

## Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting held on 27th July 2025

The AGM was held at the beautiful home of members Dave and Wendy Cornock.

Copies of the Agenda, the minutes of the 2024 AGM and the 2025-2026 Nomination Committee Report were emailed to members before the meeting. Paper copies of these documents and the 2024-2025 Season Financial Statements were available at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President, Malcolm Harvey, at 3:19 p.m. A quorum was established.

# Approval of the Agenda:

It was moved by Carl Powell and seconded by Guy Blais "To approve the agenda as presented." Carried

### Approval of the 2024 AGM minutes:

It was moved by Bronwyn Taylor and seconded by Sheila McKenzie "To approve the minutes of the 2024 AGM". Carried

## **President's Report:**

St Luke's Players Community Theatre (SLPCT) has had a very good year where attendance was up and expenses were down. We have purchased wireless headsets which will make communication during a performance much better. The sound system is being upgraded with the installation of additional stage microphones and hall speakers. We are also in the process of buying a new lighting system which will encourage more volunteers to run the lights. Our existing lighting board was purchased from a professional theatre and is quite intimidating for new volunteers but the new system is used by schools and other theatre companies with far fewer buttons and levers so volunteers will be able to move seamlessly from one venue to another.

New equipment does not replace our volunteers, and we need to attract new members that can take over crew positions such as directing, producing, costumes, and designing lighting and sound. We also need someone to help advertise our shows on social media.

The President's Report was accepted as presented

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Copies of the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements were available at the meeting. The statements are to the end of June 2025, which is our year end. To summarize:

This year showed an improved performance compared to the previous year. It indicates that audiences are back to pre-Covid levels. The second half of the season exceeded pre Covid which could indicate that the next season (2025/26) will even be better. Another indicator is the increase in season ticket sales for 2025/26 which currently were higher than the numbers for this time last year.

At last year's AGM there was some concern that costs were increasing at an unsustainable rate. However, this year production costs were greatly reduced in most areas.

This is all good news for St Lukes Players and for St Lukes Church to whom we are able to donate \$32,000, a 23% increase over last year.



The Treasurer's Report was accepted as distributed.

John Crickman was nominated to audit the Financial Statements for the 2024-2025 season.

#### Election of Officers for the 2025-2026 season:

The election was presided over by Jo and Mitch Barnes. All positions were acclaimed so scrutineers were not required.

Candidate for President: Malcolm Harvey

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Malcolm Harvey was declared President.

Candidate for Vice President: Beverly van Druten-Blais

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Beverly van Druten-Blais was declared Vice President.

Candidate for Secretary: Susan Nicholl

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Susan Nicholl was declared acclaimed as Secretary.

Candidate for Treasurer: Mike Chadwick

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Mike Chadwick was acclaimed as Treasurer.

Candidates for Members at Large (five positions):

Stephen Lewis had to step down for medical reasons. We hope his health improves so he can rejoin the executive at a future date. Five candidates were nominated for Member at Large. There was a call for further nominations from the floor, but no additional candidates came forward. The following members were acclaimed to the position of Member and Large for the 2025-2026 Season:

Dom Ali Geoff Davidson

Sheila McKenzie

Jim Rabb

**Bronwyn Taylor** 

There was a call for a nominating committee for next year and Jim Rabb agreed to run again. Jim's first recruit will be a second person for the nominating committee.

# **Any Other Business:**

The President was asked if there is a plan to increase ticket prices. The answer was that ticket prices will be discussed again this year.

## Announcements:

A big thank you to Wendy and Dave for hosting the event.

#### Adjournment:



It was moved by **Carl Powell,** "To adjourn the meeting." Carried.

The meeting adjourned at **3:47 p.m**. and was followed by a BBQ.

