

AGM MINUTES

**Mathematical Association of Western Australia (Inc)
Annual General Meeting**

Location: MAWA Office, 12 Cobbler Place, Mirrabooka

Date/Time: Tuesday 16 May 2017 @ 6.15 pm

Preceded by refreshments @ 5.30 pm

1. Opening of Meeting

Meeting opened at 6:15PM.

Welcome to Mario and Holly.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendees

See registration sheet.

Apologies

Lorraine Day
Lesley Stoffels
Joan Burfitt
Anne-Marie Benson

3. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting

No amendments.

Mover: Dr Jack Bana
Seconder: Dr Norm Hoffmann

Minutes accepted without dissension.

4. Presentation of Annual Report by the President

Profit up. Net assets value up.

Office costs down.

Revenue up mainly due to Secondary Convention.

Increase in use and impact of social media.

Lower insurance costs.

Better printer/photocopier deal.

Changeover from MYOB to Xero.

Login to Xero can be done from outside MAWA Office and on mobile devices.

Xero provides more details for financial transactions.

Mario customised the standard Xero financial report for MAWA use.

Healthy balance sheet needed to provide MAWA services rather than just to increase cash reserves.

A long way to go in terms of increasing MAWA's profile in the community.

More MAWA professional officers to be employed to meet emerging needs.

Secondary convention: New venue for 2017.

Record number attendance for 2016 Convention.

STEM Consortium is working well.

Strengthen relationships with STAWA and ECAWA.

Planning for the STEM conference in September 2017 is well under way and looks promising.

Student activities are running well.

MTQ on a state basis and WAMPSP incorporated into MAWA.

Review of MAWA vision, mission and strategic goals.

More work required to strengthen links with community and other stakeholders.

Membership fee structure has been reviewed and will be implemented from July 2017.

Inclusion of STEM primary school membership category in new MAWA

Constitution. Should increase primary school institutional membership into the 100's.

AAMT projects (such as maths 300) coming on-line for MAWA involvement.

MAWA to be involved in providing PL activities for out-of-area maths teachers.

Comments from members:

AGM meeting 2 years ago was gloomy. Appreciation expressed for a more positive AGM this year and the efforts of the Committee.

Suggestions from the floor:

We could boost our image for primary teachers by establishing an electronic catalogue of MAWA library. MAWA should foot the bill initially for postage of library books to regions.

MAWA could provide a teacher help service by dealing with queries by email.

5. Treasurer's Report

Revenue from new course resources and membership is dropping.

Julie will retire as MAWA Treasurer after the AGM. She has been in the role for 3 years.

A vote of thanks to Julie was passed from the meeting attendees.

6. Amendments to the MAWA Constitution (see attachment)

Rom went through each change. Asked for any objections or changes.

A query was raised about the level of AAMT constitutional content.

Sharing the same financial rules AAMT/MAWA via the Constitution was one reason for this.

Institutional membership requires further changes to clauses.

Unease expressed about doing it on the fly or on the run.

Special AGM by email needed.

2 ways proposed to finalise the new Constitution.

6.1 Define a member more clearly to prevent moving around the new Constitution document.

6.2 Deal with small changes (from emails).

Increasing the number of active members was the main driver of giving institutional members more rights.

The difference between financial member versus member was thought to be unclear and needed attention especially as there was no definition of a financial member.

5.1.2.2. to be reviewed.

There be will anomalies in any document. One way forward was to forget clause number referrals and simply add the relevant information.

Change the wording of a clause often resulted in follow on changes required elsewhere. This needed to be checked.

Removal of some day-to-day duties from President to Exec Officer.

Reference to Council to be changed to Committee.

If Exec officer is not available for a scheduled meeting, may appoint a deputy for the Exec Officer or change the meeting date so the Exec Officer can attend.

If a committee member is unable to attend a meeting, a report must still be submitted. Active participation of the Committee by members is required even if a Committee member is unable to attend a meeting.

Formation of sub-committees. The need to progress the strategic goals of MAWA acknowledged.

Was an AGM required to change the strategic goals of MAWA? (No reference to strategic goals in constitution. Strategic goals are an operational matter.

The chair of each sub-committee to submit a written report of the sub-committee's actions.

The Constitution should not dictate this, rather the Committee dictates this.

Wording relating to the appointment of AAMT councillor queried. Exec Committee to decide.

The Exec will appoint one of its member as the AAMT councillor.

Acting AAMT councillor to not make any binding decisions at the AAMT meeting.

4 year break between 4 year terms for AAMT councillors.

Motion to endorse.

Mover: Barry Kissane

Seconder: Adam Inder

Endorsed.

Adam's motion for Rachael to begin as Exec Officer. 4 month extension amendment. Priority for Committee. Heaping more work on Rachael was a concern.

7. Presentation of Honorary Life Members

Rom Cirillo Citation

Presented by Dr Jack Bana.

Greg Hurn Citation

Presented by Richard Korbosky.

8. Election of New MAWA Committee (Board)

Treasurer → Richard K

Pres Elect → Paula Mac

Committee -> Peter, Leslie, Greg, Jack, Wendy, Rachael, Emma, Patricia Paxton

Pres → Rom 1 more year, and then moves to immediate past President role for 1 year.

9. Vote of thanks to outgoing Committee members

Julie

Adam 2 years

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10. General Business (if any)

11. Closure

Meeting closed at 8:45pm