

Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual General Meeting of the Australian Labour Law Association

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian Labour Law Association Inc was held at **3.00pm (AEDT) Saturday 5 November 2016**. The AGM was held at the Novotel St Kilda, Melbourne.

Professor Andrew Stewart, President of the Association, chaired the meeting. The following members were in attendance: Gordon Stewart, Jeane Wells, Peter Punch, Peter Gray, Rosemary Owens, Anna-Marie Whelan, Anthony Forsyth, Janine Smith, John Howe, Mark Rinaldi, Dominique Allen, Jacquie Seemann, Shae McCrystal, Marilyn Pittard, Matt Kelleher, Richard Naughton, Bill Steenson, Allison Leonard, Kate Walawski, Ellie Bassingthwaighte, Carolyn Sutherland, Graham Smith, Bruce Planck Emma Goodwin, Victoria Lambropoulos and Gemma Briffa.

Apologies were received from: Vice President Joseph Catanzariti, Commissioner Saunders, Chris Molnar, Cameron Roles, Josh Bornstein, Tess Hardy, Kaye Smith, Richard Johnstone, Joellen Riley, Ron McAllum, David Chin, Leigh Johns.

Ordinary Business

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 24 November 2015.

The minutes of the 15th Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 24 November 2015 were presented by Andrew Stewart. The minutes were circulated to members via email prior to the meeting. Janine Smith noted that she needs to be added to the attendance list and that she moved and seconded the first and second resolution. It was also noted that Commissioner Leigh Dodds should be changed to Commissioner Leigh Johns.

Resolution: That the 2015 AGM minutes be accepted

Moved: Marilyn Pittard Seconded: Graham Smith
Carried

2. Secretary's Report on the Association's Activities

The Secretary and Public Officer of the Association, Associate Professor Shae McCrystal, prepared a written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes and which was circulated to members by email prior to the meeting. The Secretary noted that this was her 7th report and last report as secretary of ALLA. Shae thanked the executive and committee for all their support over the years.

The Secretary noted that ALLA had 229 members as of the 30 June 2017, with 78 pending renewal.

The Secretary gave a special thanks to the State Chapter Conveners for their time and involvement with ALLA, noting there had been many successful State Chapter events held during the year

The Secretary also thanked the conference committee, the executive Gemma Briffa, and CELRL for hosting the administrator.

Resolution: That the Secretary's Report be accepted.

Moved: Rosemary Owens Seconded: Victoria Labropoulos

Carried

3. Financial Report

Shae McCrystal presented the financial report, tabled the accounts for the financial year 2015-2016, as required by s 94 of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* (Vic). The written report was circulated to members by email prior to the meeting and a copy is attached to these minutes. The Secretary noted that balance today is substantially lower due to the funding for this year's conference however there was at least \$7,000 expected to be returned to ALLA after the Conference. The Secretary noted ALLA maintains a stable and healthy financial position.

Resolution: Those Association's accounts for 2015-2016 as presented by Shae McCrystal 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 2016.

Moved: Graham Smith

Seconded: Janine Smith

Carried

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

Nominations for ordinary members were:

- Anthony Forsyth
- Ellie Bassingthwaighte
- Emma Goodwin
- Matt Kelleher
- Victoria Lambropoulos
- Graham Smith
- Mark Rinadli
- Shae McCrystal
- Vince Rogers
- David Quinn
- Janine Smith
- Carolyn Sutherland
- Tess Hardy

Nominations for the Executive were:

President - Andrew Stewart-
Vice-President - Marilyn Pittard-
Treasurer- Nicholas Ellery
Secretary-Dominique Allen

Shae stated that as the number does not exceed the positions available, the positions stand without a vote.

Shae acknowledged Janey Kuzma who has left the committee and welcomed Matt Keleher. Andrew thanked Dominique for taking on the Secretary role.

5. Other Business

Andrew noted that the 4th Biannual Conference of the New Zealand Labour Law Society will be held in on 17 and 18 November 2017 in Christchurch.

Conversations about where to hold the next ALLA conference have started but nothing has been determined yet.

Marilyn advised feedback on the conference would be sought via email.

Establishing a social media presence for ALLA was discussed, with a focus on exploring the opportunity to utilise the LinkedIn platform.

Andrew thanked those involved in organising the conference and noted how successful it had been. He also extended thanks to the sponsors including Fair Work Ombudsman, Andrew echoed the Secretary's thanks to the executive and Gemma, and extended his appreciation to the outgoing Secretary.

3.40pm closed