

# MANNINGHAM U3A INC

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in Templestowe Leisure Centre at 2pm, 19 October 2000

### 1. Welcome

The President, Heather Ambrose welcomed in excess of 90 members and a number of special guests:

The Hon. Bill Forwood MLC for Templestowe Province  
Rob Wallace, President, Donvale Living and Learning Centre  
Rita Butera, Executive Officer, Donvale Living and Learning Centre  
Sheila Moore, Hon. Sec., U3A Network  
Alison Carlson, U3A Network, Victoria  
Bill North

Mr Forwood responded to the President's invitation to say a few words, mentioning the high regard in which Manningham U3A is held.

### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Kevin Andrews, Federal Member for Menzies  
The Hon. Carlo Furletti, MLC for Templestowe Province  
The Hon. Phil Honeywood, MP, Warrandyte  
Councillors Julie Eisenbise and Bill Larkin  
Geoff Draper and Sue Neal, Community Services, Manningham Council  
Tess Tsindos  
Dermott Kearney                      Margaret Scott-Pross                      John Moore                      Ann Pask  
Helen Field                              Pat Taplin                              Pat McDonald                      Bill George  
Yole Sherry                              Evelyne Perks                              Irina Pupedis                      Jan Mitchell  
Janet Pelzer                              Klaus Pelzer                              Carmen Woodward                      Frank Woodward  
Lorraine Peacocke

### 3. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 1999

Moved: That the minutes of the AGM of 1999 be confirmed

Moved: Henry Zimmerman

Seconded: Pauline Wright

Carried

### 4. Business arising from the minutes: Nil

### 5. Annual Reports

The President delivered her report, advising that it incorporated information from all Committee members about their activities. The Treasurer's report and the Curriculum report were distributed together with the Minutes and the Agenda.

While members considered the reports, Rob Wallace was invited to say a few words on behalf of Donvale Living and Learning Centre. He mentioned issues of joint concern to U3A and DL&LC, especially accommodation.

#### 6. Acceptance of Reports

Moved: That the annual reports be accepted

Moved: Hazel Ferguson

Seconded: Moira Axtens

Carried

#### 7. Election of Office Bearers

As Public Officer, Judy Downie declared the results of the election of office bearers. As there were seven nominations for seven vacant positions, there was no need for a vote.

The Committee of Management for the year 2000-2001 is as follows:

President	Heather Ambrose
Vice-President	Bridget Halge
Secretary	Judy Downie
Treasurer	Dermott Kearney
Ordinary Member	David Silver
Ordinary Member	Betty Ellis
Ordinary Member	Roland Authier

The meeting offered its congratulations to the new Committee

#### 8. Presentations

Bridget Halge presented retiring Committee members Don Gay and Robyn McIver with wine and Certificates of Appreciation, in recognition of their invaluable contribution to Manningham U3A.

Heather Ambrose presented Bill North with a Certificate confirming his Life Membership of Manningham U3A in recognition of his many years of service and his continuing contribution to the association.

#### 9. Guest Speaker – Ms Sheila Moore, Hon. Sec. U3A Network, Victoria

Judy Downie welcomed Ms Sheila Moore, providing a brief resume of her outstanding achievements over the years.

Ms Moore spoke about her life and her passion and commitment to life-long learning. It was a fascinating insight into a rich and interesting life.

At the conclusion of the talk, Ms Moore was thanked by Don Gay, who presented her with a pot plant, guaranteed to grow in her new home by the sea.

All present were invited to afternoon, again ably provided by our willing volunteers.

## VERBATIM

WELCOME TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MANNINGHAM U3A.  
My name is Heather Ambrose and I would like to open this meeting by thanking you all for your attendance, and for wearing your name tags. We have some guests with us who I would like to welcome and to introduce to you.

Sheila Moore who is our guest speaker for to-day.

The Honorable Bill Forwood, Member of Victorian Parliament,  
member for Templestowe

Rita Butera, Executive Officer of Donvale Living and Learning Centre

### WE HAVE APOLOGIES FROM

Kevin Andrews, Federal member for Menzies,  
Councillor Julie Eisenbise and Councillor Bill Larkin,  
Geoff Draper and Sue Neal from Community Services Department of the Council,  
and our members Dermott Kearney, Margaret Scott-Pross, Carmen and Frank Woodward,

If there are any more apologies I would like you to write them here after the meeting so that they can be recorded in the minutes.

On your seats you will have noticed a copy of to-day's agenda, last year's AGM minutes, and this year's Annual reports from the Treasurer, the Curriculum Co-ordinator and myself.

CAN I HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES FOR THE 1999 AGM?

Proposed:

Seconded:

All those in favour of this proposal?  
The motion has been carried.

Against?

IS THERE ANY BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES?

I will now present my report, which incorporates information from all committee members about their activities. (See page 182)

BRIDGET HALGE HAS PROVIDED A REPORT but would prefer you read it for yourselves.

THE TREASURER DERMOTT KEARNEY was unable to attend to-day, but his deputy, Gerald Pullin will answer any questions you may have regarding his report.

All those in favour?  
The motion has been carried.

Against?

ARE THERE QUESTIONS ABOUT ANY OF THE REPORTS?

WE COME NOW TO THE ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS and I call on the Public Officer, Judy Downie to announce the nominations and declare the election.  
Thank you Judy.

*[All seven positions on the committee are declared vacant.*

*We have received seven nominations for the positions. There is therefore no need for an election. I therefore declare the seven positions filled as follows:*

<i>Heather Ambrose</i>	<i>President</i>
<i>Bridget Halge</i>	<i>Vice President</i>
<i>Dermott Kearney</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
<i>Judy Downie</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
<i>David Silver</i>	<i>Ordinary member</i>
<i>Roland Authier</i>	<i>Ordinary member</i>
<i>Betty Ellis</i>	<i>Ordinary member]</i>

TWO MEMBERS OF OUR RETIRING COMMITTEE HAVE NOT RENOMINATED. They are Don Gay and Robyn McIver. Bridget Halge will thank them.

I NOW CALL UPON BILL NORTH TO COME TO THE FRONT.

Bill has been with the U3A since it began in 1991 in the Templestowe Orchards Retirement Village. He was always on hand to open and close the building, and to run the office single handed. As Secretary he wrote our first Constitution. Since the U3A moved to Templestowe Bill's health has prevented him from attending classes but he has continued his involvement by providing statistics to ACFE in the complicated format required. Two years ago Bill was given an Australia Day Award for his services to U3A. To-day, Bill, I have the very pleasant duty of awarding you a Life Membership to the Manningham U3A for your outstanding contribution.

JUDY DOWNIE WILL NOW INTRODUCE TO YOU OUR GUEST SPEAKER.

Don Gay will thank Sheila and announce afternoon tea.