

# DARWIN REGIONAL COUNCIL

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, 15 February 2021, Lucky Bat Cafe  
6:00pm – 7:00pm

1. **Meeting Open:** 6.00pm
2. **Welcome:** Members welcomed by Chair, Shani Carson
3. **Present:**

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	POSITION ON SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE BODY	SCHOOL
Shani	Carson	Chair	Casuarina Senior and Dripstone Middle
Cherry	Chevaz-Hopwood	Chair	Leanyer Primary
Richelle	Kent	Treasurer	Sanderson Middle & Manunda Terrace
Monique	Renz	Treasurer	Nakara Primary School
Mandy	McKinnon	Principal	Wagaman Primary School
Hannah	Schwartzkopff	Secretary	Wagaman Primary School
Tabetha	Stephenson	Chair	Nakara Primary School

4. **Apologies:**

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	POSITION ON SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE BODY	SCHOOL
Meagan	Dempsey	Parent Member	Nemarluk School
Noelene	Armstrong	Parent Member	Darwin Middle School
Yasuyo	Patel	Parent Member	Darwin High School
Kevin	Northcote	Principal	Darwin Languages Centre

5. **Minutes previous General Meeting:**

Minutes accepted as a true and accurate record with the following adjustments made to attendee information:

o Cherry Chavez-Hopwood Parent Member Leanyer Primary  
Replace "Parent Member" with "Chair"

o Shani Carson Chair Centralian Senior and Dripstone Middle  
Replace "Centralian" with "Casuarina"

Moved: Tabetha Stephenson      Seconded: Cherry Chevaz-Hopwood

6. **Business Arising from previous General Meeting Minutes:**

Nil

7. **Correspondence In:** *(Read by Secretary)*

Nil

**8. Correspondence Out:** *(Read by Secretary)*

Nil

**9. Business Arising from Correspondence:**

Nil

**10. Chair / Regional Representative Report:**

COGSO Information report on current advocacy work tabled.

**11. General Business:**

**11.1 Darwin Regional Council Positions Vacant: Vice-Chair & Secretary**

Nominations called for the vacant Secretary position.

One nomination from the floor received for Richelle Kent.

Elected unanimously, congratulations Richelle & thank you.

Nominations called for the vacant Vice-Chair position.

One nomination from the floor received for Tabettha Stephenson.

Elected unanimously, congratulations Tabettha & thank you.

**11.2 School Rep Bodies AGM's –**

Regional Council discussed various engagement initiatives for encouraging school community members to attend AGM's.

Dates:

Nakara Primary – 17<sup>th</sup> February

Dripstone Middle – 24<sup>th</sup> February

Leanyer Primary – 11<sup>th</sup> March

Casuarina Senior – 11<sup>th</sup> March

**11.3 Governance Training: AGM support, SRB training and feedback**

General discussion around the support that NT COGSO can provide to schools.

Nakara is interested in Governance training this year. Leanyer representative is interested in mentoring support.

**12. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 6:00pm – 7:00pm**

Council decided to alternate meeting locations between the Northern suburbs and near City.

**13. Meeting Close: 6.28pm**