



**QEST Inc. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
to be held via teleconference, Wednesday 21st July 2021**

AGENDA

1. Attendance

2. Apologies

3. Minutes from the previous AGM – Sharon O’Keeffe

MOTION: That the minutes from the previous AGM, held 29th July 2020, are true and correct.

Moved: Sharon O’Keeffe; **Seconded:** Sharon Hunter

4. President’s Report – Nikki Bradford

MOTION: That the President’s Report be accepted.

Moved: Nikki Bradford; **Seconded:** Sharon O’Keeffe

5. Presentation of the Financial / Auditor’s Report – Jennifer Walters

MOTION: That the QEST financial report for year ended 30th April 2021, as prepared by Gold Group Consulting, be accepted

Moved: Jennifer Walters; **Seconded:** Nikki Bradford

6. Appointment of an Auditor – Jenny Walters

7. Membership Coordinator Report – Jacqui Burton

MOTION: That the Membership Coordinator’s Report be accepted

Moved: Jacqui Burton; **Seconded:** Nikki Bradford

8. Election of Office Bearers – Louanne Benecke

All positions shall be declared vacant. A list of nominations received by QEST management was made available to the members prior to the AGM, via email and QEST website. Where there are an insufficient number of candidates nominated, nominations shall be called from the floor of the AGM.

The AGM will be closed after the election of Office Bearers.

GENERAL MEETING of members - to be opened by the incoming President

1. Mike Bowles Book Award

2. General Business - Due to time restraints, members were requested to send items for General business to gest@gest.org.au by Wednesday of July.

2.1. Membership Fee increase for next QEST financial year

MOTION: That fees for the 2022-2023 QEST year be as follows

New Individuals 6 month \$19; Individual renewal \$38; Corporate new and renewing (up to 4 members) \$76; extra Corporate members (for schools with 4 or more members) \$12 each.

Moved: Nikki Bradford; **Seconded:** Jenny Walters

2.2. Rule Change

SPECIAL RESOLUTION: That QEST adopt changes to Section 4. Membership 1. a) MEMBERSHIP as attached.

Moved: Nikki Bradford; **Seconded:** Sharon O’Keeffe

4. MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership of the association shall consist of:

a) Ordinary Members - a member with full membership benefits:

Defined as persons currently employed in a science laboratory ~~support~~ role in a Queensland education facility.

This includes, but is not limited to, the following roles: ~~Science Technicians, Science Operations Officers~~, Scientific Officers, Laboratory Technicians, Laboratory Managers, Laboratory Supervisors, Laboratory Coordinators, Laboratory Assistants, Teacher aides employed to perform the duties of a laboratory technician, Teachers performing the duties of a laboratory technician as a formal part of their role (ie. For example in regional or small schools where there is no science laboratory support staff allocation), in either a state or private institution.

Ordinary members shall have the right to vote and eligibility to nominate for and hold a position on the Management Committee or subcommittee.

Please note the following:

Items in red indicate changes to current rules.

This rule change is to reflect changes to DETE employee role name and the professional status of the role. Changes are: the additional role name "Science Technician", removal of Science Operations Officer and reference to the role as a "support" role.