

PACCOA AGM Tuesday 7 December 2021

Present: Sharon Wilson (NT), Daniel Lang (NSW), Yolanda Sanders (NSW), Zie Devereux-Martyn (Tas), Damien Kavanagh (Vic), Karen Bailey (Qld), Di Podetti (Qld), Tony Shillabeer (SA), Liz Moore (Tas), Jo Hickey (Qld), Beth Van Baast (NSW), Lisa Hoyle (Tas), Nick Smith (NSW)

Apologies: Alicia Murphy (SA), Mel Forsyth (ACT), Adam Grice (Qld), Kristy Herbert (WA)

Meeting commenced 7:07pm and chaired by Tony Shillabeer.

Acknowledgement of traditional custodians of the many lands on which we meet today, and respects paid to elders past, present and emerging.

Minutes of previous AGM - moved by Karen Bailey, seconded by Di from Queensland, and endorsed by all present.

President's Report: Yolanda read the President's report which had been circulated earlier and will be attached to the Minutes. She made special note of the great loss of Kerry Thomas, PACCOA national Secretary at the time of her recent and untimely death. PACCOA owes Kerry a debt of gratitude for her outstanding efforts on our behalf. Report moved by Yolanda, seconded by Dan and endorsed by all.

Tony moved a vote of thanks to Yolanda and noted that PACCOA will be hard pressed to find anyone to fill her shoes in her exceptional and stylish manner!

Treasurer's Report: Karen read the Treasurer's Report for 2020-2021, a copy of which will be attached to the Minutes. Noted that airline credits for Kerry will now not be able to be recouped. A profit of over \$100,000 for the year was noted. Karen moved the report, seconded by Zie and endorsed by all. Tony thanked Karen for her ongoing efforts doing a sterling job in the important role of Treasurer.

Membership Coordinator's Report: Di Podetti provided the Membership Report, a copy of which will be attached to the Minutes. An impressive 11% increase in membership for the year was noted with a total of 724 members around the country now.

Election of 2022 Delegates and Sub Delegates - Tony handed this section of the meeting over to Liz to chair (as she is not standing for office again).

2021 Delegates and Sub Delegates from each jurisdiction formally stood down from their roles and the following nominations were received from each jurisdiction and, therefore, elected unopposed:

NSW - Delegate - Daniel Lang, Sub Delegate - Beth Van Baast
Queensland - Delegate - Karen Bailey, Sub Delegate - Adam Grice
Northern Territory - Delegate - Sharon Wilson, Sub Delegate - Alexander Potter
South Australia - Delegate - Alicia Murphy, Sub Delegate - Tony Shillabeer
Western Australia - Delegate - Kristy Herbert (YAY!!), Sub Delegate - remains VACANT
ACT - Delegate - Mel Forsyth, Sub Delegate - remains VACANT
Tasmania - Delegate - Lisa Hoyle, Sub Delegate - Zie Devereux-Martyn
Victoria - Delegate - Damien Kavanagh (YAY!!), Sub Delegate - remains VACANT.

A special welcome to new Delegates from WA and Victoria, where PACCOA has not had representation recently (WA) and for for some time (Vic). These new appointments cement PACCOA as a truly national organisation, with representation from all jurisdictions, although we still have three vacancies for Sub Delegates around the country.

Meeting handed back to Tony Shillabeer as Chair.

Other business:

Member Subcommittee:

Additional help from members to the Executive Committee was encouraged during the year. Daniel Lang and Beth Van Baast came on board to assist with social media / IT and the PACCOA newsletter, and both also ably assisted with the Conference. A Sub Committee structure for projects enables PACCOA to encourage members from each state to become involved in whatever projects inspire their passion, within the overall PACCOA governance structure.

Sub Committees are not voting members or Delegates of the Exec but are aligned with the goals of PACCOA, and the Exec is keen to continue to share the workload in this way in the future. Sub Committees report through a Delegate or Sub Delegate, and a report of their progress should be noted at each AGM, as well as regular updates at monthly meetings.

The PACCOA Live-On-Line Sub Committee was born as a result of PACCOA Conference 2021 and can be overseen by a Delegate (in this case, Yolanda) to ensure that it is driven in alignment with the Constitution and the goals of PACCOA.

Delegates and Sub Delegates are encouraged to ask members in their jurisdictions if there are projects of interest that they wish to become involved with in this way.

The election of national Office Bearers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Coordinator, Social Media Coordinator and Public Officer) will occur at the first meeting of the new PACCOA Exec, to be held immediately following this meeting.

Meeting closed at 7:54pm EDST.