# **MANGAWHAI ARTISTS INCORPORATED (MAI)**

Incorporated Societies No. 2559362

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019 @ 1.30PM

VENUE; CITIZENS HALL, FAGAN PLACE MANGAWHAI HEADS

#### Draft

**Welcome**: Lynn Middleton opened the meeting and welcomed all present. Lynn chaired the meeting as Mary-Anne Boyd, Chair, was unable to attend as her husband had passed away the previous night. Sincere condolences were conveyed to Mary-Anne and her family.

#### **Present:**

Lynn Middleton	Ann Connew	Sue Town
Belinda Vernon	Ailsa Denis	Elena Nikoloeva
Malcolm Robert	Marion Bilton	Gayle Forster
Grant Mitchell	Chris den Hartogh	Grace Cheng

Jan Grover Julia Sutherland Rebecca Barclay-Clist

Clare Wells Marilyn Davies Cherry Smith
Janine Broughton Wendy Clifford Kim Hamilton

Nicola Everett Brenda Adams Raewyn Vague Cheryl Mitchell

#### **Apologies:**

Mary-Anne Boyd Tony Allen Wendy Leach
Logan Simich-Burr David Just Christine Moginie
Annie Kitchener Bridget Mintoff Rosina Kamphuis
Jean Fountain Els Switser Ann Howard
Jeanette Vickers Chris Allen

### Minutes of the last AGM 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018:

#### Matters arising from the previous minutes:

- Clarification re Registering for GST; the accountant has advised us not to register and to continue to operate as we currently are
- Resolution to change the due date for membership subscriptions. The change was too complicated to be implemented. The change had not been registered. It was agreed that subscriptions will be invoiced in the first 3 months of each new financial year.

#### The minutes were accepted

#### **Cheryl Mitchell / Rebecca Barclay-Clist**

#### **Financial Report:**

Jan Grover presented the commentary on financial statements to year ending 31/3/19, available on website. Highlights:

- The year ended with a surplus of \$26,776 a favourable variance of \$21,152 compared to 2018
- Variances in revenue and expenditure were explained with the main contribution to the favourable variance reflecting income relating to the Art Auction and PledgeMe donations made through the Gallery.
- PledgeMe income processed through the PledgeMe platform will be reported in the next financial year.
- Overall 2018/19 was a positive financial year, setting the organisation up well for the future.

Question: Kim Hamilton; why are the PledgeMe pledges not reflected in 2019/20 budget?

**Response:** These were settled after the campaign closed on 1/4/19 and will be reported in year end 31/3/20

The Financial Statements and Finance Report were received and approved: Marilyn Davies / Ailsa Denis

President's Annual Report by Mary-Anne Boyd was presented in her absence by Lynn Middleton, available on website.

Highlights for the year included:

- Nineteen exhibitions
- Kaipara Arts Awards.
- Learning opportunities 36 workshops/events and 500+ people participating or viewing
- Print week engaged approx. 100 people
- All consents and detailed planning for the new art space achieved
- Re-branding and launch of Friends of Mangawhai Artists (FOMA)
- Winning the Best Not for Profit organisation for Northland
- Winning the Best Micro Business in Northland
- Runner up for Best Creative Enterprise in Northland
- A fundraising art auction in February 19
- Launch of and community support for a successful PledgeMe campaign for Artist's Workshop extension.

**Stage 1: Art Workspace**: Council consents have been issued. Special thanks to Grant Mitchell and Kim Hamilton for their work on the project. Mangawhai / Silverdale Placemakers are welcomed as building partners. Finalising a lease with Library hall committee for a 10-year lease with further rights of renewal

**Stage 2: Community Arts Centre at Community Park**: A grant of \$30,000 from Council has been committed by Council for drawdown to meet costs of survey and/geotechnical report and initial preparation of the area and the report completed. The majority of this will be drawn down in future years.

The president's report concluded with special thanks and appreciation to all those who have helped support MAI throughout the year.

In response to a question, Kim Hamilton explained the work that was required to apply for and receive dispensation from Council for the flood plan management. Dispensation was received from Kaipara District Council.

No further questions were raised. The full report is available on the MAI website.

