



Brisbane Girls
Debating Association
Annual General
Meeting Minutes

Date: 30th July 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Brisbane Girls Grammar School

All AGM materials can be accessed [here](#)

Standard Matters

Attendance

1. In attendance were: Tony Cupitt, Molly McCann, Mikayla O'Flynn, Fia Qureshi, Isabel Shorrocks-Browne, Liza Shoebridge, Sophie Coleman, Zoe Fraser, Rachel Hegerty, Emmett Hanley, Katie Meehan, Bowen Chen, Laura Gough, Zara Barry (arrived 6:40), Luke Ames (arrived 6:44)

Announcement Of Quorum

2. The Chairperson announced quorum is present at 6:10pm

New Members

3. The 2024 executive approve, by majority, the following applications for membership to the Brisbane Girls' Debating Association from
 - a. *Laura Gough*
 - b. *Liza Shoebridge*
 - c. *Sophie Coleman*
 - d. *Tony Cupitt*
 - e. *Rachel Hegerty*

Confirmation Of 2023 AGM Minutes

4. Motion to confirm the 2023 Annual General Meeting minutes was proposed by Mikayla seconded by Molly McCann and approved by Emmett, Katie, Zoe, Fia, Isabel, and Bowen

Tony, Liza, Sophie, Rachel, Laura abstained.

The minutes were confirmed.

Reports

5. The Executive from 2023-2024 each tabled a written report which provided a brief oral report and the opportunity for the general members to ask questions of them and their reports. Each of the reports were presented by the following people:
 - a. The President, Mikayla O'Flynn;
 - b. The Secretary, Emmett Hanley;

- c. The Treasurer, Molly McCann;
- d. The Schools' Officer, Fia Qureshi;;
- e. The Competition Officer, Isabel Shorrocks-Browne;
- f. The Adjudicators' Officer, Bowen Chen
- g. The Training Officer, Zoe Fraser
- h. The Sponsorship Officer, Katie Meehan

The Teachers' Liaison Officer, Anne Byrne's report to be tabled at a later date

- 6. Zoe Fraser moves to accept the report of the President, Mikayla O'Flynn. Seconded by Molly, and passed unanimously.
- 7. Mikayla O'Flynn moves to accept the report of the Secretary, Emmett Hanley. Seconded by Molly McCann and passed unanimously.
- 8. Emmett Hanley moves to accept the report of the Treasurer, Molly McCann. Seconded by Mikayla O'Flynn and passed unanimously.
 - a. *Emmett Hanley - Question regarding Asset Registry. Molly McCann's answer was previous executives have considered items with no resale value as assets, with a value from purchase price. This asset register has now been collapsed.*
- 9. Molly McCann moves to accept the report of the Schools' Officer, Fia Qureshi. Seconded by Bowen Chen and passed unanimously.
- 10. Mikayla O'Flynn moves to accept the report of the Competition Officer, Isabel Shorrocks-Browne, Seconded by Katie Meehan and passed unanimously.
- 11. Mikayla O'Flynn moves to accept the report of the Adjudicators' Officer, Bowen Chen. Seconded by Molly McCann and passed unanimously.
- 12. Isabel Shorrocks-Browne moves to accept the report of the Training Officer, Zoe Fraser. Seconded by Fia Qureshi and passed unanimously.
- 13. Luke Ames moves to accept the report of the Sponsorship Officer, Katie Meehan. Seconded by Molly McCann and passed unanimously.

Confirmation Of Validity Of 2023-24 Financial Records

- 14. NOTED that the President and Treasurer verified that: "The association keeps financial records in a way which properly records the association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities."

Confirmation Of 2023-2024 Child Protection Policy and Public Liability Insurance

- 15. NOTED that the President verified that: "The association keeps records of child protection policy and public liability insurance in a way which properly records the

association's values and policies as well as transactions with the public liability office."

Opening Of Positions And Election Of 2023– 2024 Executive

Elect Chair/Returning Officer

16. Emmett Hanley moved to elect Mikayla O'Flynn as Chair and Returning Officer
Seconded by Molly McCann . Approved unanimously.

Vacancies

17. The Returning Officer, Mikayla O'Flynn declared all positions vacant.

Roles to Open

18. RESOLVED to open nominations for the below positions. Motioned by Mikayla O'Flynn.
Seconded by Emmett Hanley. Passed unanimously.
- a. President;
 - b. Secretary;
 - c. Treasurer;
 - d. Schools Vice President;
 - e. Competitions Vice President;
 - f. Sponsorship Vice President;
 - g. Schools' Liaison Vice President;
 - h. Adjudicators' Vice President; and
 - i. Training Vice President.

Election of President

19. Fia Qureshi nominated Isabel Shorrock-Browne as President. Seconded by Liza Shoebridge. Elected uncontested.

Election of Treasurer

20. Molly McCann nominated Rachel Hegerty as Treasurer. Seconded by Luke Ames.
Elected uncontested.

Election of Secretary

21. Molly McCann nominated EmmettHanley as Secretary. Seconded by Luke Ames .
Elected uncontested.

Election of Schools Vice President

22. Isabel Shorrock-Browne nominated Sophie Coleman as Schools Officer. Seconded by Liza Shoebridge . Elected uncontested.

Sponsorship Vice President

23. Isabel Shorrock-Browne nominated Zara Barry as Sponsorship Officer. Seconded by Molly McCann. Elected uncontested.

Election of Adjudicators' Vice President

24. Molly McCann nominated Bowen as Adjudicators' Officer. Seconded by Luke Ames.
Elected uncontested.

Election of Competitions' Vice President

25. Emmett Hanley nominated Luke Ames as Competitions' Officer. Seconded by Molly McCann . Elected uncontested.

Election of Teachers' Liaison Vice President

26. No nominations received. Election to be postponed to the next Special General Meeting.

Training Vice President

27. Sophie Coleman nominated Liza Shoebridge as Training Officer. Seconded by Molly McCann . Elected uncontested.

Social Media Officer

28. Isabel Shorrock-Browne nominated Laura Gough as Training Officer. Seconded by Molly McCann . Elected uncontested.

Tabulations Officer

29. No nominations received.

Other Business And Adjournment

30. Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm .