

Location: Whitsunday Green Club, Cannon Valley

Present: 35 Chamber members and guests.

Board Apologies: None.

Meeting Opened: 7.45am

Business Item	Discussion Points	Action / Responsible Person
Welcome and Introduction	7:45am	Allan Milostic
Acceptance of minutes of previous AGM	Printed copy attached.	Moved: Allan Milostic, President Seconded: Mark Henry, member
President's Report	Following developments last year – merger with the Proserpine Chamber of Commerce and new five year strategic plan – our focus this year has been to bed down new foundations -- communications and internal operations – so the Board can turn it's attention to more strategic matters of our key pillars of advocacy, membership, and business education. Our advocacy activity this year included opportunities for local and state government candidates to meet and address business community concerns, being appointed to the Council's newly formed Economic Development Advisory Group, establishing regular knowledge exchange briefings across all levels, as well as joining conversations with Chambers of Commerce from Brisbane and northern Australian. Looking ahead, in the new year, we will be convening a Chamber Advisory Group – a strategic think tank that will shape a range a Chamber initiatives such as the federal election, regional economic development, workforce availability and productivity, and	Moved: Allan Milostic, President Seconded: All attendees

	our Whitsunday Business Conference. Additionally, a special Prosperine Committee will be formed to address specific issues and ideas. We've seen our membership base increase to 180 spanning all industry sectors. Together with Tourism Whitsundays, we launched the new and historic joint membership offer and have expanded the range of exclusive services and opportunities available to members. In the new year, we expect to see increased growth and membership engagement as we strive towards our goal of 300 members by December 2025. Our final strategic pillar is business education. In 2024 we launched the inaugural Whitsunday Business Conference and experimented with a mix of webinars, pop up Chambers, and breakfast events. We will be launching our 2025 business event calendar in the coming weeks which will include the full day business conference and quarterly Chamber meetings with occasional special events occurring throughout the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board members for their time and expertise – Gus Walsgott, Kim Porter and Melinda Louise Hutchings who have stepped down this year due to competing priorities, to Megan Taylor, Jannah Baker, Anthony Nobilia, and Fiona Erquiaga for their continued support and contribution, and to our new Board nominees who will bring fresh perspectives.	
Treasurer's Report	As Chamber Secretary, I will be presenting the Treasurer's Report as we are electing a new treasurer today.	Moved: Megan Taylor, Secretary Seconded: Mark Henry, member

	Our audited financial statements for the 2024 financial year are available here today and have been prepared by APW Accountancy Plus Whitsunday. As shown in this report, the income for the Chamber is \$59,412 well up on last year due to merger funds from the Proserpine Chamber of Commerce and increases in membership and event sponsorship. You will note our expenditure however is far higher on last year, as the Chamber Board chose to invest in resources in our Chamber Liaison role. We have generated a surplus of \$7,863 and have a healthy bank balance of \$30,152.44 as of yesterday. A copy of this Chamber's Financial Statements will be submitted to the Office of Fair Trading with our annual return in accordance with statutory requirements.	
Questions regarding Presidents or Treasurer reports	Nil.	
Acceptance of Financial Statements	President calls for acceptance of financial reports	Moved: Allan Milostic, President Seconded: All attendees
Proposed resolutions	That Accountancy Plus to continue to be Auditors for WCCC	Moved: Allan Milostic, President Seconded: Mark Henry, member
Election of Committee	Chaired by Allan Milostic who announced that all positions are considered vacated: The following people have been nominated and accepted:	Moved: Allan Milostic, President Seconded: Megan Taylor, Secretary Carried: All attendees

	— Allan Milostic, Live Life Pharmacies Airlie Beach for President (proposed by Julia Evans, seconded by Megan Taylor) — Megan Taylor, Kapow Interactive for Secretary (proposed by Jannah Baker, seconded by Fiona Erquiaga) — Fiona Erquiaga, Smooth Sailing Finance for Treasurer (proposed by Allan Milostic, seconded by Julia Evans) Committee Members: — Jannah Baker, Scallywag Fabrication for Board member (proposed by Fiona Erquiaga, seconded by Allan Milostic) — Emily Harvey, Filby's Motors for Board member (proposed by Robert Filby, seconded by Deborah Friend) — Anthony Nobilia, Airlie Beach Executive Services (proposed by Megan Taylor, seconded by Fiona Erquiaga) — Asher Telford, Whitsunday Charter Boat Industry Association and Sealink (proposed by Allan Milostic, seconded by Julia Evans) No further Committee member nominations came from the floor.	
Close of Meeting	No further discussion.	

Meeting closed: 7.55am

AGM Minutes to be ratified at next Annual General Meeting, 13 November 2025.