



THE ELECTRIC ENERGY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC

EESA 2020 National AGM Teleconference

Monday 23rd November 2020 at 5.30 pm (AEDT)
MINUTES - MP 26/11/2020

Present

Jeff Allen– JNA

Heidi Jephtha– HJ

Larry Meng– LM

Pippa Williams – PW

Amy Phan – AP

Russell Ellen – RE

Martyn Pearce – MP

Natalie Hutchinson– NH

Kim Boyd – KB

Tom Bammann – TB

Aditi Sachedva – AS

Alexandra Price AP

Abrar Aziz – AA

Terry Lampard – TL

Jose Plata

Patrick McMullan- PM

David Newton - DN

Alan Luc - AL

Romulo Cabalse RC

Timothy Leech TL

Robert Barr RB

Naresh Rai - NR

Beer Opatsuwan BO

David Sweeting - DS

Trevor Blackburn - TB

1. Welcome and Apologies.

JA welcomed all to the 2020 AGM.

2. Minutes of 2019 AGM

These minutes were accepted by the Meeting.

3. Correspondence

Nil.

4. Annual Report

JA delivered his Report, summarising:

- Council members 2020
- Implementation of the new Constitution
- Monthly Council meetings
- EESA Business Plan items including:
 - Membership services:
 - Financial year fee payments
 - National webinar program
 - National mentoring program
 - Facilitation further industry working groups
 - Improved promotions
 - Annual National and Chapter budgets implemented
 - Improved governance with new policies and procedures implemented

5. Finance Report

Treasurer, Larry Meng, delivered the audited figures for the consolidated National and State Chapters 2019/20 accounts:

- Financial results for 2019/20:
 - Total income \$200,002
 - Total expenses \$179,803
 - Profit \$20,198
- Total asset base has increased to \$616,136.52
- Profit attributed to lower than anticipated conference related and travelling costs due to greater use of on-line communications during the pandemic.
- The National accounts deficit for 2019/20 was \$27,613

Larry noted that funds in the National accounts have reduced in recent years due to the costs associated with the salary of the Executive Assistant and with the maintenance for the EESA web site.

Decision: That the audited accounts be adopted and that Nina Dillon of Goulburn be reappointed as auditor for the 2020/21 financial year.

5. National Council 2021

President, Jeff Allen, introduced the members of the new National Council. Jeff indicated his appreciation to Tom Bammann and Alexandra Price who have agreed to participate on Council as Corresponding Members.

6. General Business

David Sweeting asked whether Council had considered reviewing the amount of membership monies being transferred to State Chapters as a means of assisting with the management of the National accounts. Patrick McMullan asked whether Council has considered applying levies on State Chapters in consideration of the support provided by the Executive Assistant.

Conferring of EESA Awards.

Jeff Allen presented certificates to Robert Barr for Life Membership and to Kim Boyd for Fellow Membership. On behalf of the Society Jeff expressed his appreciation of the contributions made by both Robert and Kim.

EECON

Terry Lampard reported on the EECON 2020 Conference, commencing the next day, noting:

- 23 presenters
- 230 registrations
- 13 student post papers
- Hub created at West Australian University

Russell Ellen advised that EECON 2021 is to be held in Perth.

Jeff Allen thanked Council members for their contributions over the last year.

7. Closure

The meeting closed at 6:30 pm (AEDT)