
MINUTES OF AGM 2017

Doula Network Australia Incorporated

Logistics

Date: Wednesday 6 September 2017
Time: 12.00pm AEDT
Place: Online (Zoom) <https://zoom.us/j/368609767>
Purpose: Annual General Meeting
Attendees: Christa Buckland, Julia MacLeod, Kate Bentick, Catherine Bell, Jodie Moss, Kelly Evans, Ellen Croucher
Apologies: Vicki Hobbs, Nimity Keon, Sandra Mulligan, Anjo Pol, Shaik, Syahirah, Rebecca Tompsett
Chair: Christa Buckland
Note taker: Christa Buckland

Business

1. Meeting commenced at 12.38pm. Chairperson welcomed everyone.
2. Chairperson's report: see Appendix A
Discussion: Members discussed benefits should be exclusively for members who have paid membership fee. We should approach the doula training organisations to connect with them so that they can refer their students to the association. It was suggested that if we are serious about doubling our member numbers we should make the Facebook group only for paid members – give notice of 6 months for this.
Outcome: 100% voted in favour of Facebook group being for paid members only and providing members of the Facebook group 6 months to join.
3. Treasurer's report: See Appendix B
Discussion: Ideas for what the association can spend money on include marketing, videos, Facebook advertising (sponsored posts).
4. Election of committee members. Christa Buckland (President), Julia MacLeod (Vice President), Claire Wyborn (Treasurer), Ellen Croucher (Secretary), Jennifer McCartin, Danera Wilkinson, Vicki Hobbs
Outcome: 100% voted in the affirmative
5. Next meeting (AGM): Wednesday 5th September 2018, 12pm AEST.
6. Meeting ended at 1.03pm

END OF MEETING.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

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Notes

- Recap: At our last AGM we had 85 members. 60 had paid, 25 had not paid.
 - 3 ACT; 48 NSW; 1 NT; 12 QLD; 4 SA; 2 TAS; 11 VIC; 8 WA
- As of 6 September 2017, we have 205 members. 128 have paid. We have members in every state and territory. We also have 629 Facebook members.
 - 6 ACT
 - 100 NSW
 - 1 NT
 - 34 QLD
 - 6 SA
 - 4 TAS
 - 39 VIC
 - 15 WA
- We have **doubled our membership numbers** since our last AGM. At our last AGM our goal was to have 200+ members by our next AGM so we have achieved that!
- Vision
 - Releasing videos – raising awareness of doulas.
 - Creating a Doula Network PowerPoint presentation for hospital staff
 - ‘What is a doula?’ position paper.
 - Getting started guide for members.
 - Facebook Live
 - Local Meet ups
 - Webinars – learning from one another.
 - Double our member numbers 500. (With a goal to reach 1000 the following year).
 - Encouraging informal members to join the association – need to clearly communicate the benefits.

END OF REPORT.

TREASURER REPORT

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Assets

- \$1,179.82 TOTAL
 - \$447.53 in bank account (Commonwealth Bank)
 - \$732.29 in PayPal account
- This money has been raised through membership fees and conference tickets (for next year).

Expenses

- Expenses paid
 - \$10 each month, bank account keeping fee (we are going to change banks soon as we can get an account with no account keeping fee).
 - \$157.98 for brochures
 - \$209.90 for Zoom premium account
 - \$1,300.00 for deposit for hotel (venue for conference)
 - \$175.18 for directory website
- Expenses to be paid:
 - Domain name renewal (2 years) \$65.88
 - Annual summary of financial affairs (Form A12 – NSW Fair Trading) \$54

END OF REPORT.