



You are invited to join us for Surry Hills
Neighbourhood Centre's

Annual General Meeting
2021

Thursday 9th December, 6pm -7pm

Enid Cook Room, SHNC, Level 1,
405 Crown St, Surry Hills
or via Zoom

RSVP: admin@shnc.org

A Membership Renewal Form is attached – please return.
Hear about the Centre's achievements over the past financial year.
Refreshments will be served.

Chair: Karina Kreminski
Agenda

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country
2. Apologies
3. Adoption of the minutes of the 2020 AGM - attached
4. Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre Report 2020/21 *Karina Kreminski*
5. Financial Report 2020/21–*Tony MacMahon Treasurer*
6. Adoption of Audited Statement of Accounts
7. Appointment of Auditor 2021/22
8. Centre Manager Report 2021– *Gillian Elliott*
9. Election of the Governance Committee
10. General Business
11. AGM 2022 – notice of meeting
12. Close

Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre (SHNC)

Minutes of Annual General Meeting, Tuesday 24 November 2020

In attendance: Gillian Elliot, Stephen Lunny, Delicia Joyce, Anthony McMahon, Karina Kreminski, Armen Gakavian, Linda Bretherton, Peta Landman, Jay Scott, Jo Kowalczyk, David Pocklington, Virginia Lopes, Tamara Littlewood

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country

Gillian Elliot, Centre Manger welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the Centre stands, the Gadigal People of the Eora Nation.

Apologies: Narelle Clark, Mile Salon, Clare Salon

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2019 AGM

It was moved “That the minutes of the 2019 AGM be confirmed.”

Moved: Linda Bretherton Seconded: Virginia Lopes

Chair’s Report

Karina Kreminski began by noting that 2020 had been an interesting and challenging year that had started with bushfires impacting large portions of our state and concluded with the (ongoing) challenges of living in a pandemic.

Karina told the meeting that there were positives to be drawn from the pandemic, not the least of which was the reminder of how important the work of the Centre is to the community.

Karina thanked the Centre’s volunteers without which our capacity to operate would be significantly affected; the staff for their robust and resilient response to the year’s challenges – especially the childcare staff who really were frontline staff supporting our community; and the board for their time and support.

Karina also acknowledged the support of the City of Sydney through the provision of the building and access to grants; the Department of Communities and Justice; the Department of Early Education and Care; Crown St Public School and local MPs and Councillors for their interest and support of the Centre and its activities.

Treasurer’s Report

Tony McMahon acknowledged that the pandemic has affected the programs of the Centre and therefore the finances. He reported that the Centre finished the year with a \$130,769 surplus.

Tony also reported that the Centre has \$1,044,968 in equity, providing a safety net and provides capacity to invest in the change in strategic direction

Tony acknowledged that the support from the government has been important in achieving the financial outcome and thanks the staff involved in administering the finances.

It was moved “That the audited statements for 2019- 2020 be adopted”.

Moved: Linda Bretherton Seconded: Jo Kowalczyk

It was moved “That auditors Meagher, Howard and Wright be appointed for the year 2020-2021”

Moved: Linda Bretherton Seconded: Peta Landman

General Manager’s Report

Gillian Elliott directed the meeting to her written report and the stories of our people contained within.

Gillian acknowledged the outstanding work of the Long Day Care Centre staff during an incredibly difficult time and noted that some families had chosen to leave not just the Centre but the country in order to return to family.

Gillian also acknowledged the volunteers, the staff generally and Stephen as the other member of the management team.

Gillian thanked the Board for their ongoing support including most recently in determining at the strategic planning day that the management team could investigate opportunities for supporting the most vulnerable people in our community.

Gillian also thanked the City of Sydney for their continued support.

Election of Governance Committee

Returning Officer, Delicia Joyce thanked the outgoing members of the Board and declared all positions vacant.

Delicia reported that seven nominations had been received for nine positions and declared Anthony McMahon, Karina Kreminski, Linda Bretherton, Peta Landman, Jay Scott, and Jo Kowalczyk elected.

Gillian thanked Delicia for work, congratulated the Board members on their election, and indicated that positions would be discussed at the December meeting.

General Business

None

AGM 2021

It was proposed to hold the 2021 AGM on Tuesday 16 November.

Meeting closed at 6:44pm

Membership Renewal 2021 - 2022

Full Name	
Postal Address	Postcode
Email	Phone (home)
Mobile	Phone (work)
Signature	Date

I hereby apply to renew my membership of the Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre Inc. for 2021-2022 year. I agree to be bound by the Constitution for the time being in force.

Annual Membership Fee: \$2.00	Amount Paid: \$	Payment Method: <i>(please tick one)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> EFT (Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre BSB 062 258 Account 901833)
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Members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of SHNC and are eligible to vote at all general meetings of the association.