



Minutes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Nov 1 2022 – Jun 30 2023

DATE: 11 November 2023

LOCATION: Video/In Person Conference

Board Room – **OzFish Unlimited Head Office, Ballina**

TIME: 11.00am – 11.45am EDST

Board Members In attendance: Craig Copeland, David Coogan, Martin Mallen-Cooper, Paul Tully, David Gardiner and Rachael Cavanagh.

Members in attendance: Harry Davey, Renee Ferenc, Cassie Price, David Smith, Colin Scobie, Tim Davenport and Victoria Elmsly

Board Members On Line: Miranda Bain, Kate Brooks, Diane Lanyon

Apologies: Brian Elton, Russell Reichelt

Members On Line: Mark Russow, Janine Field, Pui

Guests: Susan Barbour (Auditor),

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions

David Coogan welcomed guests online and in person paying respects to elders past present and emerging of the lands on which we were meeting. He thanked members for attending and congratulated members on a fantastic year. Two minutes silence was held in acknowledgement of Remembrance Day.

Craig Copeland recognised senior staff individually followed by all staff and their efforts to deliver outcomes often by themselves due to working remotely and wanted to commend staff for what OzFish have achieved.

2. AGM 2023 February Minutes – For approval

Moved by David Smith Seconded by Harry Davey. All in favour.

3. The Year in Review

Cassie Price (Director of Habitat Programs) and Renee Ferenc (Director of Engagement and Culture) provided a detailed review of the 22/23 short Annual reporting year

4. Approval of Annual Report and Financial Position

Moved by Craig Copeland, Seconded by Miranda Bain, All in favour

5. Questions and Issues from Members

- a. A member asked whether regulations have made our project work difficult? Cassie Price advised that yes, it has been particularly difficult in Victoria but also in other states and that there is a long way to go to make that a streamlined pathway.
- b. A member mentioned the current climate and possible drought on the horizon and asked about the implications for OzFish. Cassie Price advised that OzFish would look back at what we have done in the past and use this as a guideline and also to ensure we were looking after our people during difficult times.
- c. David Coogan asked about providing more activities for members. Craig/Cass advised that we have 50 chapters and of that 20 are very active, however some as less so. It takes a lot of time, effort, and funds to engage chapters and that there was a plan in place to improve engagement.

David Coogan thanked everyone for their hard work and outcomes.

6. Meeting Close 11.45am

Attached: [Annual Report 2022/23](#)

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