial Statements		
		<p>Diana introduced Rob Threlfall, a member of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee.</p> <p>Rob presented the key points of the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.</p> <p>Diana asked if there were any questions from the Members.</p> <p>Diana, Vanessa and Rob answered questions from the Members.</p>	
		<p>Diana moved that the Chair's, CEO and Finance Reports be accepted.</p> <p>Approved.</p>	<p>Moved: Jimmy Buck</p> <p>Seconded: Bob Gartland</p>
6.	Appointment of Auditors		
		<p>Diana moved that LBW be appointed as auditors for the FY25 year.</p> <p>Approved.</p>	<p>Moved: Jimmy Buck</p> <p>Seconded: Kate Russell</p>
7.	Board composition and succession		
	Ordinary Resolution – Election of Directors	<p>Diana noted that one nomination has been received for a new Director to the Anam Cara House Ltd Geelong Board:</p> <p>Dr Anh Tran</p>	

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		<p>Diana outlined Anh's experience and background.</p> <p>Diana moved that the nomination of Dr Anh Tran be accepted.</p> <p>Approved.</p>	<p>Moved: Diana Taylor</p> <p>Seconded: Kate Russell</p>
	Retiring Directors' Acknowledgements	<p>Diana gave a summary of the significant contributions and commitments of retiring Directors Dr Sarah Leach and Jimmy Buck.</p> <p>Diana thanked Sarah and Jimmy, presented Jimmy with a gift.</p> <p>Jimmy responded to the Members.</p>	NA
8.	Introduction of the 2025 Board of Directors		
	Board of Directors	Diana Taylor AM, Rob Threlfall, Aaron Shrimpton, Simone Bellears, Dr Anh Tran, Kate Russell.	
9.	Acknowledgement of Truffleduck		
	Acknowledgement of partnership with Truffleduck	<p>Diana gave a summary about the partnership and support of Truffleduck.</p> <p>Diana thanked Hugh Palmer and Deb Nash and presented Hugh with a gift.</p> <p>Hugh responded to the Members.</p>	
10.	Meeting Close & Thank You		
	The meeting was declared closed at 5:56pm		