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**For Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 2.30pm
at Docklands Library**

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Attendance

Chair: Russell Huntington

Present: Russell Huntington, Ann Johns, Jane Tulloch, Pauline Lomas, Merylyn Harris, Paul Wilkinson, Kai Simpson, Julianne Wight plus 48 members (32 in person + 16 Zoom) and 22 proxies.

Apologies: Brenda Meincke, May van Olphen

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country

President Russell Huntington welcomed all members to the meeting and acknowledged the traditional owners the Woiwurrung (Wurundjeri) and Boonwurrung people of the Kulin Nations.

2. Confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 20th Nov 2020.

Motion: *That the Minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting, held on the 20th November 2020, be approved.*

Moved: Maria Quayle

Seconded: Paul O'Brien

The motion was carried.

3. Receive and consider the Annual Report and the Financial Statement for the preceding financial year.

The President presented the report highlighting the significant difficulties faced again this year. He noted that the experience we had gained in 2020 meant we were well placed to respond to the challenge and once again everyone had stepped up to make it a successful year. Six Team Leaders are stepping down at this AGM and successors for all of them have been sought and found. The website has been developed during the year with the new look site launching in September.

Financially, the unavoidable changes to delivery resulted in a surplus of \$52,749 against a budgeted deficit of \$5,519. This was due to a higher than forecast membership and significant classroom rental savings due to pandemic lockdowns.

Motion: *That the 2021 report be received and adopted.*

Moved: Jane Tulloch

Seconded: Neil Rickards

The motion was carried.

Vice President: Ann Johns
Secretary: Jane Tulloch
Treasurer: Pauline Lomas

Committee Member: Kai Simpson
Committee Member: Peter Lawson
Committee Member: Sharon Carter
Committee Member: Paul Wilkinson
Committee Member: Julienne Wight

Given that the nominations were the number of members and office bearers required, all nominees were declared elected.

10. President's Address

The President outlined plans for 2022. A substantial return to face-to-face learning is planned supported by a strengthened course co-ordination team and tutor complement. A Zoom element will be maintained, including the Summer School and regular Webinars. Face-to-face Forums are to return. There are plans to utilise termly themes to focus the offering and attract new members and tutors. 2022 will be the Year of the Tutor. The social agenda will be reflected with an increase in Let's Do activities and the return of the Winter Lunch.

11. Closing

The meeting closed at 3.25pm.

The AGM was followed by a presentation and discussion with Gerard Mansour, the Commissioner for Senior Victorians.