

<p>XC</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>MINUTES</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>For 37th Annual General Meeting Thursday 1 December 2022 at 2.30pm at Docklands Library</b></p>
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**Attendance**

**Chair:** Russell Huntington

**Present:** Russell Huntington, Ann Johns, Jane Tulloch, Pauline Lomas, Merylyn Harris, Peter Lawson, Julienne Wight, Paul Wilkinson  
plus 92 members - 48 in person and 44 proxies.

**Apologies:** Sharon Carter, Kai Simpson

**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 past, present and emerging.

**2. Confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 1 December 2021.**

**Motion:** *That the Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, held on 1 December 2021 be approved.*

**Moved:** P Wilkinson                      **Seconded:** E Chua  
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:

- Member numbers had suffered during the pandemic, but were recovering;
- the increasingly successful use of social media as a marketing tool;
- the production at BMW Edge of ‘Who Do We Think We Are?’ that drew an audience of 260 to enjoy 20 members sharing their life stories;
- the lack of support from the Melbourne City Council for its local U3A; and
- The cycling trip by 16 U3A members to Hawkes Bay NZ, where they were joined by 4 local U3a members.

Financially, a more favourable position resulted in a deficit of \$16,902 against a budgeted deficit of \$37,823. Income was reduced due to discounted fees being offered, but membership increased by 7%. Expenditure increased substantially due to the return of many face-to-face classes.

**Motion:** *That the 2022 report be received and adopted.*  
**Moved:** N Macwhirter                    **Seconded:** J Wight  
The motion was carried.

**4. Motion regarding New Membership Joining Fee:**

**Motion:** *That the New Membership Joining Fee of \$20 be suspended indefinitely.*  
**Moved:** A Johns                            **Seconded:** P Lawson  
The motion was carried.

**5. Motion regarding Annual Membership Fee:**

**Motion:** *That the Committee of Management be authorised, at its discretion and at the appropriate time, to raise the Annual Membership Fee (Full and Associate) by a maximum of 5% in any one year.*  
**Moved:** N Rickards                        **Seconded:** A Johns  
The motion was carried.

**6. Motion regarding early renewal discount:**

**Motion:** *That the Committee of Management be authorised, at its discretion, to discount the Annual Membership Fee (Full and Associate) by a maximum of 30% for any member who joins or renews between a date, to be set annually, in October and a date, to be set annually, in November for memberships for the ensuing year.*  
**Moved:** M Harris                            **Seconded:** P Wilkinson  
The motion was carried.

**7. Motion regarding the discounted mid-year joining fee:**

**Motion:** *That the Committee of Management be authorised, at its discretion, to offer membership at not less than 50% of the full year fee for members joining on or after 1 July in any year.*  
**Moved:** P Lawson                            **Seconded:** E Way  
The motion was carried.

**8. Motion regarding the Annual Ratification of Fees:**

**Motion:** *That the financial motions detailed here or any amendment to them are presented to the AGM for ratification.*  
**Moved:** J Wight                              **Seconded:** J Nankervis  
The motion was carried.

**9. Respond to any Submitted Questions.**

There were no submitted questions.

## 10. Life Membership and Recognition of Service Awards

The President presented to the meeting citations for the Members receiving awards, approved by the Committee of Management, since the last AGM. Life Memberships were awarded to R Matters, A Moodie and D Reid. Recognition of Service Awards was made to F Devlin Glass. Presentations were made to those present.

## 11. Election of Officers and Members to the Committee of Management:

The returning officer, J Nankervis, declared all positions vacant. Nominations have been received as follows. All nominees are financial members of U3A Melbourne City Inc.

<b>President:</b>	Russell Huntington	<b>Committee Member:</b>	Merilyn Harris
<b>Vice President:</b>	Sharon Carter	<b>Committee Member:</b>	Ann Johns
<b>Secretary:</b>	Kate McKenzie	<b>Committee Member:</b>	Peter Lawson
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Pauline Lomas	<b>Committee Member:</b>	Kai Simpson
		<b>Committee Member:</b>	Jane Tulloch
		<b>Committee Member:</b>	Neil Rickards
		<b>Committee Member:</b>	Paul Wilkinson

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

## 12. President's Address

The President outlined plans for 2023. Plans include:

- the almost complete return to face-to-face learning;
- more than 66 year-long classes;
- 27 short courses in Term 1;
- 16 Let's Do groups including Lawn Bowls;
- NAIDOC week;
- Women's history theme in March;
- special activities in Volunteers week; and
- support from an expanded course co-ordination team.

## 13. Closing

The meeting closed at 3.25pm.

The AGM was followed by a presentation by, and discussion with, Annie Grigg, the President of the Victorian U3A network.