



2022 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES

Minutes of the Special General Meeting of members of the Cairns RSL Sub Branch Inc which will be held at the Catalina Room RSL Building 115 Esplanade Cairns.

Sunday, 23 October 2022 @ 2pm

1. Opening of Meeting: 1406hrs

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*They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them
Lest We Forget*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

I,do hereby swear allegiance to the Commonwealth of Australia and its people and do hereby subscribe to the Constitution of Australia and the Constitution of the Returned and Services League of Australia.

4. Present As per the Registration Book - confirmed that all in attendance are current and paid members

5. Apologies As per the Registration Book

6. Appointment of a Returning Officer for the Special General Meeting.

Motion:

"To appoint Mrs. Karrie Blanch the Secretary of the Cairns Defence Community Support Group to be Returning Officer".

Moved: John Paterson

Seconder: Peter Sibree

Carried

Motion:

To appoint Ms. Leeanne Greenwood and Mr. Kel Ryan to act as scrutineers.

Carried

7. a. Elect one (1) President for a three-year term.

Mr Duncan Walker withdrew his nomination for President.

Nominations:

- I. Kevin Byrne
- II. Nathan James Shingles
- III. Michael David Telley
- IV. Duncan John Walker

A ballot was held with Mrs. Karrie Blanch as Returning Officer.

Mr. Nathan Shingles was duly Elected as President for a term of 3 years.

Phil Warwick stood and asked that the Chairperson outline the circumstances that have led to the election of a new President and the calling of the Special General Meeting.

The Chairperson explained he could not talk about the circumstances of the outgoing President. RSL FND advised we were not legal, due to not having a President or Delegate so the Board appointed Mr. Ben Hemphill as Interim President and Mr. Nathan Shingles as interim Secretary until the Special General Meeting could be held.

b. To Elect one (1) Board Director for a three-year term

Kevin Byrne withdraws his nomination for Board Director.

Nominations:

- I. Gillian Louise Bryant
- II. Kevin Byrne
- III. Graeme Colin Kelly
- IV. Duncan John Walker

A ballot was held with Mrs. Karrie Blanch as Returning Officer.

Mrs. Gillian Bryant was duly elected as Board Director for a term of 3 years.

John Patterson asked with Nathan Shingles now becoming President will there be another vacancy on the board.

The Chairperson advised that this would be discussed and resolved at the next board meeting.

c. To elect one (1) RSL FND District Delegate

- I. No Nominees received.

Motion:

"That the Cairns RSL Sub Branch President will be FND Delegate until the next General Board meeting, for the purpose of voting on behalf of the membership at the State Director Election".

Moved: Gillian Bryant

Seconded: Glen Cochrane

Carried

8. For the membership to direct the Delegate to vote to decide on supporting a Director for the State Director Elections.

Candidate 1 – Dan Murray
Candidate 2 – Ash Naughton

A ballot was held with Mrs. Karrie Blanch as the Returning Officer. Mr Ash Naughton won the Ballot and the FND delegate will place the vote.

Motion:

That the Ballot Papers be destroyed.

Carried

The Chairperson welcomed the New President, Mr Nathan Shingles to close the meeting.

9. Meeting Closed 1507hrs