

## Armidale Youth Futures

### Annual General Meeting for 2022

Wednesday 26th October, 2022 at St Peter's Parish Hall at 7.30pm

#### Minutes

##### **1. Welcome and Introduction:**

The meeting began with welcome from the president, Graham Truscott, who chaired the meeting. He extended a special welcome to Tom Magill (Field Development Officer, Generate Services/Scripture Union (SU) and noted that the required quorum of 5 members had been met. Rev John Costin, representative of the Armidale Minister's Fellowship, opened the meeting with prayer and Kevin Tadman led a song.

**Attendance:** Management Committee: Graham Truscott (President), John Costin, David Freeman (Vice-President), Richard Lee, Peter Clark (Primary SRE coordinator), Matt Mulready (ASC SRE Teacher), Julie Cook.

Kevin Tadman, Ben Boland, Tom Magill (Generate/SU), Keith Dawson, Jean Dawson, Suzanne Robertson, Rob Dewhurst, Cory Dewhurst, Karl Holmes, Sharyn Holmes, Lynda Wysel, Jim Cook.

**Apologies:** Philip Ward (Secretary), Rob McClenaghan (Treasurer), Wes Davis, David Wysel, Graham and Barb East, Nikki Lomath, Kathy Ewers.

##### **2. Confirmation of Minutes of AGM, 10 November, 2021:**

Minutes of the 2021 AGM were unanimously approved by the members of the association.

Moved: John Costin; Seconded: Richard Lee.

##### **3. Business arising from minutes:**

- SRE at Minimbah Primary School

Peter Clark stated that he had contact with Minimbah School in April or June about the Quizzworx visit. He will try and speak with them again. He thinks they may go to PLC for a weekly scripture lesson. Peter to check with Dixie. Some Minimbah students attend Wyldlife on Monday afternoons. Graham stated that our intention is to have SRE at Minimbah.

Peter is hoping to get SRE up and running at Minimbah and at Chandler Public School. Graham has met with Rev Tim Stevens and Rev Andrew Campbell at Guyra regarding SRE commencing at Guyra Central School.

- Online registration for SRE to make it easier for parents to enrol their children

Tom Magill stated that there has been an ongoing discussion between the Inter-school Commission on Religious Education in Schools (ICCOREIS) and Department of Education & Training (DET). DET have been trialling online enrolment and it is hoped it will be released to all schools in time for the Parliamentary celebration of SRE in November. It will likely be on the form from 2023, but will not be mandatory. Graham commented that they do accept online registrations at Armidale Secondary College (ASC) and hopefully this will become part of the enrolment process. Primary schools may also go online. ASC principal Bree Harvey-Bice suggested AYF write a letter to be included with the Participation form and that has been done. Once online, the meeting considered how AYF could maintain that letter, and it was suggested that AYF ask the school to put a link across to the AYF website. This would put a spotlight on our website. It was noted that Kathy Ewers is planning to help re-generate our website.

- Requirement for AYF to have a license to use songs in the AGM and annual Commissioning

St Peter's has graciously allowed AYF to use their song license and hall so AYF does not need its own license.

#### **4. Reports for 2021-22:**

##### **4.1 President's Report - Graham Truscott**

Graham spoke to his report.

#### **Armidale Youth Futures President's Report - 2021/22**

On behalf of the AYF Management Committee it is with very sincere thanks that I present this President's report for 2021/22 to our churches, supporters and donors. At last, we have been largely freed from the restrictions of COVID and we are once again able to teach the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ through Christian Special Religious Education (SRE).

##### **Generous church support**

All the churches in the Armidale Ministers Fellowship have continued their generous support financially and, even more importantly, prayerfully for our team and students. Our supporting churches include:

- Anglican Churches (St James Guyra, St Johns Uralla, St Marks, St Mary's, St Peters Cathedral)
- Armidale Adventist Church
- Armidale City Church
- Armidale Uniting Church
- Baptist Churches (Armidale District Baptist Church, Chapel Street Baptist)
- Bruderhof Community
- Christian Outreach Centre
- Emmaus Church
- Fresh Hope Church (Church of Christ)
- Refresh
- St Pauls Presbyterian Church
- Salvation Army
- Saints Mary & Joseph Catholic Cathedral.

