

## **Record of Meeting**

# Annual General Meeting

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2009 Opened at12.10 pm Central TAFE, Northbridge

#### **Attendees**

Olga Mawhinney, Carmen Stewart, Carol Wohlnick, Yvonne Wiese, Eileen Walter, Genevie Baker, Jeanette Rengel, Rosie O'Keefe, Jenny Ayres, Rosie Edmiston, Sarah Hannah, Joanne Jilbert, Anita Ganz, Trish Cestrilli, Jeanette Lyons, Pauline O'Brien, Cathy Dale, Sophie Jaques, Siouxsie Gleisinger, Lisa Paris, Leslee Rowlands, Thelma Cluning, Lynda Kuntyj.

#### **Apologies**

Eliza Leano, Dionne Garvey, Janet Hummerston, Kath Neeling

**Minutes from last AGM** – accepted as true and accurate by Carmen Stewart, seconded Trish Cestrilli

## **Annual reports**

#### President – Lynda Kuntyj

Powerpoint presentation - images of Art Ed changes and achievements throughout 2008. Sincere thanks given to the hard working team effort and of individual members on various committees and for the support given throughout the year.

#### Vice President - Carmen Stewart

Acknowledged and thanked Lynda for her tireless effort in creating a vision for the future of Art Ed WA.

## Treasurer - Patricia Cestrilli

A summary of financial expenditure for 2008 was tabled. Finances are in a 'healthy state'. Income is up due to increased memberships, workshops and commissions from sale of works from 1<sup>st</sup> Love exhibition. Expenditure increased because of rebranding, the updating of our website, and the production of colour journals.

#### Webmaster - Pauline O'Brien

Brendan Hibbert, Pauline O'Brien, and Lynda Kuntyj were responsible for the website renewal which occurred during 2008. The Google Analytic's report indicates that 3,063 visits were made to the website from 71 countries from  $22^{nd}$  June  $-18^{th}$  Feb 2009. A new function to the website is the ability to receive a summary of postings as a personal email; just subscribe to get the e newsletter (click on calendar top right of website). Quite a few people are subscribers but are not actually members of ArtEdWA. The issue with Yahoo group email has been resolved; the example of the 'Painted Shoe' email was cited as receiving four replies that were rightfully directed back to Pauline. Pauline will make the content of her Painted Shoe enquiry public on the website. There was unanimous acknowledgement of Brendan Hibbert's valuable effort and support throughout the year. "Brendan you're a beauty!"

#### **Publications** – read by Yvonne Wiese for Dionne Garvey

### i. Art Education Journal

The Publications Committee in consultation with Lynda Kuntyj (President) and designer Brendan Hibbert, worked in 2008 on creating a more professional and streamlined look for the journal. A new template was created that is transferable ensuring consistent formatting for future journals. The Publications Committee of 2008 thanked the Executive and Lynda Kuntyj (President) for their collaboration and assistance with the Journal over the course of the year. Looking to the future, the new Publications Committee and Executive will need to look at how many documents will be produced in 2009 and who will take on the role as designer.

#### ii. Arts Still Alive - Pauline

Pauline took over the distribution from Jeanette Rengel. A new invoice pro forma was set up and monies due were sent directly to the PO Box address for subsequent banking. Gen Baker took a box of books to country areas which were eagerly purchased. Sarah Hannah did a great job of promoting at Curtin Uni during the holidays and sold \$725 worth of books in two days! Remaining book numbers as of 21/02/09 are –Vol 6 -10; Vol 9 -12; Vol 10 -20. Approximately \$1300 -\$1500 (price varies from \$10 -\$25) has been received from sales this year. An archived set of Arts Alive has been created – but volumes 1,2,3, & 7 are missing. An 'Arts Still Alive' stocktake distribution table was provided. There appears to be an appetite for creating a new Arts Alive.

