



minutes 2015 annual general meeting

**Minutes of the 125th Annual General Meeting
of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce
Wednesday 13 April 2016 at Waurin Ponds Estate - Deakin**

125th Annual General Meeting commenced at 6:00pm

1. Welcome and apologies

President, Kylie Warne, welcomed members to the 125th Annual General Meeting of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce with representatives of 270 Chamber members present.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the 124th Annual General Meeting held on 23 April 2015

It was moved that the minutes of the 124th Annual General Meeting held on 23 April 2015 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: M. Edmonds

Seconded: N. Lyons

CARRIED

3. Receipt of the 2015 Annual Report of the Chamber which includes the reports of the President, Chief Executive Officer and the Chamber programs

President Kylie Warne presented the 2015 Annual Report of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce noting the report had highlights key partnerships, membership advocacy activities, encouraging success through the Powercor Geelong Business Excellence Awards and Small Business Smart Business program, and fostering collaboration.

It was moved that the 2015 Annual Report be received.

Moved: J. Baird

Seconded: D. Peart

CARRIED

4. Receipt and adoption of the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st Dec 2015

The financial report for the year ended 31 December 2015 was presented by Chamber Director, Peter Landers. Mr Landers noted that the Chamber Board was satisfied with the audited outcome, advising that the Geelong Chamber of Commerce was solvent and able to pay its creditors as they fall due.

It was moved that the 2015 Financial Statements be received.

Moved: Peter Landers

Seconded: Roxanne Bennett

CARRIED

5. **Appointment of Auditor for 2016**

Peter Landers advised that no resolution is required as the Chamber wishes to re-engage Davidsons as the Chamber's auditor for 2016. The firm offers its services again and they have been most satisfactory for 30 years.

6. **Other business**

President Kylie Warne proceeded to present certificates of recognition.

Life Memberships awarded

Norm Lyons, Peter Landers and Lewis Gates were presented with certificates of Life Membership to the Geelong Chamber of Commerce, recognizing their considerable service to the chamber.

Membership recognition certificates presented

Crowe Horwath - 35 years

Belgrove Hiring Service - 35 years

ATW Pty Ltd - 35 years

Mercure Hotel Geelong -30 years

Avalon Airport – 25 years

Mexted Rimmer Associates Pty Ltd – 25 years

Brax Window Treatments – 20 years

Incitec Pivot Ltd – 20 years

Appreciation Award presented

Davidsons Accountants –were presented with a certificate of appreciation recognizing 30 years as auditor of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce

There being no further business, the President thanked members for their attendance and declared the 125th Annual General Meeting of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce closed.

Meeting closed at 6:44pm