ASSOCIATED BIRDKEEPERS OF AUSTRALIA INC. GENERAL MEETING 334 Held at Mittagong RSL Old Hume Highway MITTAGONG NSW 21st February 2023

MEETING OPENED at 8.10 ATTENDENCE.C. Jeffery, C.Tsintarakis, R. Downton, S. Young ,M. Cannon, R. Young APOLOGIES. J. Hughes, E. Wilson, D. Gowland J. Habib

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were emailed out and available at the meeting. Moved that Minutes be accepted as correct Moved. R. Young Seconded. M. Cannon Carried

BUSINESS ARISING. Nil

CORRESPONDENCE IN

Member Clubs newsletters and magazine Membership Renewal Talking Birds magazine Parramatta council correspondence RE- Manual Cabellis compliance order

CORRESPONDENCE OUT.

Minutes of previous meeting emailed out. Membership and insurance renewal RMB Lawyers re-Caballis/Parramatta Council

TREASURERS REPORT Opening balance INCOME bank interest Memberships/insurance	21/02/2023 \$0.28 <u>\$990.00</u>	,148.47
EXPENDITURE		
ABK add	110.00	
Bank fees	8.80	
Christmas supper	238.00	
Honourium membership secretary	<u>2,500.00</u>	
TOTAL	2,856.80	
Closing Balance	\$15	,281.95
ACCOUNTS for payment		
ABK adv	110.00	1
LIFE member fund	\$\$43	,604.94
Fighting Fund	\$83	,792.63
Moved that Treasurer's report be accepted R.Yo	ung Seconded S Young	. Carried

STEERING COMMITTEE

D. Gowland reported after the Federal election there has been a complete shuffle of the environment department, no new movement on the psittacines IRA.

GENERAL BUSINESS

C.Tsintarakis reported on the situation at hand with M. Caballis / Parramatta Council, The ABA met with Council rangers on site 3/3/23 meeting went well. C. Jeffery explained to rangers that 180 birds had already been removed from the property, mainly Indian ringneck parrots, and some of the non-compliant aviaries had been removed. The Rangers left the property. On 6/3/23 the ABA received Council's response to our meeting and there are more demands in regard to removing all suspended aviaries from Mr Caballise's property. At this point the ABA has engaged our Solicitor to deal directly with council.

Rod Young reported on the financial state to the ABA. Rod indicated the CGU insurance premium has increased by about 8% each year for the past four years. The ABA has subsidised this area for members during the covid 19 hardship period.

Moved that Insurance Premium for the coming financial year will increase to public liability \$75 plus membership \$25. Clubs without insurance will remain at \$50.

Individual members remains at \$25 Moved R. Young Second M. Cannon Carried

ABA Communicator is being printed and will BE sent out to members in coming weeks. ABA will be in the trade hall at Orange Bird Sale and extra copies of Communicator will be available there.

The ABA will be running a Bird sale and Expo in 2024. This is a fund raising event to support our Bird Club fund and Fighting Fund

Hunter Valley Avicultural Society is running Wings convention 18th to 20th AUGUST 2023

Meeting dates for 2023 18th April, 20th June, 15th August (AGM)

MEETING CLOSED at 9.40pm NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 18th APRIL

Due to COVID laws relaxing the ABA has resumed face to face meetings. MITTAGONG RSL meeting rooms 8pm start