

Statistical Society of Australia, Victorian Branch

Annual General Meeting, Minutes

5:30pm, 30 March 2022

Staff Tea Room, Peter Hall Building, or Teleconference via Zoom

Councillor attendees:

Emi Tanaka, Ben Harrap, Damjan Vukcevic, Elizabeth Korevaar, Lauren Kennedy, Kevin Wang (Zoom), Cameron Patrick (Zoom)

Member attendees:

Elena Tartaglia, Patrick Weihao Li, Swen Kuh, Dennis Leung, Tim Brown, Ian Gordon, Jessica Kasza, Derchieh Hung (Zoom), Rob Hyndman (Zoom), Yiwen Wang (Zoom), Jeyamalar Thurai Rathnam (Zoom), Kim Jachno (Zoom), Melissa Middleton (Zoom), Dina Neiger (Zoom), Joanne Potts (Zoom), Belinda Maher (Zoom), Myra McGuinness (Zoom), Philip Rayment (Zoom), Rick Tankard (Zoom), Atousa Ghahramani (Zoom), Kym Butler (Zoom)

Councillor apologies:

None

Member apologies:

John Carlin

Emi Tanaka called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Item	Discussion
Apologies	(no new apologies mentioned; the ones listed above were sent via email)

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Minutes of the 2021 AGM	<p>Emi Tanaka proposes that we accept the minutes of the previous AGM as a true account of last year's AGM.</p> <p>Damjan Vukcevic seconds the motion</p> <p>All in favour</p>
Annual Report 2021	<p>Emi Tanaka proposes that the Annual Report is accepted</p> <p>Damjan Vukcevic seconds the motion</p> <p>All in favour</p>
Treasurer's Report	<p>We had another good year, expenses were similar to the previous year due to the mix of online-only and in-person events. The ANZSC hub was a success, which was in part supported by the Central Council. Seed funding was also received for the Di Cook Award. If anyone has ideas for funding please get in touch.</p> <p>Emi Tanaka proposes that we accept the Treasurer's report</p> <p>Ben Harrap seconds the motion</p> <p>All in favour</p>
Appointment of Auditor for 2022	<p>Marnie Downes is nominated as the auditor for 2022.</p> <p>Emi Tanaka proposes that this nomination be accepted</p> <p>Tim Brown seconds the motion</p>

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Election of Vice-President	<p>Ben Harrap is the nominee. He has been the secretary on the council for three and a half years, is part of the EDI committee, attends central council meetings as a representative of the Vic branch, and was an organiser on ECSSC2021.</p> <p>Ian Gordon asked to clarify the cycle of presidency on the council. Emi Tanaka clarified that the role begins as Vice President, transitioning to two years as President, then one final year as Vice President, training up the new President.</p> <p>Emi Tanaka proposes for Ben Harrap to take the Vice President role.</p> <p>Damjan Vukcevic seconds the motion.</p> <p>All in favour.</p>
Election of Councillors for 2022	<p>Emi Tanaka thanked all the outgoing councillors for their contributions – Rheanna Mainzer, Daniel Fryer, Kevin Wang, Hien Nguyen, Lidija Turkovic, Lauren Kennedy. Emi Tanaka also acknowledged Damjan Vukcevic’s service of nine years to the council, including two years as President.</p> <p>The nominations for the 2022 council are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Belinda Maher - Cameron Patrick - Dennis Leung

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elena Tartaglia - Elizabeth Korevaar - Joanne Potts - Melissa Middleton - Patrick Robotham - Rick Tankard - Swen Kuh <p>Emi Tanaka called for questions. Ian Gordon asked what continuity we have on the council. There are five continuing and seven new councillors.</p> <p>Emi Tanaka proposed that we accept the council nominations.</p> <p>Ben Harrap seconds.</p> <p>All in favour</p>
Changes to the Rules	<p>Elena Tartaglia asked why the change was proposed. Emi Tanaka explained that the change is to ensure better privacy protection for our members while being compliant with the CAV rules. Dina Neiger commented the change is a good one.</p> <p>Emi Tanaka proposed that we accept the change to the Rules</p> <p>Dina Neiger seconded the proposal</p>

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	All in favour
Other business	<p data-bbox="583 354 1942 662">Ian Gordon asked how the interactions between the Victorian branch and the National branch are going. Emi Tanaka noted that Ian Gordon is the incoming President of the National branch. Damjan Vukcevic commented that there is good representation at the Central Council meetings. Attendees to the meeting have been the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Ben Harrap commented that while sometimes interactions have been challenging, the overall goal has always been to improve outcomes for our members and the services we deliver for them and that the collaboration between the Vic branch and National branch has been positive.</p> <p data-bbox="583 716 1541 751">Dina Neiger called for volunteers to assist with the membership database.</p>

Emi Tanaka called the meeting to a close at approximately 5:57pm