



**EQUESTRIAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA
2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY 27TH APRIL 2017**

MINUTES

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of Equestrian Western Australia (EWA) Incorporated held in the Ocean Foam Room, First Floor, State Equestrian Centre, 303 Cathedral Avenue, Brigadoon at 7.00pm on Thursday 27 April 2017.

1. Welcome and address by EWA Chair Mr Ron Fleming.

The Chairman welcomed everyone present and declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

Present:

Board Members: R Fleming, M March, K Van Eykelborg, L Barnes, D Pedlow (CEO)

Members: T Lawless, S Keys-Fernihough, R Bealey, M Tenger, S Welsh, N Foster, S Barrey, P Hanna, T Morgan, R Inglis, H McQueen, K Robbins, V Mayger, R Ellis, N Riches, K Gianatti, S Isbister.

Observers: P Sharp, R Henderson, D Trease.

2. Apologies.

N Merewether, J Odgaard, C Chantler, P McLachlan, D Fleming, G Botten, S Botten, PA Huntington, R Thomas, W Newton-Wordsworth.

3. Acceptance of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting conducted on 20th April 2016.

Motion: That the minutes of the AGM held on 20th April 2016 are a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: V Mayger

Seconded: S Keys-Fernihough

Carried

4. To receive, and if thought fit, adopt the 2016 Annual Report.

The Chair and CEO spoke to the Annual Report. It was noted that a list of board members was unintentionally omitted from the Report. The CEO thanked previous board member Sophie Stott for her years of service as well as previous EWA and SEC staff members who left in 2016.

Moved: R Ellis

Seconded: T Lawless

Carried

5. To receive, and if thought fit, adopt the 2016 Financial Statements including the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2016.

A query was raised regarding the new EA Membership Costs line item on page 44 of the Annual Report. The CEO explained that this was a result of a change in accounting policy as outlined on page 38.

A query was raised regarding the increase in SEC Direct Operating Costs. The CEO explained that this was the result of the completion of urgent maintenance tasks required to make the SEC facilities safer for patrons. These works were not able to be covered by the Department of Sport and Recreation capital grant.

A query was raised regarding how the Discipline Levies are identified and spent. The CEO advised that the Dressage, Eventing and Jumping reports included information on levy income and expenditure, however EWA aims to include discipline-specific balance sheets in the 2018 Annual Report to increase transparency.

Moved: S Keys-Fernihough Seconded: P Hanna Carried

6. To appoint the Auditor for 2017 Financial Year.

The Chairperson asked the meeting to approve that an Auditor not be appointed at this meeting and to approve a request the Board had made of the CEO to obtain quotes for a new Auditor due to a proposed increase in fees for the next Audit from the current auditors.

Moved: K Tully Seconded: R Ellis Carried

7. Notice of Motions.

The Chairperson noted that no motions had been tabled for the meeting.

8. Close of meeting.

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 7:46pm.
Next AGM scheduled for Thursday 26 April 2018.

After the meeting was adjourned the Chairperson asked if those in attendance wished to raise any issues. The lack of clarity regarding permission to access Lot 43 (area where the SEC cross country course is located) by local residents and members was raised. The CEO advised that he and the board had had extensive discussion with the City of Swan who had recently confirmed that Lot 43 is leased to Equestrian Western Australia and is not public open space, therefore anyone entering the SEC must comply with the rules and regulations set out by Equestrian Western Australia. It was agreed that further clarification, advertising and signage was required in this matter.