

Architecture Alumni Association Council, University of Sydney

## MINUTES OF AGM

5.00pm, 14 April 2009, in Room 308, Wilkinson Building

Present: Michael Neustein (chair), Ken Woolley, Tim Osborne, Varoujan Bedrossian, Brian Griffin, David Turner, John Elliott, Julia Wilson (returning officer), Glen Hill, Nic Moore, Vesna Trobec, Lise Maddocks, Warren Julian, Deborah Dearing, Jill Bonnes, Samba ???

AGENDA – Revised at suggestion of MN at beginning of AGM:

1. To consider the President's annual report;
2. To consider the Treasurer's annual report and accounts;
3. To elect members of the Council;
4. To consider the proposed amendments to be made to the Constitution of the Association (a list of changes is included herewith as well as a copy of the existing constitution);
5. To consider any general business of which seven days notice has been given.

### MATTERS

0. Quorum attained – 16 association members present
1. President's Report:
  - MN presented the president's report in writing
  - No questions for the president
  - MN put the motion that the president's report be accepted as written
  - VB seconded motion
  - Motion passed unanimously
2. Treasurer's Report:
  - VB presented the report in two parts
    - Operating accounts – around \$5 000 in liquid funds. VB indicated this sum would need to be built up to enable the Association to continue to carry out its 'normal' activities
    - Bursary funds – \$25k in the bursary fund. VB indicated that while all the recipients of funds awarded on the basis need had indeed been worthy, the fund would become quickly depleted if the council did not either restrict the outgoings or undertake a fund-raising drive
  - No questions for the treasurer
  - MN put the motion that the treasurer's report be accepted as written
  - DT seconded motion
  - Motion passed unanimously
3. Election of Members of council
  - JW acting as returning officer
  - One nomination received for position as president – MN. MN duly elected as president
  - One nomination received for position as treasurer – VB. VB duly elected as treasurer
  - One nomination received for position as honorary secretary – TO. TO duly elected as secretary
  - Four other nominations had been received for members of council – LM, DT, KW and BG. All individuals duly elected as members to council
4. Motion on notice to consider amendments to the AAA constitution
  - MN summarised the amendments to the AAA Constitution, as per the motion on notice for the AGM, as follows:
    - Name changes to align the name of the Association with the faculty name;
    - Other minor changes to bring the constitution into line with the existing activities and management of the association and the council;
    - The amendments were determined by MN and VB

- The ARO template constitution was consulted but it was decided that reworking the existing constitution would be more advisable
- MN asked the AGM if there were any objections to move all amendments in one motion – there were no objections.
- MN moved a motion for the AGM to accept the proposed amendments to the constitution as per the motion on notice
- DT seconded the motion
- Motion passed unanimously

5. General business
- No general business

Meeting closed at 5.25pm.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2009