All churches belonging to the Armidale Ministers' Fellowship have cross-authorized the SRE curricula:

- Primary: *Connect* (Years K-6)
- Secondary: *Think Faith* (Years 7-10) and *Jesus the Game Changer* and *NUA Film Series - A*

*Fresh Perspective On Faith* (Years 11-12). **Our AYF Mission has been expanded:**

*To promote the good news of Jesus through Christian SRE in all Armidale Primary Schools and Armidale Secondary College for the spiritual wellbeing of students.*

### **Primary School SRE**

Primary School SRE has previously been well managed and administered by voluntary coordinators Lynda Wysel and Peta Bale, with overall assistance from Janine Lewers. However, with Janine leaving Armidale in 2021 and the ever-increasing bureaucratic complexity and regulation of SRE, AYF was requested to take on the responsibility of Primary School SRE, with the blessing of the Armidale Minister's Fellowship. With the Lord's guidance we have employed Peter Clark in a new two-day per week Primary School SRE Church Coordinator role. Peter now coordinates all Primary School SRE liaison, classes, volunteer teachers, and teacher training. Also, he teaches some SRE classes and covers SRE teacher casual vacancies. With this new role we hope we will not miss any class opportunities to teach the Gospel to our children in the Primary schools.

We are teaching Christian SRE in Armidale City Public, Ben Venue, Drummond, Kelly's Plains, Martins Gully, Newling and Sandon Primary Schools.

AYF is now fully responsible for all Christian SRE from Kindy to Year 12. This provides new opportunities for tighter integration of Primary and Secondary SRE with better transition from Primary Year 6 into Secondary Year 7, maximising SRE student retention in that transition.

## **Secondary School SRE**

2022 saw a return to normality in Armidale Secondary College following the massive disruption of COVID. Matt Mulready returned to his own staff-room desk, clearly regarded as a highly valued “member of staff” within the school community. SRE timetabling has enabled Years 7 – 10 to run smoothly. Years 11 and 12 have enjoyed SRE seminars each Term in school time. Matt was also approved to run an Easter Egg guessing competition with each year class and invited to present the Christian view of Easter at full assembly. Unfortunately, widespread COVID prevented that assembly this year. Relieving Principal Bree Harvey-Bice was very receptive to Matt’s ideas and asked to sit-in on his SRE classes, reporting very favourably on Matt, his teaching and his “fit” in the school. Bree also suggested AYF provide a covering letter of invitation to parents enrolling their children into ASC, and that Matt run a special Christmas service in the newly constructed ASC auditorium at the end of the year. The letter has gone out with on the reverse side of all SRE Participation Forms. The Christmas service is in the planning stages. Thanks to the Lord we now hold a special place in ASC, a beacon of hope and purpose for both students and staff.

## **BOOST**

BOOST (Inter-School Christian Fellowship or ISCF) finally resumed its lunchtime slot, including all class levels meeting together in 2022. Our students continued their own leadership of BOOST, underscoring the great value of 8 young student leaders attending the Scripture Union Leadership Conference in July 2021. With Matt’s strong encouragement and linkage with Armidale City Church, St Mark’s and St Peter’s Youth Groups, 11 students have attended the week-long Leadership Conference held in Tamworth in July 2022, again with 50% sponsorship from AYF. The Conference has further developed their faith and trust in Jesus, and their skills for this ministry.

## **Blessings to our schools**

AYF is always looking for ways to be a blessing to all our schools and to open the Gospel to all students. In this light, the KICK-OFF event presented by Word of Life Ministries and arranged by Matt was once again a huge hit with the kids. May 2022 saw 80 Primary and 90 Secondary students delight in the huge blow-up obstacle courses and hear the Gospel proclaimed at the end of both the Primary and Secondary sessions. Many good things have come out of KICK-OFF and continue happening, including students boldly inviting friends, connections between school and church, connections with parents over a free BBQ, 10 high school students accepting Jesus as saviour and 10 recommitting their lives to Jesus, 28 Bibles & 80 Testaments given out by Gideons, and much more.

