Special General Meeting

Sunday 15th May 2022 2:00 pm

Weetangera Primary School and Zoom

Draft Minutes

The meeting opened at 2:05 pm.

Present:

In person:

Members: John Brannan (Convenor), Mike Hall, Anne Aisbett, Alana Wilkes, Denise Hall, Gerard Newman, Keith Thomas, Gilbert Hughes, Wendy Whitham, Bob Hodgson, Barbara Allan

Via Zoom:

Members: Warren Bond, Len Taylor, John Fitz Gerald, **Non-members:** Lauren McQueen, Volunteer Programs Manager, ACT Parks and

Conservation Service (observer)

Apologies:

Mark Hallam, Jan Thomas.

Welcome by the convenor

John welcomed the attendees and gave a welcome to country.

Business

Motion 1: (to make explicit that fotpin is a not-for-profit organisation)

"That fotpin's Management Rules be amended as follows:

- a. by the addition of the words 'and Legal Structure' at the end of the heading of Rule 4.
- b. by appending the following paragraph at the end of Rule 4: 'The assets and income of the organisation shall be applied solely to further its objects and no portion shall be distributed directly or indirectly to the members of the organisation except as genuine compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred on behalf of the organisation.'
 and
- c. by deleting paragraphs (1) and (2) of Rule 31 and replacing them with the paragraph: 'In the event of the organisation being dissolved, all assets that remain after such dissolution and the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall be transferred to another organisation with similar purposes, which is charitable at law and which has rules prohibiting the distribution of its assets and income to its members.' "

Warren outlined that this change was necessary to register fotpin as a charity in order to retain the current domain name for the website. There was some discussion of this. Gerard questioned how difficult the registration process would be. Warren replied that once the paper work was complete it should take a few weeks.

Moved: John Brannan, Seconded: Warren Bond. **Carried unanimously** by the 14 members present.

Motion 2: (to make our defined Financial Year consistent with current practice) "That the word 'July' be replaced with 'May' in Rule 24 of fotpin's Management Rules."

Moved: John Brannan, Seconded: Anne Aisbett. **Carried unanimously** by the 14 members present.

Meeting closed: at 2:15 pm.

Anne Aisbett Fotpin Secretary 19 May 2022