

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Venue: Gemmology House, 380-382 Spencer Street, West Melbourne 3003

Date: Thursday 14th March 2024

Attendees:

Cheryl Paton, David Heiderich, Ian Dun, Grant Hamid, Laura Brehaut, Jacinta Mainstone, Katrina Marchioni,, Ronnie Bauer, Michael Oboler, Marg Martell, Kathryn Wyatt (Online), Sophie Tornatore (Online)

Apologies

Stacey Lim, Dorothy Ng, Chris Holdsworth

Proxies

Appointed Proxy: Ian Dun on behalf of Stacey Lim

Appointed Proxy: Michael Oboler on behalf of Mark Trickey

Appointed Proxy: Laura Brehaut on behalf of Dorothy Ng

Chair: Michael Oboler

Minutes: Tim Dun

Meeting Opened: 6.07 p.m.

Motion: That the minutes of the last AGM of GAA (Vic) held on 13th April, 2023, be accepted.

Moved: ID Seconded: LB

Passed: Unanimous

Confirmation of Minutes and Signature of the Chairman

Business arising from Minutes

None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – *Michael Oboler FGAA*

[Michael Oboler FGAA...](#)

[President – Victorian Division](#)

The President read his annual report. See attached report.

Motion: Moved and record with acclamation the President's report be accepted.

Moved: GH **Seconded:** KK
All those in favour: Unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Laura Brehaut

Tabled and copies available for members present.

Please see the Financial Report and Minutes from the GAA VIC General Meeting , March 2024 for the 2024 financial forecast.

Motion: That the Financial Statements and Reports be adopted.

Moved: KK **Seconded:** RB

All those in favour: Unanimous

Motion of thanks for all the work - KK & ID

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2024

The outgoing president, Michael Oboler, declares all positions vacant.

Katrina Marchioni (HLM) takes the chair while office bearers for 2024 are appointed.

Nominations received prior to the meeting.

President

Nomination: **Michael Oboler**

Nominated by Ian Dun Seconded by Grant Hamid

With no other nominations from the floor, Michael Oboler was duly elected President for 2024.

Vice-Presidents (2 positions):

Nomination: **Ian Dun**

Nominated by Michael Oboler. Seconded by Grant Hamid

Nomination:

Nominated by . Seconded by

Moved: **Seconded:**

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With no other nominations from the floor Ian Dun was elected as Vice Presidents.

Secretary Stacey Lim

was nominated as Secretary.

Nominated by MO Seconded by

With no other nominations from the floor, was elected as Secretary.

Honorary Treasurer

Laura Brehaut was nominated as Treasurer

Nominated by Grant Hamid Seconded by Paul Whitaker

With no other nominations from the floor Laura Brehaut was elected as Honorary Treasurer.

Committee Members (10):

Nominations for committee :

Jacinta Mainstone – Nominated by GH Seconded by ID

Grant Hamid – Nominated by Laura Brehaut. Seconded by Paul Whitaker

Cheryl Paton – Nominated by Ian Dun. Seconded by Laura Brehaut

David Heiderich – Nominated by Laura Brehaut. Seconded by Adele Stachiw.

Marg Martell - Nominated by Grant Hamid. Seconded by Laura Brehaut

Katriona Marchioni - Nominated by Laura Brehaut. Seconded by Grant Hamid

Kathryn Wyatt – Nominated by . Seconded by.

Chris Holdsworth – Nominated by . Seconded by

Dorothy Ng – Nominated by Laura Brehaut. Seconded by Grant Hamid

Stacey Lim – Nominated by . Seconded by

Katherine Kovacs - Nominated by GH Seconded - JM

As there were no other nominations, the eight persons listed above were elected to the committee.

Public Officer – Association Secretary

Ronnie Bauer was nominated for Association Secretary

Nominated by Laura Brehaut. Seconded by Grant Hamid

General Business

Requirement of Victoria from other states to continue to improve work health and safety.... Check Recording for more detail.

Federal Mini Conference, Marking weekend & Full Federal Conference in 2025. Plenty of work to do for the next 12 months.

MO contacted the GAA President and felt it unfair for the WA members to fly on the Red eye and then work on the 1st day of conference. Federal executive agreed that GAA will cover accommodation for Thursday evening (extra night)

Working with Federal on Logo and Decal usage. Some process but hope some approvals will be finalised before the Federal AGM



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Gemmological Association of Australia

Victorian Division

Q from Ronnie about the need for Charity registration with ACNC. ATO requires that any
Org that has held - RB question. Answered by LB

Close of Meeting: 6:50 p.m.