



**GIRLS'
BRIGADE**
Western Australia

**27th ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE & AGM
THE GIRLS' BRIGADE WA INC.**

SATURDAY 5th November 2022
State Office, 2/407 Great Eastern Hwy Redcliffe, 6104

AGM MINUTES

Meeting Started at 9:30am

D:8 Meeting procedure - refer to circulated Policies and procedures

1. Welcome & Opening of Meeting Prayer and Devotions "Strong: Growing in Godly Community" Glynis shared from the 'Strong' devotional book that the board have been working through. She highlighted how GB is a place where we can make friends for life. True friends lift us higher and point us towards Christ and something powerful happens when friends pray together and for one another. We all need a tribe of women behind us, encouraging us to follow the Lord in all we do.	Michelle Ward Glynis Turpin
2. Appointment of Chairperson Motion: <i>'That Marilyn Louwen, State Commissioner, chair the 2022 AGM.'</i> Moved Glynis Turpin, seconded Coral Anderson, all agreed.	State Commissioner
3. Safety Moment: Our Spiritual health is very important. We cannot do what we need to without fully relying on God. It is such a privilege to work with the girls and leaders in GB. Our hearts need to be right with the Lord in order to follow Him and serve in our companies.	Chairperson
4. Appointment of Minute Secretary Motion: <i>'That Michelle Ward be appointed Minute Secretary for the 2022 AGM.'</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Carolyn Ebell, all agreed.	Chairperson
5. Apologies and Proxies Heather Lange – Narrogin (proxy: Michelle Ward) Yvonne Waddell – Roleystone (proxy: Natalie Leitao) Nicole Thatcher – Greenwood, Chris Morgan– Bull Creek, Karen Howson – North Beach, Sue Boker– Noranda, Aimee Thyer– Mundaring, Lisa Mathews – Roleystone, Liz Selzer – North Beach, Lydia Lai – Canning Vale, Carolyn Horton – Roleystone, Khaleela Meotti – Noranda, Nikola Lewis – Bull Creek, Robyn Lawrence - Mundaring	Chairperson
6. Adoption of Agenda Motion: <i>'That we adopt the agenda as circulated.'</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Lesley Dunn, all agreed.	Chairperson
7. Declaration of Conflict of Interest November 2021: Geraldton visit: Marilyn Louwen and Michelle Ward	Chairperson

<p>National Conference fee payment: Marilyn Louwen and Michelle Ward June 2022: Leadership discussion: Jacqueline Nel and Michelle Ward October 2022: Front building signage: Chris Morgan</p>	
<p>8. Previous Minutes (having been circulated, will be taken as read) Motion: <i>‘That the minutes of the previous State AGM, held Saturday 30th October 2021, be accepted.’</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Serina Abraham, all agreed.</p>	Chairperson
<p>9. 2021/22 Annual Report (having been circulated, will be taken as read) Motion: <i>‘That the 2021/22 Annual Report be accepted.’</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Irene Daniels, all agreed.</p>	Marilyn Louwen
<p>10. Elections As per the P&P, the Returning Officer and State Chaplain will conduct and count the voting.</p> <p>As per the P&P, any Board positions not filled at the AGM will be discussed at the next Board meeting and consideration given to calling for further nominations or declaring a casual vacancy.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Voting for the Board Member – Development will be held prior to the meeting and voting will close at 9.30am. b. Announcement of result – State Chaplain <p>10.1 Nominations for Board Member Serina Abraham Serina Abraham was re-elected with a unanimous vote.</p>	Chairperson
<p>11 State Commissioner’s Report 11.1 Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A huge thank you to all leaders • Captain’s Day and Kickstart were a great way to start the year • Junior Day saw 140 kids have fun in God’s creation • Pioneer Pin and Queen’s Award interviews are always a blessed time of hearing from the girls • State Awards was a lovely celebration time <p>Regional Highlights sent in by coordinators Northern: Had a goal to build connections in Pioneer age girls, mini golf is planned for next year. Eastern: Have been enjoying fellowship and idea sharing times at their meetings. Tash has enjoyed visiting the companies. Southern and Western: Lydia has enjoyed catching up with each Captain and hearing their heart for the girls. It was great to see the growth in the Pioneer Pin girls and see how the companies are showing love to the families as well as the girls.</p> <p>Brand Audit: The Board had undergone a “brand audit” during their planning weekend. The ladies present at the meeting had a time to participate in some sharing and reflecting time on who we are as GBWA.</p>	Marilyn Louwen

<p>The results of both the board and members collaborative time will be collated and shared in early 2023.</p> <p>11.2 2023 Theme and State Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Such a time as this” • Note that Senior Camp and Junior day will be in run alternative years 	
<p>12 Acknowledgment of Board Member and Staff Service <i>A thank you gift was presented to Sarah Mihic for her service as RMO on the GB WA Board and for Tash Bunn who has resigned from her position as State Training Coordinator.</i></p>	Marilyn Louwen
<p>13 Presentation of Leaders Service Awards</p> <p>Michaela Brower: 5 years</p> <p>Aimee Thyer: 5years</p> <p>Robyn Lawrence: 10 years</p> <p>Sharon Masters: 10 years</p> <p>Michelle Ward: 20 years</p> <p>Marilyn Louwen: 25 years</p>	Glynis Turpin
<p>14 State Finance Report</p> <p>14.1 Audited Financial Report Motion: <i>‘That the signed, audited 2021/2022 annual financial statements be approved.’</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Carolyn Ebell, all agreed.</p> <p>14.2 Presentation of the 2022/2023 Budget.</p> <p>14.3 Appointment of Auditor Motion: <i>‘That Australian Audit be appointed auditors for 2022/2023.’</i> Moved Marilyn Louwen, seconded Lydia Kuilenburg, all agreed.</p>	Marilyn Louwen on behalf of Chris Morgan
<p>15 Other Business</p> <p>15.1 Acceptance of the 2022 Policies and Procedures Document All changes to Policies approved by the Board have been circulated. Motion: <i>‘That the Board continue to develop policy A3 Child Safe Organisation following the completion of the organisational review, with the final Policy presented to the 2023 AGM.’</i> Moved Coral Anderson, seconded Irene Daniels, all agreed.</p> <p>Motion: <i>‘That the changes to Policy A6 Communications be accepted as circulated.’</i> Moved Coral Anderson, seconded Carolyn Ebell, all agreed.</p> <p>Motion: <i>‘That the Policy A7 Partnership with Friends of Brigade be accepted as circulated.’</i> Moved Coral Anderson, seconded Corina Brown, all agreed.</p>	Coral Anderson

<p>Motion: <i>'That the Board continue to develop policy A8 Leadership WA and review after the running of Leadership in 2023 with a final Policy presented to the 2023 AGM.'</i></p> <p>Moved Coral Anderson, seconded Marilyn Louwen, all agreed.</p> <p>Motion: <i>'That Policies A1, A2, A4, A5 be accepted as circulated.'</i></p> <p>Moved Coral Anderson, seconded Lydia Kuilenburg, all agreed.</p>	
<p>16 Close of AGM: 11:10am</p>	<p>Chairperson</p>