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MINUTES OF THE MAPLE STREET CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED 31ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 25 NOVEMBER 2010 AT THE UPFRONT CLUB, 31 MAPLE STREET, MALENY, QLD

Call to Order

- Tony Woodhouse welcomed members and friends and acknowledged that the quorum requirement of 30 active members had been achieved with 36 active members registering to vote.
- Tony announced Paul Veit would be facilitating the meeting.

1. Welcome and Apologies

- Paul declared the meeting open at 6:30pm and welcomed everyone.
- Apologies were received from – Paula and Errol Richardson, Peter Cutting, Sue Mihovilovich.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of 2009 AGM

- As there were no questions arising from the minutes the following motion was put:
Motion: That the minutes of the 30th Annual General Meeting of the Maple Street Co-operative Society Limited held 26 November 2009 be accepted, as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Steve Swayne Seconded: Peter Pamment Carried

3. Presentation of the Directors' Report

- Kamala Alister presented the report on behalf of the Directors.
- Kamala added that the court case with Queensland Health over Cleopatra's Bath Milk had been resolved since year end. The Co-op was found guilty of conduct likely to mislead the public and was fined \$2,500 with 4 months to pay and no conviction recorded. The Directors and the Manager acknowledge this as a good outcome given the circumstances and thanked all those involved for the mammoth time consuming effort.

4. Presentation of the General Manager's Report

- Karen Syrmis spoke to her report acknowledging some milestones.
- Thanks to Tony Woodhouse and Rob Brieschke for all the repairs and maintenance to keep the building in shape. It is exciting to see the improvements.
- Thanks to Daryl Ebenezer and the Barung team for establishing and maintaining the garden behind the Co-op.
- Since year end, Sammy Ringer has been appointed Editor of the Co-op News and a new edition will be out soon.

5. Consideration and Acceptance of the Financial Statements and Auditor's report for the financial year 2009/2010

- Questions from the members were invited.

- Member, Peter Pamment asked for an explanation of why the annual subscriptions income has fallen. Paul explained it was due to the split of income with the Maleny Co-operative Club Limited.
- As there were no further questions, the following motions was put:
Motion: That the Auditor's report and financial statements for the financial year 2009/2010 be accepted as presented.
Moved: Rob Parker Seconded: Franklin Bruinstroop Carried

6. Appointment of Auditors

- ***Motion: That Bentley Shrapnel & Stephens of 7 Arundell Avenue, Nambour be appointed as auditors for Maple Street Co-operative Society Limited.***
Moved: Colin Cunningham Seconded: Anni Philp Carried

7. Election of Directors

- There are a maximum of 9 directors. There are two vacancies to be filled plus under the Maple Street Co-operative rules of rotation current directors Kamala Alister, Marc Kalifa, Fern Veit and Tony Woodhouse are required to stand for re-election and as Hermann Schwabe was appointed to a casual vacancy he will be standing for re-election.
- Marc Kalifa, after some 15 years of dedicated service to the Co-op is not standing for re-election.
- There are six nominations for seven positions. The nominees are: Kamala Alister, Franklin Bruinstroop, Garry Claridge, Hermann Schwabe, Fern Veit, Tony Woodhouse.
- All nominees are elected unopposed.
- Congratulations and welcome Franklin, Garry and Hermann.
- Congratulations and thank you Kamala, Fern and Tony for restanding.

8. Director's Remuneration

- ***Motion: That directors' receive \$40-00 per meeting attended, credited to their Maple Street Co-op shop account and a 5% discount additional to their 5% members discount, making a total of 10% on goods purchased.***
Moved: Michael Berry Seconded: Ridley Kennedy Carried

9. Special Business – Notice of which has been given to members

- There was no special business

10. Special Business – Notice of which has been given by members

- There was no special business

11. Appreciations

- Paul, on behalf of the Board of Directors, thanked Claire Booth and Kate Crawford who resigned as directors during the year for their solid contribution to the board of the Co-op.
- A heartfelt thanks to Marc Kalifa who has given so much of his time for so many years. Thank you Marc and enjoy your retirement!

- To Karen, our General Manager, who has put so much hard work and effort into the running of the Co-op. Well done, thank you and keep up the good work.
 - To Dick Newman who since year-end has resigned as financial controller and who with others, was responsible for introducing and implementing the point of sale system, the members tag system and many financial controls which are ensuring better accountability.
 - To Jill Cutting our Board secretary who works extremely hard in keeping on top of the myriad of secretarial duties.
 - To the wonderful staff of the Co-op, and especially to Coby and Sue for their dedication.
 - And to our members who make the Co-op the vibrant shop it is.
 - Paul then called on Karen Syrmis to offer some additional appreciations.
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- Karen thanked the members and customers for all their support and continued feedback.
 - The Directors who work very hard for their \$40 a meeting. Thank you for the support you give me. We work closely together and I appreciate your encouragement.
 - And Marc and Juliette Kalifa for their personal support plus their long time support of the Co-op. Karen presented Marc with a gift on behalf of the members.
 - Marc replied thanking Karen, the directors and the members. He encouraged members to get involved as volunteers if not as directors.
 - Karen thanked Tony Woodhouse and Rob Brieschke for saving the Co-op lots of money by doing the repairs and maintenance.
 - Thanks to our fantastic staff. You are great to work with.
 - A big thank you to our dedicated band of volunteers who are a vital part of our business.
 - Thanks to our landlord Ian McDonald who is always willing to help out.
 - A huge thank you to John Thompson for his time and effort which was given pro bono to be our representative through the court case with Queensland Health. Karen presented John with a gift voucher.
 - Last but not least, our volunteer of the year. This year the staff have awarded this honour to Anni Philp who was presented with a gift. Congratulations Anni.

12. Meeting Closed

- Paul declared the meeting closed at 7:04pm
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