



Australian Microscopy and Microanalysis Society

2023 AMMS Special General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday 4th September 2023 at 12:30pm (Melbourne time)
Venue: via Zoom (meeting ID 810 4132 1638)

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1. Members present

Louise Cole (President AMMS), Eric Hanssen (Past President), Amy Bottomley (Treasurer), Sarah Ellis (Secretary), Karsten Goemann (TAS state rep), Nigel Waterhouse (Qld state rep), Ellie Cho (VIC state rep), Paul McMillan (LMA President), Georg Ramm (CryOZ President), Luke Wensing (Public Officer), Hamish Brown (AMMS STA Rep), Felipe Kremer (ACT state rep), Elaine Miller on behalf of Zakaria Quadir (WA state rep), Cameron Nowell (Website Editor), Colin Veitch (Publications Officer), Jamie Riches, Kaelev Makeveli, Sarah Creed, Pamela Young, Simon Hager, Liisa Hirvonen.

1.2. Apologies

Jeremy Shaw (VIA president), Ashley Rozario (Student Rep), Jing Fu (FIB President)

2. INTRODUCTION

2.1. Louise Cole provided background information

- The AGM for the election of AMMS Executive members and Office Bearers is usually held at the biennial conference during even numbered years.
- Due to COVID, the next conference, APMC13/ACMM28, has been pushed back to 2025 and no longer aligns with the election.
- To overcome this, a new clause needs to be inserted in the Constitution to align the election with the conference.
- The new clause is: **“if conditions prevail that would hinder the operations of the Association, those elected or confirmed at an AGM may agree to extend their Term of Office for a period determined by the Office Bearers. Any vacancy so caused may be filled by the Executive Committee (see sections 8.3 and 9.1)”**
- It will be inserted as 10.3(v) in the Constitution
- If this clause is accepted the current AMMS Executive members who were elected at the AGM in 2022 will be invited to continue their term of office until the AGM in 2025

Motion: that the new clause be accepted.

Proposed: Louise Cole.

All in favour, no objections.

Meeting closed at 12:36pm