

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting**  
**Law and Society Association of Australia and New Zealand Inc.**  
**(Qld Incorporation Number: 35089)**

**1.10pm-1.50pm Thursday 7th December 2017**

Conference Venue: Seminar Room 1  
St David Theatre Complex, University of Otago  
Dunedin, New Zealand/Aotearoa

**(At the LSAANZ Conference, 'A Meeting Place for Interdisciplinary Explorations of Justice')**

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**Agenda**

The Annual General Meeting conducted the following business:

**1. Welcome & Apologies**

The President welcomed attendees to the Annual General Meeting.

Attending: Deirdre Howard-Wagner\* (Chair), Robyn Holder\* (Secretary), Kim Economides, Dannielle Wade\*, Jane Wangmann\*, Trish Lucker\*, Allen George\*, Gary Cazalet, Emma Henderson, Dean Knight\*, Kerry King, Hanna Jaireth, Alexandra McEwan, Ben Schonthal, Alice Taylor\*, Fiona McCaughey, Bridgette Toy-Cronin\*, Warren Forster\*, Mary Spiers-Williams\*

Apologies were received from Sarah Ciftci\*, Cristy Clark\*, Rob McQueen\*, Tim Peters\*

Note: those marked \* are Management Committee members for 2016-2017

**2. President's Report**

Not received

**3. 2016-2017 Financial Statements**

A draft statement of the assets and liabilities of the Association for 2016-2017 was tabled. It was proposed to receive the draft statement pending additional information for the 2017 year.

Proposed: Robyn Holder

Seconded: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Agreed by unanimous vote.

#### **4. Consideration Regarding Public Liability Insurance**

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#### **5. Proposed LSAANZ Constitutional Change**

The President advised that at the last LSAANZ Management Committee meeting a proposal was put forward to have an overarching management committee and an executive committee. The Executive Committee, comprising of five people, would meet on a monthly basis. The Management Committee, which is what we have at the moment, would meet on a quarterly basis. The proposal was to also take nominations for sub-committees and one member of the sub-committees (on a rotating basis or as nominated) would report back to the executive and/or management committee as needed. If needed, we can do a lot of business via email too. This will ensure that we still have an active management committee, but cut down the number of people who need to attend meetings and issues relating to quorums.

We presently only have three Executive members, so to make this work we need to amend the Constitution. So, it was proposed that we would amend the Constitution to create a position of Vice President and one ordinary member to join the Executive, so that we have five on the Executive. While we do not have to put this in the Constitution, we will also ensure that either the President or Vice President is a New Zealand member, if possible. Thus, two motions need to be put forward at the AGM. One re the change to meetings and committee management and the other to amend the Constitution.

The meeting also proposed that a two year appointment for executive positions be considered as a constitutional amendment for the 2018 AGM.

Proposer: Deidre Howard-Wagner

Secunder: Warren Forster

Agreed by unanimous vote.

#### **6. Election of 2018 Executive Committee**

Nominated for President: Deidre Howard-Wagner

Proposed: Warren Forster

Secunder: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Agreed by unanimous vote.

Nominated for Vice-President: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Proposed: Trish Luker

Secunder: Deidre Howard-Wagner

Agreed by unanimous vote.

Nominated for Treasurer: Allen George

Proposed: Robyn Holder

Secunder: Trish Luker

Agreed by unanimous vote.

Nominated for Secretary: Robyn Holder

Proposed: Warren Forster

Secunder: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Agreed by unanimous vote.

Nominated for Ordinary Member of the Executive (NZ): Warren Forster

Proposed: Deidre Howard-Wagner

Secunder: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Agreed by unanimous vote.

## **7. Election of 2018 Management Committee**

Nominations for Management Committee: Dean Knight, Emma Henderson, Trish Luker, Jane Wangmann, Margaret Davies, Alex McEwan

Postgraduate Representative nomination: Alice Taylor

All the above were proposed as the new Management Committee for 2018.

Proposed: Deidre Howard-Wagner

Seconder: Bridgette Toy-Cronin

Agreed by unanimous vote.

## **8. 2018 Joint Conference, University of Wollongong, Australia**

Information about the 2018 LSAANZ conference was supplied by the University of Wollongong and distributed at this conference.

## **9. Proposed new journal**

The proposal for a new L&S journal had been discussed at the last Management Committee meeting. Professor Bill MacNeill had been invited to zoom in to this meeting. The item was left for later discussion.

10. Thank you to Bridgette and her team for a great conference and for logistical support for the AGM.

11. Closed at 1.50pm