

IPTA NINETY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the 2017, Ninety-Eighth Annual General Meeting
of The Institute of Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys of Australia
held at the Crown Perth, Western Australia
at 4.00pm on Thursday, 27 April

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Chairman, Mr Jeremy Dobbin, declared the 98th Annual General Meeting open and welcomed members and visitors present.

2. NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

The notice and agenda of the meeting having been circulated were taken as read.

3. ATTENDANCE AND PROXIES**(i) Fellows Personally Present**

Allen, L K	Hind, R S	Patterson, E C
Angliss, M L	Hirsz, C S	Pippard, L D
Baddeley, R H	Hyland, A L	Port, M R
Beadle, D A	Jones, A R	Shoebridge, G I
Borham, J S	Kensett-Smith, B	Simonetta, G
Carter, C J	Landells, J S	Slattery, J M
Cowin, G L	Leslie, K	Slizys, D A
Davies, T J	Letters, T J	Smith, M A
Dobbin, J M	Lord, K E	Tadgell, D J
Friend, S R	Makrigiorgos, A H	Thoo, L W Y
Goodhew, C T	Newman, B S	Ward, A J F
Griziotis, G	Noonan, G J	White, R W
Gurr, G J	O'Brien, M E	York, S J
Heathcote, P R	Owens, C	

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3. **ATTENDANCE AND PROXIES** (cont)

(ii) Fellows Represented by Proxy

Bommer, C M	Philp, S C M
Lowe, A R	Williams, K R
Lunn, B A	Zammit, M D

(iii) Other Members Present

Blythe, M C	Gale, J	Newton, A
Cram, J R	Hvasanov, D	Jacobs, R J
Christie, A F	Mann, A M	Tsai, L

(iv) Visitors Present

Rousseau, M

4. **APOLOGIES**

Beniac-Brooks, V A	Lesicar, D	Sinclair, K J
Cherry, J W	McStea, J A	Tulloch, D L
Earley, M G	O'Donnell, M T	Webber, D B
Ferraloro, A	Roberts, M K	

5. **INDIVIDUAL WELCOME**

(i) Fellows at their First Annual General Meeting

Letters, T J

(ii) Other Members at their First Annual General Meeting

Blythe, M C	Hvasanov, D	Newton, A
Cram, J R	Mann, A M	Tsai, L

(iii) Overseas Members Present

Hirsz, C S	Thoo, L W Y	Letters, T J
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(iv) Visitors Present

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6. **REMEMBRANCE OF: DON BERRYMAN** (passed away 21 November 2016)
LYNETTE STEVENS (passed away 4 September 2016)
ROBERT STRICKLAND (passed away 25 April 2016)

Mr Dobbin advised that sadly three members of the Institute had passed away.

Mr Dobbin invited Mr Michael Angliss to the podium to speak of Mr Don Berryman; Mr Tony Ward to speak of Ms Lynette Stevens; and Ms Janelle Borham to speak of Mr Robert Strickland.

Mr Dobbin asked the meeting to observe a minute's silence in their memory.

7. **MINUTES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH (2016) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

It was moved by Mr Graham Cowin and seconded by Mr John Slattery that the minutes of the Ninety-Seventh Annual General Meeting held on Thursday, 14 April at the Sheraton Mirage Resort, Gold Coast, Queensland, having been circulated be confirmed.

Carried

8. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Nil.

9. **ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND REPORTS**

Mr R H Baddeley, Convenor of Finance & Secretariat Committee

Mr Richard Baddeley spoke to the 2016 Annual Accounts and Reports. There being no questions on the accounts, it was moved by Mr Richard Baddeley and seconded by Dr John Landells that the Annual Accounts and Reports for the financial year ending 31 December 2016 be accepted.

Carried

10. **ACTIONS OF COUNCIL**

Having given due notice under Article 40, it was moved by Ms Annabella Newton, and seconded by Mr David Hvasanov:

"That this Annual General Meeting of Members of The Institute of Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys of Australia sanctions and confirms the various acts of the Council during the Session 2016/2017 and declares that the same be deemed to be the acts of the Institute".

Carried

11. APPOINTMENTS

(i) Appointment of Auditor

Having given due notice under Article 40, it was moved by Mr Richard Baddeley and seconded by Ms Jennifer McEwan:

“That members re-appoint Mr Steven Bradby of PKF Melbourne as Auditor for the year ending 31 December 2017 and that the President of IPTA be authorised by members to sign an appointment letter on behalf of members.”

Carried

(ii) Appointment of Scrutineers for 2018

Messrs Roger Green, Colin Macauley, Mark Roberts and Ms Cherie van Wensveen were appointed scrutineers for 2018.

12. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

A copy of the Presidential Address is available on the IPTA website, members' section, www.ipta.org.au.

13. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

The Chairman declared that the nominations received for Office Bearers and Councillors were as follows:

President	Mr Richard Baddeley
Vice-Presidents	Mr Michael Caine Dr Trevor Davies
Councillors	Ms Janelle Borham Ms Christine Emmanuel Mr Greg Gurr Mr William Hird Dr Andrew Jones Dr John Landells Ms Jennifer McEwan Dr Damian Slizys Dr Grant Shoebridge Mr David Tadgell

As the nominations received for the positions of President and Vice-Presidents were equal to the number of vacancies a postal ballot was not required.

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Note: Mr Jeremy Dobbin will remain ex-officio a member of Council under Article 58.

The meeting congratulated Councillors on their election.

13. **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS** (cont)

Mr Dobbin thanked Ms Makrigiorgos and Mr Luxton for their contribution and time on Council and welcomed Mr William Hird and Dr Andrew Jones to Council. Mr Dobbin handed the chairing of the meeting to Mr Baddeley.

Mr Baddeley said it was an honour and a privilege to serve as President of the Institute. He has a very good Council and Secretariat to work with. He thanked Mr Dobbin for his great work as President.

14. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil report.

15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nil report.

16. **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

Mr Baddeley thanked members for their attendance at today's meeting and declared the meeting closed at 5.00pm.