

**Minutes of the Twelfth Annual General Meeting
of the Australian Labour Law Association Inc**

Held at **12:30pm (EDST) on Saturday 17 November 2012** at the Rydges Lakeside Hotel, London Circuit, Canberra.

Professor Andrew Stewart, President of the Association, chaired the meeting. The following members were in attendance:

Helen Anderson, Stefan Banovich, Anna Chapman, Adam Dzieciol, Graeme Colgan, Nick Ellery, Andrew Frazer, Emma Goodwin, Peter Gray, Steve Heathcote, Richard Johnstone, Andrew Knott, Janey Kuzma, Victoria Lambropoulos, Erin McCarthy, Shae McCrystal, Bruce Moore, Paul Murphy, Marilyn Pittard, Peter Punch, Mark Rinaldi, Cameron Roles, Janine Smith, Vanitha Sundra-Karean, Pauline Thai, Natalie van der Waarden and Anne-Marie Whelan.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Brendan Avallone, Ron McCallum, Richard Naughton, Gary Rothville, Jacquie Seema and Graham Smith.

Ordinary Business

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the 11th Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 3 November 2011 via national video conference at the offices of Blake Dawson in Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Canberra, Brisbane and Adelaide, were presented by Andrew Stewart. The minutes were circulated to members at the meeting.

Resolution: That the 2011 AGM minutes be accepted with minor technical amendments by Shae McCrystal.

Moved: Shae McCrystal

Seconded: Andrew Stewart

Carried

2. Secretary Report on the Association's Activities

The Secretary of the Association, Dr Shae McCrystal, had prepared a written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes and which was circulated to members at the meeting. The Secretary summarised the highlights of the report.

The Secretary thanked ALLA members and speakers for the successful State Chapter events held during the past year and thanking the State Chapter Convenors for their time, effort and involvement with ALLA.

The Secretary thanked the Conference organising committee, composed of Cameron Roles, Kate Leonard, Shae McCrystal, Joellen Riley and Victoria Lambropoulos, for putting together a

successful 2012 Conference, as well as COAST (the ANU College of Law Conference organising team).

The Secretary also thanked the University of Melbourne for administrative support, as well as Administrators Bethany King, Rachel Liebhaber and Tessa Dermody.

Resolution: That the Secretary's report be accepted.

Moved: Peter Gray Seconded: Erin McCarthy

Carried

3. Financial Report

The Treasurer of the Association, Nicholas Ellery, tabled the accounts for the financial year 2011-2012, as required by s30A of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* (Vic). The Treasurer tabled the written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, and discussed the main features of these accounts.

The Treasurer noted that ALLA's financial report for the 2011/2012 financial year showed a stable and healthy financial situation. He reported that the Conference had been financially successful with sponsorship and strong registration.

Resolution: That the Association's accounts for 2011-2012 as tabled by the Secretary be accepted as providing a true and fair view of the Association's financial position during, and at the end, of its last financial year, ending 30 June 2012.

Moved: Steve Heathcote

Seconded: Mark Rinaldi

Carried

4. Election of Officers and Ordinary Members of the National Committee of Management

The President reported that pursuant to the Association's Rules, nominations have been called for the positions of Officers and Ordinary Members of the National Committee of Management.

The following nominations for Officer positions had been received as at the date of close of nominations, Friday, 14 October 2011:

President	Andrew Stewart, SA
Vice President	Marilyn Pittard, Vic
Treasurer	Nicholas Ellery, WA
Secretary	Shae McCrystal, NSW

As the number of nominations for the above positions was equal to the number of vacancies, no ballot was necessary and the above candidates were deemed to be elected to these positions.

In relation to the Ordinary Member positions on the Committee, 12 nominations had been received and accordingly, no ballot was necessary and the following candidates were deemed to have been elected to these positions:

Ordinary Members	Cameron Roles, ACT
	Janine Smith, NSW
	Graham Smith, VIC
	Ron McCallum, NSW
	Erin McCarthy, SA
	Victoria Lambropoulos, VIC
	Vince Rogers, QLD
	Richard Johnstone, QLD
	Mark Rinaldi, TAS
	Anna Chapman, VIC
	Janey Kuzma, ACT
	Emma Goodwin, VIC

Shae McCrystal thanked resigning committee members Michael Tamvakologos, John Howe and Natalie van der Waarden for their time and energy on the National Committee. Shae welcomed new committee members Anna Chapman (VIC), Janey Kuzma (ACT) and Emma Goodwin (VIC) to the National Committee.

5. Special Resolution for Alteration of the Rules of ALLA

The President presented on the proposed Special Resolution for Alteration of the Rules of the Australian Labour Law Association, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He emphasized that the proposal would be to allow ALLA to maintain commitment to cooperation and affiliation with ISLLSS but to provide more flexibility for ALLA, as the current rules commit ALLA to being a member of the body. Justice Peter Gray raised that changes have recently been made to the requirements of Rules of Association in Victoria that may affect an alteration of ALLA's rules.

Justice Gray proposed withdrawing the proposal and bringing it back to the 2013 AGM to ensure the changes are in line with the new rules of Registered Associations.

6. Other Business

Comparative Labor Law and Policy Journal

Andrew Stewart was pleased to report that ALLA has secured a subscription to the Comparative Labor Law and Policy Journal for all members.

Next ALLA Conference

Andrew Stewart asked any members with views, ideas or offers for the 2014 ALLA Conference to relay them to Shae McCrystal.

Mark Rinaldi moved a vote of thanks to the management committee.

Moved: Mark Rinaldi

Seconded: Peter Gray

At 1:15pm the chair declared the meeting closed.