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## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALIAN DIVISION OF THE ROYAL INSTITUTION OF NAVAL ARCHITECTS

Held at

Meeting Room, Perth Conference and Exhibition Centre, Perth WA, on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

### 1. OPENING

A quorum of more than 12 Corporate members being present, the Division President, Prof Martin Renilson, welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting of the Australian Division and declared the meeting open at 14.19hrs.

### 2. APOLOGIES

The Secretary reported that apologies had been received from Drs Prabhat Pal and Kim Klaka, Messrs Ross Hawke and Hamish Lyons. Additionally, apologies were recorded from Council members Assoc Prof Michael Woodward, Dr Tony Armstrong, Ms Danielle Hodge and Sue-Ellen Jahshan, and Messrs Mark Devereaux, Gerard Engel, Craig Hughes, Jesse Millar, Kalevi Savolainen, Karl Slater, Mark Symes, Matthew Williamson and the Treasurer Mr Craig Boulton.

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH 2016 AT THE OFFICES OF ENGINEERS AUSTRALIA, CHATSWOOD, NSW

The Minutes of the previous AGM were presented. The President and the Secretary, being the only persons present who had attended that meeting, assured the AGM that the minutes were a true and correct record of the previous AGM. The meeting unanimously accepted the minutes on this basis.

### 4. PRESIDENTS REPORT

The President introduced his report on the calendar year 2016 which had been circulated by email prior to the meeting. Copies were also made available in the room.

In relation to the Innovation Hub mentioned in the report, Mr Malcolm Waugh advised the meeting that a website had been established together with a liaison office in each State.

Mr Jim Black moved and Mr Yuriy Drobyshevski seconded THAT the President's Report be accepted.

Carried

5. RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2016

In absence of the Treasurer, Mr Craig Boulton, the Secretary Mr Rob Gehling introduced the audited Financial Statement for the calendar year 2016, as audited by W L Browne & Associates of Gordon NSW dated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 and received on the morning of the meeting. Mr Jim Black moved and Mr Kalevi Savolainen seconded THAT the Treasurer's Financial Report be received.

Carried.

6. APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL OF THE AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

The Secretary advised the meeting that in accordance with the Division's By-Laws, the following Council members would, at the end of the current AGM, reach the end of the terms for which they had been elected/appointed:

Mr Jim Black (WA)  
Mr Gerard Engel (Tas.)  
Ms Danielle Hodge (SA-NT)  
Mr Craig Hughes (WA)  
Mr Jesse Millar (Vic.)  
Mr Mark Symes (Tas.)  
Mr Matthew Williamson (WA)

The Secretary advised that, as a result of responses to the call for nominations for these vacancies, the following members had been declared re-elected:

Mr Jim Black (WA)  
Mr Gerard Engel (Tas.)  
Mr Jesse Millar (Vic.)  
Mr Matthew Williamson (WA)

The Secretary further advised that, following responses to the emailed call for expressions of interest in the remaining vacant positions, Council at its meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> February had appointed the following members to those vacancies:

Dr Walid Amin MRINA (Qld.)  
Mr David Gonzales Pastor FRINA (SA-NT)  
Mr Gordon MacDonald FRINA (Qld).

In accordance with the Division's By-Laws, a two-year term applies to all the incoming Council members.

The President thanked the retiring members for their service to Council.

The meeting noted these appointments.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Statement by The Chief Executive

Prof Renilson invited the Institution’s Chief Executive, Mr Trevor Blakeley, to address the meeting.

Mr Blakeley advised that the Institution’s web-site had recently been rebuilt to make it more user- and commercial-friendly to facilitate closer engagement with members. It was intended that the collective expertise of members would be made available through the MyRINA portal on which members could nominate their areas of particular expertise.

He further advised that in accordance with web-site features for the Council and Committees, a Forum would be established for the Australian Division Council and a Group into which Division members could submit comments.

As the meeting had no comments or questions, this item was closed.

7.2 AOG 2017 RINA Conference

The President thanked WA Section, in particular Mr Yuriy Drobyshevski and Ms Vesna Moretti, for their work done in hosting the AGM and arranging the technical programme of this successful Conference.

8. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President closed the meeting at 14.37hrs.

Signed as a true record

.....(Chairman)

.....(Date)

Prepared 13 March 2017