

## Australian Federation of Graduate Women Inc. PO Box 345 Concord West NSW 2138 www.afgw.org.au

1 July 2018

Dear Friends in AFGW,

We are rapidly approaching another significant stage in AFGW Inc when we change from the 37<sup>th</sup> Triennium to the 38<sup>th</sup> Triennium at our Annual General Meeting. This is an opportunity to find out more about what AFGW is doing and how you can be involved in taking the organization forward and advancing the cause of education for women and girls. The new Council established at the AGM is also the one who will be taking Australia to the Graduate Women International Conference and Centenary celebrations in Geneva in July 2019.

This year we are being hosted for the AGM by the women of the Gold Coast Branch of Graduate Women Queensland who in 2018 celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> Jubilee.

Below is the official notification of all the important aspects which need to be advised and attended to by 1 August 2018. Details will become available as we approach the date.

# Notice of AGM 2018

#### The AGM of AFGW will be held at the Southport Golf Club, Slatyer Ave, Southport Queensland Saturday 8 September 2:00pm followed by a Cocktail reception

**Call for nominations to Executive positions.** Nominations are called for Executive members for the 38<sup>th</sup> Triennium of AFGW. These are:

#### President Co-ordinator of International Relations Honorary Business Manager Hon Secretary

These nominations are made through your State body. A form is attached. Details of the positions are available in the AFGW Constitution which can be found on the website <u>www.afgw.org.au</u>

### Non-elected roles.

We are also looking for expressions of interest for the non-elected convener roles on national Council. At present these are the policy Conveners for Education; Status of Women; Peace, Hunan Right and Human Security and the administrative role of Convener of Resolutions.

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#### **Fellowships Officer**

Another very significant role is for the Fellowships Officer who administers the advertising, assessment of applications, and presentation of our three national awards.

#### National Women's Alliances

AFGW has two delegates to each of the Equality Rights Alliance (ERA) and economic Security 4 Women (eS4W). Traditionally one of each of the delegates has been an Executive member. There is some funding from the government to attend meetings. If interested contact for ERA Jane Baker jane.baker1@optusnet.com.au and for eS4W Dalma Jacobs <dalma@dalmajacobs.com>.

# Please think seriously about being involved at national level and contact me for further information. <u>afgwsec37@gmail.com</u> Phone: 02 95608070

#### Amendments to the AFGW Constitution

Now is your opportunity to make changes to the rules which govern our organization. Please look at our website and if you have suggestions about how we can improve our governance contact our Resolutions Convener, Jocelyn Eskdale, jocelyn.eskdale@agriculture.gov.au who will help you with drafting.

#### **Call for Resolutions**

There may be issues about which you think AFGW should be taking actions and making advocacy submissions at a national level. What we have committed to is also on the website in the AFGW Inc Policy and Attitudes Book. If you think we need to revisit these, update or modify, or if you see gaps where you think we should take a stand please also contact Jocelyn who will help you with the process.

As well as the AGM there will be two Council meetings and other social activities. The Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) from the Gold Coast are currently looking at accommodation and transport options. Let me know if you would like to be part of it all and I'll make sure you get all the information.

The Honorary Business Manager will advise each of the State Associations of their voting strengths for the AGM based on membership numbers in 2017-18. Voting by Delegates is in person only.

Looking forward to working with you towards the Centenary of AFGW Inc. in 2021

Best wishes

'Tricia Blombery Hon Secretary AFGW Inc

# **AFGW Inc. Executive Nomination Form 2018**

NB: This nomination form is to be handed in the first instance to the Secretary of the relevant STA. It is the role of that STA to decide whether or not a nomination is to go forward. In the event of more than one nomination being received, the STA must decide which nomination will be forwarded to the Hon Sec of AFGW Inc

We wish to nominate:			
Name:	of	of	
Address:			
Email:			
For the position of:	International Relations, Secretary, Honorary Busines	s Manager) for the 38 <sup>th</sup>	
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<b>Nominator</b> Name:	Seconder Name:		
Signature:	Signature:		
Nominee			
I am pleased to accept nom	ination for this position		
Signature:			
Nominee, nominator and se	econder are all current financial members of	(STA)	
STA Treasurer/Membershi	p secretary name:		
Signature:			
Endorsement of STA: This	is to be signed below by the STA President and one	other Committee Member	
President	Committee Member		
Original nomination form to	to be sent by the Secretary of the STA to the Secretar	y AFGW Inc, 11 Park Rd	

Marrickville 2204.

To be received by close of business 1 August 2018.