#### **Secondary Convenor** – Lynda Kuntyj

A number of professional learning workshops were hosted in 2008 including; a screen printing workshop, studio visit to Picnic Hill, a textiles workshop, mixed media drawing workshop, universal design PD, non-toxic etching with Peter Lowe at the Art Gallery of WA. Organising and running professional learning is a large job and therefore members support is very important to keep it lively. Kath Neeling, Carmen Stewart and Leslee Rowlands have workshops in mind for this year.

## **Events & Partnerships**

Lynda Kuntyj has contacted Boffins book shop. Other partnership links have included liaising with Australia Graphic Design Association (AGDA) and the cross fertilisation of professional learning activities.

## Membership - Genevie Baker

Posting reminders at end of 2008 was a positive initiative with good results for renewal of membership. In 2007 we had 101 members, 2008 = 141, and already for 2009 new memberships and renewals have totalled 105. Streamlining of the direct debit system is still needed to increase efficiency. A reminder for schools to include the membership details (or form) with their cheque/payment. The process of card-making needs to be streamlined to expedite the entire membership process eg a plastic card to replace the current laminated one will be inquired into to. Thanks were given to members for their patience in waiting for membership cards.

## **Professional Teachers Council of WA (PTCWA)** – Genevie Baker

This organisation represents all teachers and looks at curriculum values, national initiatives, the 'big picture' of education. Thelma Cluning and Gen Baker represented us in 2008 and Gen would like to nominate to go on the committee again this year. The PTCWA Calendar is being sent to schools with the next mail out being 26<sup>th</sup> June. We need to consider whom we will nominate for the distinguished teacher awards ceremony to be held around October at ECU in Mt Lawley. COAG members who represent all sectors are Andrew Thompson and Norma Jeffries.

#### **Primary Convenor** – Rosie Edmiston

In 2008 the Primary sector focused on promoting network groups for sharing. The goal was to make the PD's accessible to everyone in the metropolitan area (north, south, east and

central). The first major success was a printmaking partnership with Jackson's Drawing and Art Supplies in May. 'Show and tell' sessions continued throughout the year. Committee members ran two workshops during the year- Hollow Form felting by Sarah Hanna and Paint Shop Pro by Rosie Edmiston. The ECU mentoring program by Lisa Paris proved to be successful in 2008 and worth supporting. In 2007 there were 31 Primary members while in 2008 numbers have doubled. Thanks were given to all committee members for their dedication and support throughout the year, especially to Pauline.

## **ELECTIONS FOR 2009**

#### **Office Bearers**

President: Lynda Kuntyj

Vice President: Pauline O'Brien

Treasurer: Patricia Cestrilli Secretary: Rosie O'Keefe Membership: Gen Baker

Voting was by secret ballot as seven nominations were received for following:

### **Five Ordinary Members**

Sarah Hannah Carmen Stewart Gen Baker Yvonne Wiese Rosie Edmiston

Allocation of sub committees is to be advised. A form was circulated for members to indicate their interest in being on a sub committee. A planning day for the newly elected committee is to be advised. Gen Baker offered the Catholic Education Office (after hours) as a venue. Discussion regarding the Constitution ensued.

**Motion** - To review the Constitution. (Moved by Thelma Cluning, seconded by Lynda Kuntyj and Carmen Stewart)

**Action:** The Vice President will review the Constitution (1981) in 2009 and members will be notified of an Extraordinary meeting when suggested changes will be put to the membership for adoption as the new constitution.

### **Other Business**

- There is a need for general meetings (once a term) at eg schools for networking, for guest speakers and to provide an opportunity for issues to be raised.
- It was suggested to have it after the committee meeting as EVENTS for both Primary and Secondary teachers.
- Suggestion to donate the 1<sup>st</sup> Love charity money to Victoria bushfire victims; Art Therapy or Princess Margaret Hospital
- Contact Pauline O'Brien (webmaster) for changes of email address.
- Congratulations to the newly elected committee members and a call to all members for their support

## Meeting Closed 1.55 pm.