

21st EESA NATIONAL AGM MINUTES

UNAPPROVED

Monday 25 November 2019 at 6.15pm
International Convention Centre - Level 4 – Room C4.2

ATTENDANCE:

1. Welcome and apologies
J A opened the meeting at 6:03pm

APOLOGIES:

Martyn Pearce (SA/NT chapter chair)
Pippa Williams (Tas chapter chair)

2. Approval of Minutes of 2018 AGM ([attachment A](#))
JA put the acceptance of the minutes to the floor. All in favour. Accepted.

3. Introduction of 2020 National Council members:

VOTING

- Jeff Allen (NSW/ACT) – elected
- Tom Bammann (SA/NT) – elected
- Natalie Hutchinson – elected
- Abrar Aziz – VIC Chair
- Terry Lampard - NSW/ACT Chair
- Kim Boyd – QLD Chair
- Russell Ellen – WA Chair
- Pippa Williams – TAS Chair
- Martyn Pearce – SA/NT Chair

NON-VOTING

- Penelope Lyons – Secretary
- Robert Barr (NSW/ACT) – Immediate Past President

TO BECOME VOTING IF APPOINTED

- Larry Meng – Honorary Treasurer Candidate
- Aditi Sachdeva – Young Professional Member Candidate

4. Correspondence
LM received an email reminding him the AGM needed to be before 30 December 2019.

5. President's annual report – brief presentation ([attachment B](#))
 - JA reported on national council activities throughout the past 12 months:
 - Resignations from the National Council.

- List of 11 meetings of the National Council, including one special general meeting. 2 face-to-face meetings and a number of teleconferences.
- Review of the constitution and the main issues addressed:
 - There was no provision for chapters to be represented on the national council and this was rectified by restructuring the makeup of the national council. Elected and appointed roles were created.
 - Membership categories and roles were addressed.
 - Voting rights were clarified, e.g. retired members had no voting rights previously.
- Our key goal is to grow our membership by improving our membership offerings.
- This year we have put on 81 events across Australia.
- We communicated to members via the monthly bulletin, direct email marketing, LinkedIn and Facebook.
- We are planning to renew the EESA website.
- We may fine-tune the constitution and move our registration to ASIC rather than the NSW Department of Fair Trading.

6. Treasurer's annual report – brief presentation ([attachment C](#))

Our assets figure varies from \$500,000 to \$650,000 depending on the success of the EECON. Increase in corporate membership money.

We are financially healthy. Robert Barr commended Larry Meng on his work putting the report together.

The two biggest expenses are the website and admin services. The new website will be a big expense over the next two years.

LM moved to accept the report. All in favour.

7. General Business

Russell Ellen acknowledged the great work of Robert Barr. He has served for a very long time and done a great job.

JA thanked Robert Barr and commended him

JA thanked Michael Verrier who has just stepped down after 9 years.

JA thanked Martyn Pearce for his work on the constitution working party.

JA thanked Larry Meng for his hard work as treasurer.

JA thanked the chapter chairs and committee members for their work in putting on the technical programs that are at the heart of EESA.

JA thanked Terry Miller, Patrick McMullan and Tony Patterson for their work on the bulletin.

JA thanks Terry Lampard and the EECON committee for organising a wonderful conference to come.

8. Close of meeting

JA closed the meeting at 6:35pm.