

LBA - 2017 AGM minutes

Date

- Saturday 9th December 2pm

Call to order

- President acting as Chair called meeting to order at 2:15pm.

Roll call

- Present: Ven. Giorgio Repeti, Stephanie Pugliese, Nina Camilleri
- Apologies: Robert Blaine, Genevieve Hilton, Alexander Galvez, Maurice Joseph

Approval of minutes from last AGM

- Approved

Open issues

- Board Vacancies.
- Fundraising.
- Bank account balance.
- Member involvement.

Discussion:

- A. Financials- Treasurer informed that funds were not in arrears and a total of \$1411.35 is currently banked.
- B. Next fundraising event is planned for Tuesday January 28th 2018.
- C. Position appointments for 2018- Ven Giorgio will continue to hold position as President and temporary treasurer and Stephanie as Public Officer and temp secretary until suitable replacements are sourced.
- D. Ways the members could further support the board is by contributing feedback and suggestions on matters such as fundraising and by regularly attending planned activities.

Agenda

- Supporting the new LBA hermitage in Italy
- New look for LBA website.
- Moving Lokanatha.com to a hosting provider in Australia and changing the web address to .org
- Improvements in delivery of communications between 'Office bearing committee' and 'ordinary' members.
- Addendum of Lba constitution and application of..

- More support for the 'Office bearing committee' is appreciated.

Discussion:

- A. Hermitage in Italy explained to Nina (a new member). LBA involvement is to support the project only if funds are ample i.e. over fifty thousand dollars.
- B. An Australian web hosting company is currently being sourced by Eric Nordstrom to switch the lokanatha.com web hosting from Hostgator in the U.S. This will save the Association a substantial amount of funds each year.
- C. Improvements to the delivery of communication to all board members was implemented via the creation of web forums, a special website for members only and a once a week meetup at Wat Buddharangsee in Annandale.
- D. How to overcome the possible barrier of information exchange if members do not access the internet was discussed. Besides direct physical mail the board shall research other information exchange methods that other charities may use and how often.
- E. The Addendum to the constitution to be tabled as a vote was not called to action.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 3:20pm by Chair

Minutes submitted by: Public Officer.

Minutes approved by: President.