Also, in June 2022 Peter arranged the Christian puppet show, Quiz Worx, for all our Primary Schools, clearly presenting the story of Jesus to all the children. The children delighted in seeing such a joyfully presented show with a very clear Gospel message.

## **Commissioning Service**

Our annual Commissioning Service for Christian teaching in public schools was again hosted by St Peter’s in February 2022 for all our Primary and Secondary SRE teachers and volunteers. We also sought to bless our mission partners: Young Life with their school chaplains, Gideons International in Australia and Scripture Union/Generate Ministries. We are all working together to reach our young people with the saving grace of our Lord Jesus. Even with COVID restrictions we were delighted to see over 70 supporters share a BBQ dinner and pray for our

mission into the public schools, sharing the vision of spreading God's Word to our young people.

### **Pray for Schools and AYF Prayer Breakfasts**

Dedicated supporters from AYF, Young Life, Gideons and our Armidale churches gathered monthly to pray for all our Christian outreach into our schools, arranged by Sue Gooley, seeking the power of the Holy Spirit in transforming young lives.

AYF also brought together supporters each Semester to share pancakes and prayer for all our work in the schools, arranged by David Freeman.

### **AYF Fundraising**

210 lively supporters shared our annual AYF Dinner in April 2022, excitedly bidding on the many Silent Auction, On-Line and Live Auction items and artworks so generously donated by supporters and the Armidale business community. The dinner raised \$28,000 towards the \$130,000 annual budget and proclaimed the vital importance of Building on the Rock of Jesus in our schools and the lives of our children in an ever changing and challenging world.

Our Monster Spring Garage Sale, late though it was in November 2021, saw \$8,900 raised.

Richard Lee ran a Gideons International stand in both events and was delighted with the number of Bibles and texts handed out.

### **Our children – the future of our churches**

It just can't be emphasised enough how vital Christian SRE is in our schools. There are some 450 Primary children and about 200 Secondary students taking SRE – the equivalent of about 10 average Armidale churches! And most SRE students do not attend our regular churches. In a rapidly changing and challenging world these children desperately need to learn the love, mercy, grace and direction of our Lord Jesus Christ in their lives – the rock on which to build their future. It is these very children who will form the greater part of the church in the next generation. They will be the ones sitting in your pews! This is our mission field in our own town.

So, we pray that all our churches and supporters continue to support AYF with their prayers and donations. We will need to raise an additional \$33,000 each year to fund our Primary Coordinator, but we are very confident of your love and support for this vital mission.

If you are not already contributing to AYF we would implore you to go to the AYF website and begin making regular donations. Please support our mission to the children of Armidale with the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, providing real and loving Christian role-models and discipling them for a life of hope and purpose.

### **Thanks to so many**

There are so many people actively involved with AYF and our schools Gospel teaching that it is difficult to thank you all enough for your great prayers, efforts and fundraising support. To our Management Committee which has met each month to keep us on track. To our teachers, assistants and coordinators. To our churches and your wonderful congregations. To our many donors. To partners: Armidale Secondary College, the Primary Schools, Young Life, Gideons,

school chaplains, Scripture Union/Generate Ministries. To you all, thank you for helping us reach our children with the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,

*Graham Truscott*

**Chairman  
Armidale Youth Futures**

Graham spoke to his report, which was tabled at the meeting. He praised God for the permanent appointment of Bree Harvey-Bice as principal. Our kids are operating in a very difficult environment with the dangers of pornography, etc all around them and advised he had encouraged ASC through Sue Gooley and the P&C to hold the 'Collective Shout' seminar series to combat the negative impact of pornography with the students, noting these kids are our future.

