# LAUNCESTON FILM SOCIETY

#### MINUTES OF 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at Village Cinemas on 25th February, 2019.

The meeting opened at 5.55pm.

#### WELCOME BY PRESIDENT

Peter Gillard opened the meeting and welcomed ... members present.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 2018 AGM**

Copies of the minutes from the meeting held on 26th February 2018 had been available on the website preceding the meeting.

Moved Gail Bendall, seconded Michelle Donanska, that the Minutes be adopted as a true record of<br/>the meeting.Carried on the hands.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Peter Gillard referred to his written report contained in the latest Newsreel and confirmed that the Launceston Film Society is going well. We have a full membership of over 1600 and are in a strong financial position. We have a very strong relationship with Village Cinemas and are satisfied that all management issues are well controlled.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Treasurer Ed Beswick presented the audited financial report, which had been available on the website for approximately a week prior to the meeting. Hard copies were available at the meeting. Ed reported that the financial activity was consistent with previous years, this year resulting in a deficit. This was mainly due to upgrading expense on the website which has been much improved for ease of use by our members, and return to sponsorship of BOFA. Due to our strong position we were happy to be able to maintain membership fees for the current year which with additional expenses resulted in a deficit.

Ed advised that if any member had questions regarding the Financials they should contact the Society by email.

**Moved** Ed Beswick, **seconded**, Michael Booth, *that the Financial report be adopted*.

Carried on the hands.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

**It was resolved** that Crowe Horwath be reappointed as auditor for 2019.

Carried on the hands.

#### **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE.**

Peter reminded members that nominations for the committee had been invited from all members and closed prior to the AGM. He said all positions had been declared vacant and that all Committee members had re-nominated. As there were no additional nominations, all Committee members were re-elected unopposed.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Member Concern** A member spoke to the meeting to explain her distress at the recent screening of the movie "Custody". She explained that she felt the classification should have been more specific and that the review in Newsreel should have better warned her of the content of the movie. She also felt that there should have been a following slide giving details of who to phone if distressed, e.g. Lifeline.

Peter Gillard advised that the Committee does not see movies prior to screening and take the information from Reviews that we are able to access.

Life Membership The Committee had the pleasure to bestow Life Membership on former Treasurer, Kim Pridham. In presenting Kim with her Life Membership card, Peter Gillard thanked Kim for her nine years as Treasurer during which time she lifted the accounting practices to a professional level. He congratulated Kim on her wonderful contribution to the Society.

# CLOSE

The President thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 6.05pm.