

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE AUSTRALIAN LABOUR LAW ASSOCIATION**

Held at **5:30pm (AEDT) Thursday 12 November 2020**, via Zoom video conferencing

Marilyn Pittard, President of the Association, chaired the meeting.

The following members were in attendance: Dominique Allen; Ellie Bassingthwaighte; Renee Burns; David Chin SC; Daniel Crute; Jacqueline Dettman; Nicholas Ellery; Anthony Forsyth; Ben French; Emma Goodwin; Julie Gordon; Peter Gray; Tess Hardy; Charles Martin; Ron McCallum AO; Shae McCrystal; Bruce Moore; Rosemary Owens; Marilyn Pittard; Peter Punch; Janine Smith; Dianne Yali; Graham Smith and Jonathan Sale.

**Apologies** were received from: Larissa Andelman; Brendan Avallone; Emma Babbage; Allison Ballard; Josh Bornstein; Gabrielle Golding; Peta Imber; Leigh Johns; Melissa Kennedy; Robert Laird; David Langmead; Ken McAlpine; Ursula McBride; Chris Molnar; Renee Mooney; Paul Moorehouse; Jennifer Nielsen; Joellen Riley; Mark Rinaldi; Vince Rogers; Gary Rothville; Andrew Stewart and Evan Willis.

**ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held Held at 5.30pm (AEDT) Thursday 7 November 2019, held via national phone and video conference at the offices of Ashurst in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Canberra and Brisbane.

***Resolution: That the minutes of the 2019 AGM be accepted as true and accurate record.***

*Moved:* Graham Smith

*Seconded:* Janine Smith

**Carried**

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

The Secretary and Public Officer of the Association, Dominique Allen, had prepared a written report, which was circulated to members by email prior to the meeting. The Secretary summarised the highlights of the report.

Dominique noted that we had been expecting to be in Sydney at this time for the 2020 Conference. The 2020 Conference has been pushed back to November 2021 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, with the next conference to follow in 2022. Members will be approached for venues and ideas for the 2022 conference in the new year.

ALLA events were moved online in 2020 and featured a variety of speakers and topics, many of which unsurprisingly discussed the impacts of COVID-19. These events were popular, some receiving up to 300 registrants and attracted a large number of new members. Dominique encouraged members to get in touch with State Chapter Coordinators to share suggestions for future events.

The ALLA ECR network continued to grow in 2020. The year commenced with an online seminar and series of shut up and skype events arranged by Alysia Blackham. The coordinator role was taken up mid-year by Gabrielle Golding who has convened two online seminars this year as well as an ECR Conference and third online seminar due to be held Friday 13 November 2020.

ALLA's financial membership was 279 as of 30 June 2020, with 42 memberships pending renewal for 2020.

Dominique thanked the outgoing Executive and National Committee for their work this year. The work of Renee Burns as ALLA Administrator was also recognised with thanks.

***Resolution: That the Secretary's report be accepted as a true and accurate account of the Association's activities during and to the end of the financial year ending 30 June 2020.***

*Moved:* Anthony Forsyth      *Seconded:* Peter Gray

**Carried**

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3. Financial Report

The Treasurer, Emma Goodwin, tabled the accounts for the 2019-2020 financial year, 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. The Treasurer noted a small loss owing to 2020 not being a conference year.

***Resolution: That the Association's accounts for 2019-2020 as tabled by the Treasurer be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Association's financial position during and to the end of the financial year ending 30 June 2020.***

*Moved:* Ron McCallum AO    *Seconded:* David Chin SC

**Carried**

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

Marilyn recorded thanks to the outgoing Executive and National Committee for their work in 2020.

The Secretary reported the following nominations for National Committee of Management Officer positions had been received:

<b>President</b>	Marilyn Pittard
<b>Vice President</b>	Anthony Forsyth
<b>Secretary</b>	Dominique Allen
<b>Treasurer</b>	Emma Goodwin

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 declared duly elected.

12 nominations were received for National Committee **Ordinary Member** positions.

Larissa Andelman  
Ellie Bassingthwaighte  
David Chin SC  
David Crute  
Nick Ellery  
Gabrielle Golding  
Tess Hardy  
Mark Rinaldi  
Graham Smith  
Janine Smith  
Andrew Stewart  
Dianne Yali

As the number of nominations for the above positions did not exceed the number of vacancies, no ballot was necessary, and the above candidates were declared duly elected.

Dominique thanked all members of the National Committee and welcomed new members Daniel Crute and Larissa Andelman to the 2020 Committee.

5. Other business

Marilyn offered thanks to the 2020 Conference Committee for their work and planning to date and for their agile footwork when it came to rescheduling the conference.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:03pm (AEDT).