**4.2 Primary SRE Church Coordinator and Teacher's Report – Peter Clark**  
(tabled at meeting)



## Primary School SRE Church Coordinator Report

### New Role

2022 started off with the new SRE Coordinator role. This has been a steep learning curve for me, finding out all the ins and outs of the position.

### Schools

SRE is currently being delivered in all Armidale public schools. While some contact has been made with Minimbah we have not been invited to provide classes there yet. This is something that I am hoping to revisit next year.

Over the 7 public schools, there is approximately 450 Enrolled students in primary SRE across all of the

SRE Class Numbers

School / Grade	K	1	1/2	3	4	3/4	5	6	5/6	Totals
Armidale City	6		25		21	19			23	94
Ben Venue	15	15	27	24	28		17	14		140
Drummond	10		12			14			10	46
Kelly's Plains			10			11				21
Martin's Gully	5		11			30			8	54
Newling	5		15			12			21	53
Sandon	6		10			12			12	40

schools. We also have just over 20 teachers and helpers in these classes.

### Curriculum

This year the students have been working through Cycle C of the Connect program. In Term 1 and 2, the students looked at how God is the king and calls for people to live under His leadership.

In Term 3, the curriculum focussed on showing that Jesus is the King, and the signs that point to who He is in John Gospel.

Term 4 looks at who Christians are and how to live as a child of God.

Kinder has also been exploring with God, finding out more about who God and Jesus are. A couple of the year 6 classes have been looking at the Big Questions curriculum, exploring the different aspects of Christianity.

### **Events**

Early in the year, we hosted the Word of Life Team, who provided a fun filled evening for students in years 3 - 4. The Jnr Kick Off event was attended by approximately 80 students, all of whom were from the different schools. All who attended were told the good news through the wordless book. This has been a well remembered event for all the classes I have taken.

Each school was also visited by a team from Quiz Worx, an organisation who provides school and church visits. All the students loved having the team come around to hear why Jesus makes all the difference in the world. I also received lots of good remarks from the teachers about the visit.

### **Training**

I was pleased to be able to attend SU Australia's conference this year as part of Generate. I was able to meet many colleagues and meet up with other coordinators from around Australia.

While at the conference I was also able attend some training to help me further in my role as a teacher. This training was useful to pass on to the teachers at our quarterly seminars.

### **Future Plans**



Next year, my plans are to continue building up good relationships with the schools and also to continue to build up our team. We have a few new volunteers who are willing to step up and join the team.

### **Thanks**

I want to say a big thanks to both Lynda and Peta, for all the support they have given me this year both establishing me in the role and the guidance as well.

Peter Clark

### **SRE Primary School Coordinator**

Peter spoke to his report. He has opened dialogue with Chandler and Minimbah about introducing SRE and is hoping to speak with Uralla, Rocky River and Kingstown next year. Junior Kick Off and Quizz Worx visits were very encouraging. During the Winter holidays he went to the Sunshine Coast for the SU conducted SRE Teachers Conference, which was excellent. Next year there are new Primary SRE volunteer teachers coming on board and they will need training etc. Also Peter will begin study as a primary school teacher and will resign from his chaplaincy role at Newling Primary School.

## **4.2 ASC SRE Teacher's Report - Matt Mulready (tabled at meeting)**

### Answers to Prayer

Looking back on the past 12 months there have been many things to thank God for. Here are just a few answers to prayer for which we can be thankful;

- For Year 7-8 SRE students discovering that the good news of Jesus is available to anyone
- For the younger BOOST student leaders who have taken their roles seriously while Year 12 students are away doing exams
- For the amazingly encouraging time at Scripture Union Leadership Conference (4-8 July) for the 11 ASC students, and their enthusiasm to grow in faith and continue serving at BOOST
- For two Year 8 girls showing a keen interest, asking questions in SRE following the KICK OFF event
- For the generosity of individuals and businesses donating time, skills and resources to the AYF fundraising dinner



