

**THE BOWER REUSE AND REPAIR CENTRE COOPERATIVE LIMITED**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

<b>Date:</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> August, 2016	<b>Time:</b>	7.00 pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Gavin Hull	<b>Minutes:</b>	Peter Carroll

**Present: Board Directors** - Gavin Hull (GH), Amanda Buckland (AB), Terry O'Donnell (TOD), Liam Noble (LN), Oliver Bradshaw (OB) by phone, Peter Carroll (PC), Ulrike Zimmermann (UZ), & Guido Verbist (GV Co-op Manager).

**Apologies:** Liam Noble (LN) early & Oliver Bradshaw (OB) by phone for whole meeting.

**1. Welcome – Venue; Acknowledgement; declarations**

- 1) VENUE – 107 Redfern St, Redfern
- 2) Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgement of Country and People:

“We acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Darug nation who are the traditional custodians of this land and pay respect to Elders past, present and future and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people present.”

- 3) Declarations of interest: Peter Carroll noted his interest in the agenda item dealing with the Secretary’s position and possible stipend for that position and undertook to abstain from any decision taken on that matter. (see register)

**2 Minutes of Previous Meeting and Special Meeting**

***Res 052/16***

That the minutes of the meeting 13/7/16 as amended, be approved as a true and accurate record.

M: Terry O'Donnell

S: Peter Carroll

CARRIED

***Res 053/16***

That the minutes of the special meeting 27/7/16 as amended be accepted as a true and accurate record.

	M: Terry O'Donnell	S: Oliver Bradshaw	CARRIED
<b>3</b>	<b>CM Review</b>		
	Circulated prior to the meeting and discussed at length with updates		
	<i>Finances</i>		
	Our surplus is still running well ahead of budget.		
	<b>Res 053/16</b>		
	That the Board ratifies receipts and expenses to date.		
	M: Peter Carroll	S: Terry O'Donnell	CARRIED
	<i>Banking</i>		
	The final report of comparative benefits and costs for the 3 banking options were presented in writing by the CM.		
	<b>Res 054/16</b>		
	That the Board endorses the recommendation to move the Co-operative's banking from NAB to Bank Australia.		
	M: Ulrike Zimmermann	S: Peter Carroll	CARRIED
	<i>Grants</i>		
	The Public Gift Fund Committee met prior to the Board Meeting and presented its decisions.		
	<b>Res 055/16</b>		
	That the Bower Gift Fund decisions:		
	1) Allocation of existing fund reserves of \$21087 to fund additional hours of work at The Bower, and		
	2) The Crowdfunding campaign revenue of \$12673 be expended in line with public commitments on the House to Home Project and the surplus (\$2673) be used for bulky goods storage and associated costs of that		

project.

M: Peter Carroll

S: Terry O'Donnell

CARRIED

*ARCCO/Lease*

Considerable discussion was conducted regarding the lease and related matters.

**Res 056/16**

LEGAL MATTER - Redacted

*IT*

A significant upgrade of the IT system is now required to integrate the new store at Parramatta. The CM requested time to compile a report.

*Noted:* The CM to report on the options for IT upgrade at the October Board Meeting.

*Parramatta*

The opening of the Parramatta store is expected on October 1<sup>st</sup> and the local mayor is invited to launch the shop perhaps at 11am (to be confirmed). The completion of the initial funding is complete with WSROC committing to the \$10K grant for which The Bower must conduct a survey of potential users. Annette is working on publicity and the directors requested early invitations for their diaries and for members.

*New Members*

A report on the new membership applications was tabled: 13 new members and 35 renewals have been received so far from existing members.

**Res 057/16**

That Janet Bryan of Dawes Point, Carly Thomas of Lane Cove, Elisabeth Barry of Marrickville, Rhonda Lee of Broadway, John Haussler of Marsfield, Terry Nagle of Neutral Bay, Karen Russ of Dulwich Hill, Paula Guard of Marrickville, Brian Boyle of Wareemba, Chris Daly of Kirribilli, Veronica Breen of Oatley, Fetalaiga Peseta of St Helens Park and Nicole Thomas of Leichhardt be accepted as (13) new members of The Bower.

M: Ulrike Zimmermann

S: Amanda Buckland

CARRIED



**Signed** ..... **Chairperson of the Meeting**    **Date** .....