



MARGARET RIVER

Independent SCHOOL

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AGENDA FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

To be held from 10.30am Sunday, **19 March 2023** at The Common Bistro, 1 Resort Pl, Gnarabup

1. WELCOME

2. APOLOGIES & ATTENDANCE

a. Apologies:

b. Attendance:

Note: As per 2019 Constitution 12.f.i. "At any AGM and Special General meetings, a quorum shall be ten percent (10%) of voting members..."

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Draft minutes of AGM 27 March 2022 will be available via School Stream app and our website from 14 March.

4. REPORTS

Draft MRIS 2022 Annual Report includes:

- Reports from the Chairperson, Principal, Treasurer including the presentation of the 2022 Audited Accounts, the Secretary, Parent Body Representative and Portfolio Holders
- Sub Committee Reports
- Update on 2021-2025 Strategic Plan
- Update on 2022 Parent Survey.

The electronic Draft Annual Report will be available for review from 14 March, contact secretary@mr.is.wa.edu.au to get a copy or access it via School Stream or our website.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1. Setting of membership fees

Motion: Membership fees for parents of guardians of students and students be considered as the tuition fees, all other membership fees shall be set at \$1.00pa

Proposed: Beth Dowling Seconded: Jessica Worrall

Rationale: Under the constitution (section 4 and 5) membership is automatically conferred on parent of guardians of students, staff, and students (under 18s are without voting rights), otherwise membership should be applied for. Membership fees are to be determined at the AGM. As we would like to encourage some wider community involvement (e.g. past students or parents) we should set a nominal fee only.

5.2. Special Resolution Revision of MRIS Constitution and Rules

Motion: Incorporation of some Model Rules into the Margaret River Independent School Constitution, in relation to:

1. Giving notice of meetings by email (amendment to clause 12(f));
2. Voting by proxy at meetings (new clause 12(g); and
3. Attending general meetings by telephone or other electronic means (new clause 12(h)).

See attached "Special Resolution 2023 Proposed Constitutional Changes MRIS" circulated 17/02/2023, to be read.

Proposed: Clare Gleeson Seconded: Jessica Worrall

5.3. Request for Sub-Committee membership

5.4. Any other business

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6. ELECTION OF GOVERNING BODY OFFICERS

The Governing Body consists of up to 12 members and includes the following officers:

Chairperson and Secretary - 2 year term (elected in even years)

Treasurer and Parent Body representative - 2 year term (elected in odd years)

Deputy, Heads of Portfolios and General Members - Annual terms

The principal of the school is a non-voting member of the GB.

(Current Portfolios are: Alumni, Building & Infrastructure, Communications & Marketing, Policies & Procedures)

Note that the two year term of the **Chairperson** (Jessica Worrall) continues this year. **Secretary** should also continue this year, however due to a casual vacancy Simone Taplin has been filling the role until this AGM.

The following nominations have been received for 2023:

Treasurer: Beth Dowling (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "I believe in the philosophy and aims of MRIS and would like to make a positive contribution. My experience as an accountant can be utilised as treasurer."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Secretary: Simone Taplin (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "To be part of a team that works together for the interest of the students. Being actively involved in the direction and activities of the school."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Parent Body Rep: Belinda Heussenstamm (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "I have enjoyed being on the Governing Body the last few years and have learnt so much about the governance of the school. I look forward to learning more and continuing in this role."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Deputy Chairperson - Lydell Huntly (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "Having been on the GB since 2017 and in my final year at the School, I feel I have a good understanding of the governance required to support this amazing school with its quality teachers and approach to educating and growing the whole child."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Alumni – Robert Astromsky (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "To stay on the GB to provide continuity another alumni representative can be found."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Buildings & Infrastructure – Paul Chamberlain (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "As a Senior Teacher I contribute my vast experience, wisdom and passion in, and for, education. As a Science and Technologies (Engineering) Teacher at MRSHS, I have current knowledge and skills in STEM and the relevant software/ technology. I also possess a keen eye for the "where to" from Primary school since I live and breathe it every day."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

Communication & Marketing - nil

Policies & Procedures - nil

General Member: Bridgette Byrne (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "I have a great passion for the ethos of the school. I enjoy engaging with parents and families to offer my help and guidance where I can, and in turn enjoy learning from others. I am driven to help bring families together to contribute their time and knowledge to help build this amazing school community we are lucky enough to be a part of."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

General Member: Digby Fleming (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "I believe in the phrase 'It takes a village to raise a child.', and my experience to date has shown MRIS plays a significant role in our village and child's development. I'm hoping my life skills and those developed in Commercial and Research Aquaculture, and as an Operator in the Oil & Gas industry, can contribute positively to the governance of the school and in turn the successful outcomes it's students."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

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General Member: Clare Gleeson (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "To participate in policy creation, decision making and regulatory compliance. To support portfolio holders, where required."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

General Member: Sam Macgugan (nominated by self)

Reason for accepting the nomination: "I joined to learn more about my daughter's new school, to be more involved and to help wherever possible."

Recommendation by the GB: Accept

7. THANKS & CLOSE