- For the AYF committee who continue partnering behind the scenes in many different ways
- For the opportunity to offer Gideons Bibles to students at the ASC Harmony Day market, and for the BOOST students who ran the stall
- For students in Years 9-10 who have recognised Jesus' sacrifice for them
- For easing COVID restrictions allowing BOOST to meet together
- For opportunities to teach taster lessons with Year 6 SRE classes at Ben Venue, Armidale City, Newling and Drummond Public Schools
- For God's abundant provision through the AYF Monster Spring Sale and for the many helpers who made the event happen
- For the principal, Bree Harvey-Bice, successfully applying for an exemption for me to teach SRE during Level 3 COVID restrictions
- For the advocacy of Generate staff with the NSW Department of Education to enable the possibility of SRE exemptions

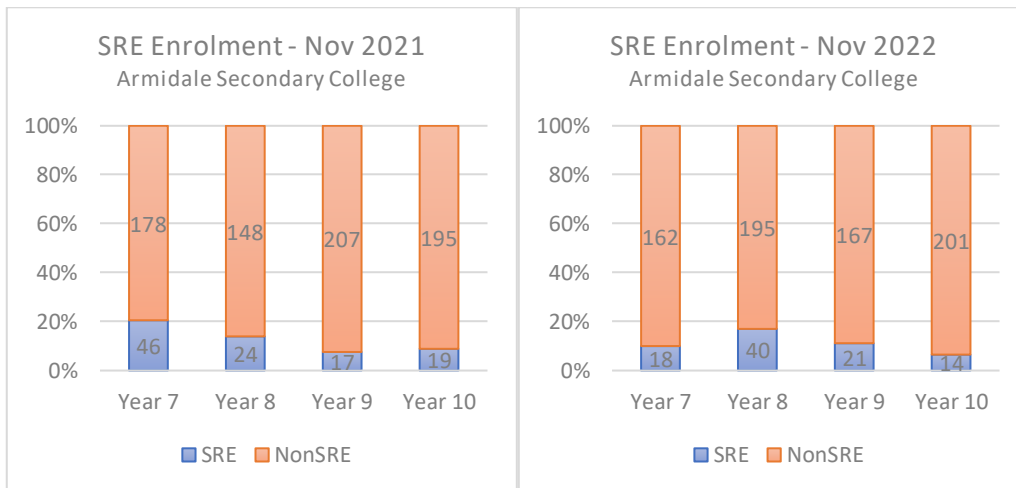
## SRE Organisation and Curricula

In God's kindness SRE continues to be embedded in the life of ASC. In Years 7-10 SRE classes are timetabled for 60 minutes each fortnight and in Years 11-12 students are offered one SRE seminar each term.

Once again, the *Think Faith* SRE curriculum, produced by CEP (Christian Education Publications), has provided a strong biblical framework for students to grow their understanding of God and the Christian worldview. Year 11-12 SRE students have also benefited from the *Jesus the Game Changer* curriculum, produced by Olive Tree Media, in addition to the *NUA Film Series*, produced by Scripture Union Ireland. The SRE curricula are authorised by the Armidale Anglican Diocese and cross-authorised by all SRE providers partnering with AYF. Further details, including curricula scope and sequence, is available on the AYF website <https://www.ayf.org.au/>.

### SRE Enrolment

Transitioning students from Year 6 into 7 SRE continues to be integral to maintaining SRE numbers at ASC. Unfortunately, there were some challenges in 2021 which resulted in a significant drop in Year 7 numbers. Firstly, 2021 COVID restrictions prevented me from visiting Primary SRE classes to connect with incoming students. Secondly, the enrolment process at ASC was disrupted with the SRE Participation Letter being omitted from enrolment packs. Student numbers across Years 8-10 have tracked normally.



In 2022 I have enjoyed being able to visit Primary SRE classes once again to make connections with students. It was a highlight inviting Primary students to the Jnr KICK OFF event and seeing over 80 smiling, energetic faces who heard a clear gospel message and built rapport with SRE teachers.

