



## Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Society

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (2010)

2009 Annual General Meeting of AMMS Inc. held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2010 during the AMMS-UTS workshop on “Introduction to Transmission Electron Microscopy”.  
Venue: University of Technology Sydney (UTS).

Meeting declared open by the President of AMMS Dougal McCulloch. The meeting was declared open following confirmation of a quorum - Clause 13.1 of the Constitution states that a minimum of 20 members are required, the names of 36 were present and recorded. A full list of those present is available from the Secretary.

The members were informed that the meeting was being recorded to assist in the preparation of the minutes.

Start: 16:25hs

Finish: 17:55hs

#### 1. APOLOGIES

No apologies received.

#### 2. AGENDA

Members advised the purpose of the meeting (EC) is to receive the audited accounts for the preceding financial year. All other matters (including accepting the minutes from the 2009 EC meeting, election of office bearers will take place at the full meeting at ACMM-21 (July 2010).

#### 3. MINUTES

Motion: Minutes from the 2009 AGM be accepted (Nester Zaluzec (NZ))

*Seconded:* Colin Veitch

*Carried:* unanimously

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING

None

#### 5. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Peter Miller (Secretary) presented and discussed the *Financial Report, including the audit report and auditors report to special interest groups* for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009 with members of the EC.

Highlights from the Presidents report included:

- Income and expenditure. Details are in the audit and are not recorded here. Expended approximately \$28k more than in previous years AMMS. This exception was due to seed funds for ACMM-21 and ACMM-22; that is, normally only one lot of seed funding is out-going every two years. Other seed funding was due to sponsorship of EMU exhibition (\$3,500). Spent about \$29k more than revenue.
- Newsletter is cost neutral. New Newsletter more expensive (approx x3). For past four issues, the profit of the new format approximates that of the older format; this is due to increased advertising with the new format. (refer to item on Newsletter for more detail).
- Special Interest Groups income has increased; this is mainly due to the success of the last AMAS meeting (refer to report for details).
- Amount of Society funds has reduced slightly but remains healthy (refer to report for details).

*Questions:* None.

*Comments:* NZ congratulated the Treasurer (PM) on the financial state of AMMS. This was supported by other members.

**MOTION:** Peter Miller (PM)

The members of the AMMS accept the "*Financial Report, including the audit report and auditors report to special interest groups*" for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

*Seconded:* Ken Moran

*Carried:* Unanimously

#### 6. NEWSLETTER – Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Newsletter.

The President reiterated the success of the new format. Members stated from the floor that they appreciated the new format and thought it was a significant improvement. Members were advised that the Executive Committee (EC) approved that the new format continue for this year (2010).

#### 7. CONFERENCES

DM outlined the forthcoming meetings. DM also advised members that developments relating to the conferences will be communicated via the Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Newsletter. The conferences identified were (i) ACMM-21 (July 2010) and (ii) APMC-ACMM 22 Perth February 2012; (iii) IMC-18 bid (for 2010). Angus Netting (president of AMAS) advised that the next AMAS meeting will be held in Canberra (ANU) in February 2011. Due to shortage of time, detailed discussions were not held.

**8. WEB SITE**

Discussion post-poned for full AGM to be held at ACMM-21 in Brisbane in July 2010.

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

9.1 Science Meets Parliament.

DM stated that expressions of interest (EOI) are now welcomed, EOIs should be directed to the Secretary of AMMS. July 2010.

9.2 President congratulated Ric Wuhler on the organisation and success of the AMMS-UTS Workshop "Introduction to Transmission Electron Microscopy".

9.3 President acknowledged Nestor's (NZ) contribution to the workshop.

9.4 President congratulated Flame Burgman for the organisation and production of the AMMS calendar. He also thanked NanoTechnology for their financial support.

**10. NEXT MEETING:** ACMM-21 Brisbane 2010, specific date and venue to be announced.

DM: Dougal McCulloch

AH: Alex Hyatt

PM: Peter Miller