

Grandcarers SA

Chairperson's Report for 2022/2023

AGM November 2023

I present this report to indicate some of the key considerations of the Board over the past financial year. Financial outcomes will be provided in the Treasurers report. I also look forward with enthusiasm for the progress of the Grandcarers SA as its recognition grows. This will also be my final report in the role of Chairperson.

The year completed was exceptionally productive with CEO Michael Feszczak taking strong leadership of Grandcarers SA which enabled the Board to provide greater oversight and focus on the organisation. This in turn reduced the Board's operational involvement and enabled stronger focus on effective governance. Essentially the 2022/23 year was centred on strengthening the direction of the organisation and stabilising its operations. Significant governance activities for Board included:

- Adopting the trading name Grandcarers SA to better reflect on the purpose of the organisation.
- Appointing a second Ambassador Ms Jane Reilly OAM.
- Increasing marketing activities.
- Building networks.
- Strengthening financial management and reporting.

The following Board Director changes occurred during the year:

- resignations from Marcia Evans and Rob Proctor, Marcia was the Secretary/Treasurer for several years and Rob presented a grandparent's view through lived experience. Both provided critical views and commentary as part of decision making within the Board.
- Retirement of Penny Fraser (as at 26th October 2023). Penny has been a long term Board member and has provided continuous support and commitment to the role of Director as well the functions of Grandcarer's SA as well as provided a grandparent's view through lived experience. Her tireless involvement has been well appreciated.

2022/23 also welcomed new Board members, Enzo Belperio, Tracy Bonney, and Jaylee Cooper with expectation of effective application of their respective skills and experiences. We looked forward to their contribution, insight and experience in the growth and development of GFGSA. We also acknowledge that Jaylee unfortunately resigned in September due to other commitments and priorities.

In all, the year was extremely eventful, and I must congratulate all continuing Board members; David Egege (Deputy Chairperson), Kath House, Tracy Bonney (Treasurer), Sandra Egege (Secretary) and Enzo Belperio for their significant contribution throughout the year, participating in the governance of the Board, as well the continued development of the organisation. Two vacancies exist on the Board (as at this AGM).

I also thank Mike Feszczak CEO for his welcomed management and focus on the growth and development of Grandcarers SA during 2022/23 and for the commitment of the team ensuring values are upheld and purpose achieved.

Wayne Turner

Chairperson, GFGSA