## BOOST

The easing of covid restrictions in Term 1 enabled BOOST to gather altogether for the first time in nearly a year. It has been a real joy seeing students across all year-groups growing faith together each week. The student leaders have also met weekly to plan, prepare and pray.

Our first event, BIG Arvo Tea at the Arboretum, was a special welcome for Year 7. It was exciting to have 4 new students along.



*BOOST student leaders at Scripture Union Leadership Conference, July 2022*

In Week 1 of the July school holidays 11 Armidale Secondary College students joined others from the Hunter, New England and beyond for an amazing week of leadership training and development in the Christian faith, with AYF providing funding for ASC students to attend at half price.

Back at school, many of these students have contributed to the spiritual wellbeing of their peers by taking on leadership roles at our weekly Scripture Union Christian group, BOOST. The students who attended Leadership Conference with me were:

- Year 12            Noah Craven, Peter Gooley, Flynn Knuckey, Amy Rees, Caleb Rees
- Year 11            Peace Ajuogu
- Year 10            Jubilee Ajuogu, Anna Gooley, Steve Rees
- Year 9             Eli Knuckey, Nathan Smith

### *Word of Life KICK OFF Events*

After cancelling the Word of Life KICK OFF events in 2021 due to COVID restrictions we had much to thank God for following the two KICK OFF events on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. For over 10 years AYF have partnered with Word of Life Ministries to bring the good news of Jesus and a whole lot of fun to Armidale's youth. Many good things have happened, and continue happening, including students boldly inviting friends, the gospel being proclaimed to 80 Primary students and 90 high schoolers, connections between school and church, connections with parents over a free BBQ, 10 high school students accepting Jesus as saviour and 10 recommitting their lives to Jesus, 28 Bibles & 80 Testaments given out by Gideons, and much more.



*Over 80 Primary students attended Jnr KICK OFF*

Thank you to the many volunteers who partnered in making both KICK OFF events a success. We had youth leaders from SMYG, BLAST and ACC Youth, we had Primary SRE teachers, we had families opening their homes to billet Word of Life team, we had people providing food and cooking BBQs, and volunteers setting up/packing up equipment. All glory to God.

### Developing Spiritual Wellbeing

There is a range of understanding and belief from students in Years 9-10 SRE and it has been encouraging seeing many students take steps towards God. This term we have been exploring what it looks like to be a follower of Jesus, through Jesus' teaching and example in the book of Luke. In our final lesson students completed the following statement,

'From what we've learnt this term I've been challenged to...'

- "be more active as a Christian, read my bible daily and know God"
- "Show what I believe by my actions"
- "Think about how I pray"
- "Pray more and trust Jesus more"
- "Be more like him and follow his way"
- "Try and pray more to God and read the bible more"



I continue to be encouraged by the many SRE supporters in the Armidale community who generously give time and money for SRE to continue at Armidale Secondary College, especially the energy given from the AYF Management Committee and its chairman, Graham Truscott. I am also thankful for those prayerful supporters who faithfully uphold the ministry to our all-powerful and loving God, especially Sue Gooley who coordinates the PRAY For Schools group each month. Thank you for your ongoing partnership with AYF as we work together to uphold the good news of Jesus through SRE for the spiritual wellbeing of students.

In Christ,

**Matt Mulready**

SRE Teacher, Armidale Youth Futures

Matt spoke to his report. He is enjoying working with Peter – especially regarding the connection between primary and secondary SRE. He mentioned the NUA film series from SU Ireland which he is using with Year 11 and 12 students.

### **4.3 Treasurer's Report - Rob McClenaghan**

See attached **FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

Rob was unable to attend but Graham Truscott spoke to the financial reports Rob had prepared, which were tabled at the meeting. Gifts and donations are down and the committee needs to encourage supporters to increase donations as this is 70% of income. Dinner income was down. AYF employed Peter Clark part-time for 2-days per week from January this year, and this coming year we will need to employ him for the full 12 months, requiring an additional \$30,000 to be raised. The Balance Sheet shows we are in a strong and resilient position with a Net Asset of \$168,594.

