

MEDICAL SCIENTISTS ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
26 OCTOBER 2022
RMH – Latrobe Lecture Theatre
MINUTES

Meeting Opened: 12:38pm

1. Opening of Meeting by President

Cathy Durkin opened the meeting, on behalf of President Max Coey and thanked members for their attendance. She thanked staff of the MSAV for all their hard work during the year, and expressed thanks to all Committee of Management members for their time in attending MSAV Committee meetings during the year.

2. Minutes of MSAV AGM 20 October 2021

It was **Moved:** Paul Elliott **Seconded:** Maria Bisignano

That the minutes of the MSAV AGM dated 20 October 2021 are a true and accurate record of proceedings. **CARRIED**

3. Welcome & Address by Secretary, Paul Elliott.

Paul Elliott thanked everyone for their attendance and read his Secretary's Report. He thanked members of staff, committee of management and union reps for their hard work during the year representing member's interests in the workplace.

He reported that the EBA has been approved by the membership in a vote and is now waiting to be ratified by FWA. He also thanked staff and members for their hard work in helping to achieve this.

Paul reported on the addition of new staff member/industrial officer of the MSAV Angus Middleton and welcomed him to the team. He also thanked Heidi Brown (Industrial officer) who left the MSAV, for all her work while employed at the MSAV and wished her well in her new employment.

He also thanked former committee member Maria Bisignano for being a longstanding member of the MSAV Committee of Management and thanked her for her time and hard work while on Committee.

Paul also reported that he will not be re nominating as Secretary of the MSAV and will be standing down from this role. He thanked everyone for their support over the years and expressed it has been an honour and pleasure to represent members during this time as Secretary.

4. Receive the Annual Finance Report and the Auditor's Statement for the year ended 30 June 2022

Report Tabled.

It was **Moved:** Peter Wells **Seconded:** Rosemary Kelly

That the Annual Finance Report and the Auditor's Statement for the year ended 30 June 2022 be received. **CARRIED**

5. Adopt the Annual Finance Report and the Auditor's Statement for the year ended 30 June 2022

It was **Moved:** Peter Wells **Seconded:** Eileen Kelly

That the Annual Finance Report and the Auditor's Statement for the year ended 30 June 2022 be adopted noting the error on page 3 in Accumulated Surplus column showing \$57,444 and correcting to \$620,513. **CARRIED**

6. Election of Committee of Management Positions

It was **Moved:** Eileen Kelly **Seconded:** Maria Bisignano

That Paul Elliott be appointed Returning Officer for elections of positions on MSAV Committee of Management, and announces position nominations and names. **CARRIED**

Paul Elliott, Returning Officer declared the following members elected to the named positions unopposed.

2022 MSAV Committee of Management

President	Catherine Durkin
Vice President	Max Cowey
Secretary	Matthew Hammond
Assistant Secretary	Lisa Alcock
Treasurer	Peter Wells
Ordinary Member	Eileen Kelly
Ordinary Member	Sofie Modulon
Ordinary Member	Vanessa Panettieri
Ordinary Member	Celia Talbot
Ordinary Member	Sara Sujansky
Ordinary Member	Gemma Brett

7. Appoint the Auditors for the next financial year 2022-2023

It was **Moved:** Peter Wells **Seconded:** Matt Hammond

That BGL Partners be appointed as Auditors for the 2022-2023 financial.

CARRIED

8. Appoint members to the Medical Scientists Classification Review Panel

It was **Moved:** Matt Hammond **Seconded:** Paul Elliott

That Eileen Kelly, Scientist, Royal Childrens Hospital, be appointed to the Medical Scientists Classification Review Panel.

CARRIED

9. Jim Alcock Awards – Presentation – Member of the Year

Lisa Alcock presented the Jim Alcock Award.

This Annual General Meeting of the MSAV awards the Jim Alcock Member of the Year Award to Sara Sujansky, from Monash Health, for her help and representation of scientists in her workplace, and for her outstanding leadership of members in the workplace.

9. Rosemary Kelly Presentation Quit Nukes - MAPW

This AGM meeting of the MSAV recognises the devastating humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons, whether deliberate or by accident, and endorses the resolution passed by the National Council of the Health Services Union in November 2018, as set out below.

This AGM meeting of the MSAV:

1. Calls on the Australian Government to immediately sign and ratify the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) as per ALP National Policy
2. Urges HESTA and AWARE Super, which both have significant numbers of members employed in health and community services, to immediately divest from all investments in companies that produce nuclear weapons or componentry across the whole of their portfolios

And requests the Secretary to write to the relevant bodies advising them of this resolution.

Moved: Rosemary Kelly

Seconded: Peter Wells

Carried Unanimously

National Council of the Health Services Union Resolution November 2018

The HSU Acknowledges the devastating humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons, whether deliberate or by accident.

Acknowledges that health workers would be among the first to respond to a nuclear attack. Most hospitals and support services would be rendered non-functional.

Supports a nuclear-free defence policy for Australia. Nuclear weapons are inherently indiscriminate and inhumane. Their existence and policies for their use threaten the security of all.

Notes and welcomes the adoption of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) at the United Nations in 2017 as a significant step towards the elimination of nuclear weapons.

Congratulates the Australian-founded International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons for their role in bringing about the TPNW, for which they were awarded the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize.

Calls on the Australian Government to sign and ratify the TPNW as a matter of urgency.

Meeting Closed: 1:35pm