

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NSW FOLK  
FEDERATION HELD AT THE BUSH MUSIC HUT,  
ADDISON ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE, MARRICKVILLE on 2<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST 2008**

**Present :** Anthony Woolcott, Christina Mimmocchi, James Baxter, Dallas Baxter, Kate Delaney, Mary-Jane Field, Bruce Cameron, Wayne Richmond, Peter Miller-Robinson, Maggie Huang, Margaret Walters, Pam Davis, Miguel Heatwole, John Warner.

**In Attendance :** David Begg, Tomas Ben Wilberforce Begg

**Apologies :** Sandra Nixon, Peter Weitzel, Andy Busuttil, Noel May, Terry Clinton

### **1. Appointment of Chairman**

Bruce Chairman was appointed Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

### **2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> June 2007 were tabled and were approved.

### **3. Reports**

The following reports were tabled and are appended to the Minutes :

- a) President's report
- b) Treasurer's report
- c) Membership report

Moved Anthony Woolcott, seconded Pam Davis and AGREED that the Reports be accepted.

### **4. Annual Elections**

Christina Mimmocchi was appointed returning officer. The following were elected unopposed :

Office bearers :

President –	Anthony Woolcott
Vice President –	Kate Delaney
Treasurer –	Bruce Cameron
Secretary –	Pam Davis

<u>Committee –</u>	Dallas Baxter
	James Baxter
	Terry Clinton
	Mary-Jane Field
	Peter Miller-Robinson
	Sandra Nixon
	Wayne Richmond

Incoming Chairman Anthony Woolcott assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

## 5. General Business

### a) Fundraising

The following points were raised during a general discussion on ways to improve the FF's financial position :

- Establish a Folk Club, utilizing the talents of members of the Committee – while it was agreed that this idea had merit, it was noted that within the last 12 months the Committee had agreed to end its involvement with Almost Acoustic as it was felt that the FF should support existing clubs rather than establishing its own club.
- Hold a fundraising gig – Kate Delaney, Peter Miller-Robinson & Pam Davis to form a Function Subcommittee which would develop a proposal for the next Committee meeting.
- Approach local Councils for funding for community performances – Peter Miller-Robinson advised that Lane Cove had agreed to another performance on 18<sup>th</sup> October. He undertook to pursue this matter & report back to the next meeting.
- Develop ideas for sales of Kempster book – Mary-Jane Field and Dallas Baxter to assist Kempster Subcommittee with ideas for book sales. The rest of the Committee was requested to pass their ideas to M-J or Dallas.
- Encourage Folk Clubs to promote FF – Dallas Baxter undertook to liaise with Folk Clubs to encourage them to promote FF (eg by stating on all flyers that they are members of the FF and by actively promoting sales of the Kempster book).

### b) Cheque from Alison Jones

As advised at the last Committee meeting, Alison Jones has sent a cheque for \$1000 as a loan to partially cover the cost printing of the Kempster book. It was agreed that Alison's cheque be returned to her with a letter expressing the Committee's thanks for her kindness.

### c) Bank Signatories

It was agreed that bank signatories for 2008/09 would be any two of the following : Anthony Woolcott, Bruce Cameron, Kate Delaney, Pam Davis.

### d) Appointment of Auditors

Weekes & Clements were appointed auditors for 2008/09.

### e) Constitutional Review

Bruce Cameron & Pam Davis undertook to review the Constitution and to submit proposed changes to the Committee.

## 6. Next Committee Meeting – 7pm Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 33 Pine St, Cammeray.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.30pm.