### **5. Questions to the Board**

*David Freeman* asked a question about other assets on the Balance Sheet – *Graham Truscott* responded that it is GST owing to us that hasn't been received. *Sharyn Holmes* asked why we are expecting GST. *Graham Truscott* replied that we pay GST and need to claim it back from the Australian Taxation Office.

*Ben Boland* asked whether we need to be in such a solid a position? Shouldn't we share our finances with other organisations who need it?

*Graham Truscott* responded that we must be careful that we expend our money according to our objects. That's why we want to be a blessing to our schools. Perhaps we can send more kids on camps with this money? Also we are working to assist SRE starting in surrounding schools. Graham invited anyone with good ideas to please pass them on.

*Matt Mulready* asked whether there is scope for providing SRE at Uralla Central School. *Graham Truscott* and *Peter Clark* responded that they already have SRE operating fortnightly in their primary school. *Matt Mulready* said that he had been referring to Secondary SRE and stated that this certainly fits with our vision statement and is one avenue to explore. A secondary SRE teacher could be employed at Uralla Central in consultation with the community. This is also a possibility at Guyra Central School.

*Richard Lee* asked whether Peter and Matt have enough hours to do their roles? *Matt* is full time. *Peter* replied - yes – at this stage as he does one day teaching and one day of administration per week.

*Graham Truscott* asked *Matt Mulready* to speak about the Christmas service in new ASC auditorium. *Matt* had put forward a plan to Principal Bree Harvey-Bice and she is happy to go ahead. The date is booked for Friday of Week 7 (Nov 25th). SRE students will go as well as all other students who return a permission note. *Richard Lee* asked whether we could hand out Gideon bibles there. Emmaus church suggested that we invite year 6 to attend the service. This is a possibility for future years.

*David Freeman* asked a question about income and expenditure, noting AYF expends \$87,966 to Generate Services for teacher/coordinator employment. How much will that be for a calendar year? We will potentially have a \$20k deficit for next year, unless we increase our fundraising/income.

*David Freeman* commented that the Kick Off event at ASC was very positive, especially for chatting with parents.

## **6. Election of Management Committee members**

The following nominations were received by the secretary 7 days prior to the AGM:

- President - Graham Truscott
- Vice-President – Dave Freeman

- Secretary – Philip Ward
- Treasurer - Rob McClenaghan
- Ordinary Members – Julie Cook, Kathy Ewers, Nikki Lomath
- It was mentioned that we are looking for a future President to begin in 12 months.

Graham Truscott vacated the chair and Rob Dewhurst assumed the chair, and conducted the elections for the above positions, noting that written nominations had been received prior to the AGM. Rob Dewhurst moved that all nominations be accepted and Lynda Wysel seconded the motion. Those noted above were duly elected as the AYF Management Committee for 2023. Graham Truscott resumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

## **7. General business**

### **Constitution update**

Graham Truscott reminded the meeting that AYF has accepted as its Constitution the Model Rules incorporated bodies established by NSW Fair Trading, and in doing so has agreed to accept all changes to those Model Rules. He advised that Fair Trading has updated its Model Rules and so the AYF Constitution has automatically been updated to reflect those new Model Rules. Issues to note are:

- i. The AYF Constitution requires that those who wish to be members of AYF must sign the Statement of Faith, and the new Constitution also includes this requirement.
- ii. New rule 34 – members cannot cast votes by proxy, so the proxy form no longer required.
- iii. New rule 35 – provides no opportunity for proxy voting.

The meeting noted the change of AYF Constitution according to its adoption of the NSW Fair trading Model Rules, plus the AYF requirement for inclusion of the membership requirement to sign the Statement of Faith.

*Kevin Tadman* asked about the use of the new Model Rules for Christian organisations. Graham advised he could not see anything in the NSW Fair Trading advice that suggests AYF could not continue to have its Statement of Faith included in its Constitution.

*Rob Dewhurst* commented that Matt and Peter are actually employed by Generate and not AYF.

