



## **METROLOGY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA