

## LAUNCESTON FILM SOCIETY

**MINUTES OF 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at Village Cinemas on 27th February, 2023.**

**The meeting opened at 6pm.**

### WELCOME BY PRESIDENT

Janez Zagoda opened the meeting and welcomed 203 members present. He explained that our AGM needed to be held prior to a movie screening to ensure a quorum was present.

### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 2022 AGM

Copies of the minutes from the meeting held on 28th February 2022 had been available on the website preceding the meeting.

**Moved** Gail Bendall, **seconded** Ron Baines, *that the Minutes be adopted as a true record of the meeting.* **Carried on the hands.**

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Janez spoke to his report which was published in the Term 1 Newsreel.

He added that the question was put to members in their renewal process whether they would like English sub-titles in English speaking movies. The question was put a) in all such movies, b) only in such movies with strong accents, or c) none at all.

He explained that whilst 41% wanted none at all, the remaining 59% wanted either a) or b).

We showed our first "strong accent" movie, *Banshees of Inisherin* in February and included sub-titles.

Janez advised that we will continue to request sub-titles for strong accented English-speaking movies, but pointed out that not all such movies had sub-titles available.

He thanked the Committee for their continued service to the Society.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Ed Beswick presented the audited financial report, which had been available on the website. Hard copies were available at the meeting.

Ed reported that the financials reflected a deficit of \$29,037. He advised that membership fee had been increased by \$5 for 2022, but as numbers remained lower than previously and our costs remained static, a deficit resulted.

He assured members that the financial position of the Society was secure, and the Committee was closely monitoring the situation.

Ed advised that if any member had questions regarding the Financials they should contact the Society by email or meet with him at the door of Wednesday 6.30pm screenings.

**Moved** Ed Beswick, **seconded**, Alvaro Ascui, *that the Financial report be adopted.*

**Carried on the hands.**

## **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

Ed Beswick advised the Committee proposed a change of auditors due to previous Auditor, Crowe Horwath now operating their audits interstate.

**It was moved** Ed Beswick, **seconded** Donald McGinty, *that Ruddicks be appointed as auditor for 2023.*

**Carried on the hands.**

## **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE.**

There were seven nominations for Committee and all seven were elected unopposed.

President:	Janez Zagoda
Vice President:	Mark Horner
Treasurer:	Ed Beswick
Secretary:	Gail Bendall
Membership Secretary:	Gill Ireland
Ordinary Members:	Anne Green Allison Edwards

There remains a casual vacancy which will be advertised by the Committee.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Other Business** – There was no other business

## **CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 6.11pm