



AGM Meeting - Minutes

Date: 15 August 2017

Venue: Pullman International Hotel, 17 Abbott St, Cairns

Time: 5.24pm

ATTENDANCE

Per attendance sheet.

APOLOGIES

Stephen Catchpoole

David Geddes

Cris Brack

Phil Pritchard

Gary Bacon

Peter Rutherford

1. Attendance and Apologies

The President Rob de Fégely opened the AGM and welcomed members.
Apologies were noted as listed above.

2. The minutes of the 2016 AGM held in Mt Gambier were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

3. The President Rob de Fegely delivered his final report as IFA President announcing that he would finish his term as IFA President. Rob provided a brief history of his journey with the IFA as President. Various initiatives were developed such as the Future Foresters Initiative, HRH Prince of Wales award, meeting of kindred international associations, MOU with Chinese society, scholarship funds and improved processes for the NW Jolly Medal and fellows. Priorities for 2017-18 will be RPF and ACFA. Rob thanked all those who have supported him during his times as President of the IFA. Bob Gordon thanked Rob for his time and effort.

4. IFA CEO Bob Gordon presented the Annual Report and 2016-17 Financial Statements. The 2017 financial statements and reports we adopted.

5. MCS Accounting were appointed IFA Auditors for 2017-18.

6. Election of IFA Board Directors

Nominations for board positions were received from:

Dr. Stuart Davey, Mr. Robert (Bob) Gordon, Dr. William (Bill) Jackson, Mr. Denis O'Bryan

Each candidate was provided the opportunity to present a short summary of themselves.

Denis O'Byran was not present at the meeting. Rob de Fegely read out his bio.

Elections were conducted. Proxies were counted and members present voted.

Results of election process: Dr. Stuart Davey 94 votes, Mr. Bob Gordon 99 votes, Dr. Bill Jackson 98 votes, Mr. Denis O'Bryan 7 votes.

Appointed directors were Dr. Stuart Davey, Mr. Bob Gordon and Dr. William Jackson.

7. General Business

7.1 Digitizing IFA newsletters and conference proceedings. The IFA commits to digitizing IFA newsletters from 1951 to 2003 and all IFA conference proceedings at the earliest possible time. Motion adopted.

7.2 Other general business – RPF was raised as an area which members were keen to further develop. Noted. Bob Gordon outlined that work has already commenced under Gary Featherston as Chair of the RPF Committee.

President closed AGM at 6.29pm