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Scout Association of Australia ACT Branch Incorporated (Scouts ACT) Notice of Annual General Council Meeting Procedures

Dear Council Members,

I write to you regarding the upcoming annual general council meeting of Scouts ACT scheduled for 26 May 2022, commencing at 7.30pm.

Like all people and organisations in Australia, Scouts ACT is continuing to meet the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over the past 12 months, the necessary restrictions implemented by the Federal and ACT Governments have continued to affect the way we deliver the Scouting program to our youth. We are all now adept at the hybrid life, pivoting appropriately and safely between face-to-face activities with social distancing, and online engagement. The agility Scouts ACT and our interstate counterparts have shown epitomises the spirit of Scouting.

The AGMs of 2020 and 2021 were moved online because this was the safest option. Happily, we found that it suited many of us very well. Attendance at online AGMs has been gratifyingly high.

We will continue in the same way this year. The AGM and voting will be conducted online. The Branch Executive Committee (BEC) has reviewed its policy to formalise the procedures for Annual General Meetings of Branch Council. The policy sets out the process for nominating for BEC positions and voting on the resolutions. A copy of the updated policy is **available on the Scouts ACT website**. A copy of frequently asked questions is **attached**.

Today we open the call for nominations for the following six (6) BEC positions:

- President
- Treasurer
- Uniformed member (two positions)
- Adult Supporters (two positions)

If you have experience or qualifications that you could bring to the BEC, I encourage you to nominate. We are also calling for nominations for Branch Supporters.

To ensure that Council Members have enough time to consider their votes, the Annual Report, Financial Statements, and the nominations for BEC and National Council representatives will be provided a week before the AGM.

Finally, as voting will all be conducted through the Election Buddy platform, voting by show of hands will not be possible. As such, I give notice as Chair of the Council Meeting, pursuant to 20.6 and 20.7 of the Branch Constitution, that a poll will be taken for each vote at the 2022 AGM.

If you have any questions regarding the AGM, please do not hesitate to contact me at chair@scoutsact.com.au or Executive Officer at eo.scoutsact.com.au

Kind regards

Yours in Scouting


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President