The President's report was received: Nicola Everett / Rebecca Barclay-Clist

# Notice of motion to change the Rules

Mangawhai Artists Inc Committee proposed three rule changes;

- To amend clause 8(a) by changing President to Chair and Vice President to Deputy Chair and all other consequential references to President and Vice President. Clauses 8(g), 14(f), 16(a), 22.
- 2 That clause 8(g) in OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE be deleted
  - (g) The President of the Society may hold office for not more than two (2) consecutive years and on the termination of his/her term of office shall not be eligible for re-election as President for a period of one (1) year.
- 3 To amend rule 13 by deleting the words May and April and replacing them with April and March.
  - 13. The financial year of the Society shall commence on the first day of May in each year and terminate on the last day of April after which date the accounts of the Society shall be balanced.

#### Discussion

1 To amend clause 8(a) by changing President to Chair and Vice President to Deputy Chair and all other consequential references to President and Vice President. Clauses 8(g), 14(f), 16(a), 22.

The Committee proposes this change as a tidy-up so the Constitution reflects the language, we use day-to-day to describe the two positions.

Moved Lynn Middleton / Grant Mitchell: Motion passed unanimously

# 2 That clause 8(g) in OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE be deleted

The intention of the deletion of clause 8(g) is to enable any sitting President to be nominated for reelection without a one-year stand-down period. The Committee proposes this because two years does not provide sufficient continuity for long term planning especially at the moment with our major development projects. Annual elections would continue to be required. Deleting 8(g) means the current President can be nominated at the 2019 AGM.

Moved Lynn Middleton / Grant Mitchell: Motion passed unanimously

3 To amend clause 13 by deleting the words May and April and replacing them with April and March.

This rule change is sought to align our financial year with usual accounting timeframes

Moved Lynn Middleton / Grant Mitchell: Motion passed unanimously

### Nominations for office:

Patron: Malcolm Roberts and Joanna Roberts

Chair: Mary-Anne Boyd
Vice Chair: Lynn Middleton
Treasurer: Jan Grover
Secretary: Clare Wells
Committee: Grant Mitchell

Wendy Leach Belinda Vernon Raewyn Vague Grace Cheng Chris den Hartogh

Finance Reviewer Jo Naish

The patrons, officers and committee were duly declared elected and the Finance Reviewer appointed.

### **Acknowledgements**

Thanks were given to retiring committee members and others who have given outstanding voluntary service to MAI. Certificates were awarded to:

- Brenda Adams, Sarah C, Puti Hookings, and Nicola Everett thanking them for their service on the committee and to MAI
- For service to the Artists Gallery Jeanette Vickers, Bill Adams and Chris Allen
- Kim Hamilton for his services to planning for Mangawhai Art Workspace and for coordinating the Easter Art trail, and
- to Mary-Anne Boyd in recognition of her work for MAI

The following message of commendation for Mary-Anne was received from Rosina Kamphuis and Els Switser.

Good afternoon Mary-Anne and Committee,

Because we could not be here today, Els and I would still like to make a contribution to this afternoon's happenings, and Lynn has very kindly offered to read our message to you, thank you Lynn. Firstly we would like to express our thanks to our Chair Mary-Anne for another great year's hard work, which has "grown" Mangawhai Artists Inc. enormously. Mary-Anne, your dedication, thoughtfulness, enthusiasm and commitment to the job as Chair does not go unnoticed, and your personal

attentiveness to us all is heart warming and so supportive! You commend and reward us so often as we take the MAI journey together, now it's time to praise all of your efforts! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Committee, thank you for a great year's work! Thank you for your commitment and hard work especially the work that we don't all get to see behind the scenes, the work that supports and benefits all of us. We are very grateful!

And thank you committee members who are signing off or taking a break, for all that you have done, we are very grateful for your input, organizing, trail-blazing, and time-giving that puts the MAI ahead, and your personal time back quite a few notches!

So, Captain and Ship, a big thank you, and full steam ahead! Rosina and Els.

15.6.2019

Their message was endorsed by acclamation from those present.

**General business:** No questions or comments were received from the floor.

Meeting ended at 2.25 pm Submitted by Ann Connew