



MINUTES, 17TH A.G.M. 2018

Draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at the Realm Hotel, Canberra, 4th May 2018.

by Edith Khangure (Deputy Secretary)

Item 1 - Opening & Welcome

The meeting was opened by the President, Dr David Fahey at 3-30pm. After welcoming all present Dr Fahey reminded everyone to sign the attendance and apologies sheets.

Item 2 – Attendance & Apologies

Attendance – I Howie-Willis (ACT), J Cheshire (VIC), E Khangure (WA), F Dunstan (NT), J Barker (WA), T Mayhew (NSW), D Fahey (NSW), S McEwan (VIC), A Mawdsley (VIC), N Mawdsley (VIC), J Pearn (QLD), P Copeland (VIC), M Sellar (VIC), D Bache (VIC), M Bache (VIC), S Moon (VIC), S Reeves (QLD), T Tiley (QLD), L Conn (NSW), N Conn (NSW), M Glozier (NSW), B Dawson (QLD), B Caslake (VIC), J Priest (VIC), V Pavlik (SA), P Kemp (QLD), P Lu (NSW), M Andrews (QLD), L Drew (VIC), E Lay (VIC), P Dixon (NSW), J Crennan (VIC), K Dansie (SA), N Dine (VIC),

Apologies – H Oxeer (WA), K Miller (NSW), J Spencer (NSW), C Schelfhout (WA), I Simpson (WA), K Young (WA), I Kaye-Eddie (WA), M Connelly (VIC), D Hulls (VIC), L Dansie (SA), J Marshall (SA), D Heard (SA), R Devere (QLD), G Fairfax (QLD), R White (NSW), D White (NSW), G Meijer (QLD), F Leditschke (QLD), J Butler (NSW),

Item 3 – Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the 16th Annual General Meeting of the St John Ambulance Historical Society of Australia held at the Hotel Grand Chancellor, 1 Davey Street, Hobart on Friday 28th April 2017 as previously circulated were accepted.

Moved D Fahey, Seconded T Mayhew - Carried

Item 4 - Matters arising from the minutes of the last AGM

There were no matters arising

Item 5 - President's annual report

The President formally tabled his report which had been previously circulated. He declined to read the whole report but noted the significant development in NSW with the establishment of a branch of the Historical Society. Thanks were due to Matthew Glozier as the new Chair and Trevor Mayhew as Deputy Chair.

Moved I Howie-Willis, Seconded J Pearn - Carried

Item 6 – Treasurer and Membership Secretary's annual reports

The Treasurer and membership Secretary formally tabled his reports which had been previously circulated. He noted that the balance sheet was an accurate description of what the Society owns and the difficulties of selling various items. A term deposit of \$12000.00 was secured with the Commonwealth Bank which would attract a higher rate of interest. He invited questions but there were none.

Moved S McEwan, Seconded K Dansie - Carried

Item 7 - Publications: journal, quarterly newsletter, on-line international journal



Before addressing his own report, Ian Howie-Willis thanked Stuart for his excellent work as Treasurer and Membership Secretary and invited the members present to show appreciation for Stuart's work. Applause.

Re *St John History* - Matthew Glozier edited vol 18 and it was again produced by Gabby Lhuede. *Pro Utilitate* has continued with Ian as its editor. *One St John* has 3 editions available on line with a fourth expected in July. Management of the journal remains with Australia as there is no current Librarian in London to discuss future options. Ian noted the problems which were being experienced by some in trying to locate the journal on the Order's website. A better position has now been allocated for it.

Moved I Howie-Willis, Seconded N Dine - Carried

Item 8 - Reports from states/ territories

The state and territory reports were formally tabled. The were from:

- * ACT & Priory Headquarters
- * New South Wales
- * Northern Territory
- * Queensland
- * South Australia
- * Victoria
- * Western Australia.

There was no report from Tasmania. Keith Dansie was available to answer any queries for South Australia in Brian Fotheringham's absence. There were no questions.

Item 9 - Other business

Dr Fahey invited Dr Conn, the Society's patron, to present some awards.

Dr Conn expressed how delighted he was to be patron and to present Life Membership awards to two distinguished members – Dr Allan Mawdsley and Prof John Pearn. The two recipients were invited to come up on to the stage whilst their citations were read after which James Cheshire passed the certificates to Dr Conn for presentation.

Priory had also asked Dr Conn to present John Pearn with a 7th bar to his Service Medal and a 4th bar to Ian Howie-Willis.

Dr Fahey asked for any other items.

Trevor Mayhew advised that he was working on a paper re St John and the Lt Horse Ambulance. Any information from other states would be appreciated.

Ian Howie-Willis encouraged everyone to consider papers for the next seminar in Melbourne, 2119. For himself he suggested the 1931 Centenary of the Order when delegations from around the world including Australia met. He also proposed that Gabby Lhuede might be the keynote speaker with a paper on 50 years of *Australian First Aid*. Keith Dansie advised that the South Australian Historical Society was celebrating 30 years this year and that John Pearn would be the guest speaker at a special event — a possible topic.

Ian asked that all suggestions be referred to either himself or Matthew who will offer advice if needed and then refer them on to James Cheshire. Dr Fahey thanked Ian.

Item 10 - Closing comments

Dr Fahey thanked everyone for attending and formally closed the Annual General Meeting at 4-20pm.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES 2018

Minutes of SJAHS Executive Committee Meeting held at the Realm Hotel, Canberra, 4th May 2018



by Edith Khangure (Deputy Secretary)

David Fahey opened the meeting at 4-55pm and advised that there was no formal agenda. Present at the meeting were David Fahey, Stuart McEwan, Allan Mawdsley, Ian Howie-Willis, James Cheshire, Edith Khangure, John Pearn and Bruce Caslake.

Apologies were received from Harry Oxe.

The Treasurer asked to raise two issues. Firstly, the term deposit matures in August 2018 & the executive has to decide on whether to roll it over. – Unanimously agreed by show of hands.

Secondly could the mailing labels we currently use have another line added showing the individual's subscription status? Ian advised that there were issues with labels & printing because of 'slippage' issues. It is a software problem & it would be better to stay with 14 per page. David suggested leaving this to Stuart's discretion. Stuart agreed to think the issue through again & ask if required. Ian thanked him for the current arrangement ie Stuart always sending him up to date labels.

David asked what proportion of members were receiving Historical Society publications by email. Stuart advised that c 40% were happy with email but that the remainder continue with hard copy. David reiterated that we should encourage electronic distribution wherever possible.

David asked if there were any other issues for comment or discussion.

James thanked Edith for chairing today's seminar & both Ian & John for the Priory Heritage Collection visit & the War Memorial Service & tour.

John asked about the 2019 National Member's Meeting & SJAHS Seminar in Melbourne - May? & about the St John Museum & its proposed redevelopment. Allan advised that the renovations would be taking place later in the year & should be finished before the next Society's seminar in 2019. James raised the issue of revisiting the Medical Museum or the Ambulance Service Museum.

Ian noted that several topics for papers had already been offered for next year's seminar including Paul Copeland on PTSD. He is also contacting Gabby Lhuede re the 50th anniversary of *Australian First Aid*. David queried whether we would have enough papers and whether we need a seminar theme. Ian suggested that our current mosaic format has something for everyone & that this tapestry approach serves the society well.

John suggested contacting EA Daley (previous Director of Training for St John) as a possible contributor.

There being no other business, David closed the meeting at 5-20pm.