*Tom Magill* noted that Generate's chaplains are technically employed as ministers of religion and they represent the churches of the area.

*Tom Magill* commented that it was encouraging for him to be here. He is the Area Manager for Generate North West NSW which is now part of SU Australia. There will be a new SU camp in December called Gent's camp for young men in years 7,8,9,10. This camp will help show them what being a Christian man looks like. North West is having their camp at Lake Keepit in the 2nd week of December. Tom advised that the SU Schools Ministry Convention had 800 attendees mainly from East Coast of Australia. At the conference, Length of Service awards were handed out. Matt Mulready was eligible for an award for his 13 years of service but couldn't be at the conference, so Tom presented him with his certificate at the meeting.

Graham thanked all who attended and after a song led by Kevin Tadman, Julie Cook closed in prayer. The meeting was followed by supper.





**ARMIDALE YOUTH FUTURES INCORPORATED**

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

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## Income and Expenditure Statement

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Gifts and donations	64,880	70,054
Fundraising - Dinner	37,606	42,278
Fundraising – Garage Sale	9,036	200
Interest income	1,390	1,648
Other income	300	500
	<b>113,212</b>	<b>114,680</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Generate Ministries	87,966	58,929
Fundraising – Dinner	10,308	9,475
Donations	2,686	2,080
Conferences	1,080	-
Printing and stationary	396	-
Seminar fees	91	579
Bank charges	166	234
Postage	126	136
Other expenses	794	554
	<b>103,613</b>	<b>71,987</b>
<b>Net Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>9,599</b>	<b>42,693</b>

The income and expenditure statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached notes.

## Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash at bank	35,562	81,171
Term deposits – short term	128,203	76,691
Paypal funds	321	1,133
Other Assets	4,508	-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>168,594</b>	<b>158,995</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Accumulated Surplus	168,594	158,995
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>168,594</b>	<b>158,995</b>

The balance sheet is to be read in conjunction with the attached notes.

## Cash Flow Statement

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Cash flows from Operations</b>		
Income	107,314	113,032
Expenditure	(103,613)	(71,987)
<b>Net Cash from Operations</b>	<b>3,701</b>	<b>41,045</b>
<b>Cash flows from Investing Activities</b>		
Interest income	1,390	1,648
<b>Net Cash from Investing Activities</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,648</b>
<b>Net Increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>5,091</b>	<b>42,693</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	158,995	116,302
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year</b>	<b>164,086</b>	<b>158,995</b>

The cash flow statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached notes.

## **Notes to and Forming Part of the Financial Statements**

### **1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies / Basis of Preparation**

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared for use by Armidale Youth Futures Incorporated. It has been prepared in order to assist the Management Committee and members to understand the financial performance of the organisation. The financial report is also prepared to meet the requirements of the *Charitable Fundraising Authority Conditions*.

Unless otherwise stated below, the financial report has been prepared on a cash basis, based on historic costs.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### **(a) Revenue Recognition**

Revenue in the form of gifts, donations, fundraising, bank interest and other income have been recognised upon receipt.

#### **(b) Expenditure**

All expenditure is accounted for on a cash basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

### **2. Use of Surpluses from Fundraising Appeals**

Surpluses generated from fundraising appeals were used towards the organisation's mission of establishing, maintaining and growing Christian education at Armidale Secondary College and Armidale Primary Schools.

### **3. Remuneration of Officers**

No member of the Management Committee nor Chairman received remuneration from the organisation. The running of the organisation relies on the generous effort of unremunerated volunteers.

## Chairman's Declaration For the year ended 30 June 2022

In the opinion of the Chairman:

- (a) the income and expenditure statement gives a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of the organisation with respect to fundraising appeals, and
- (b) the balance sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation with respect to fundraising appeals conducted by the organisation, and
- (c) the provisions of the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* ('the Act'), the regulations under the Act and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with by the organisation and
- (d) the internal controls exercised by the organisation are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the organisation from any of its fundraising appeals.



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Chairman – Graham Truscott

Dated: 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022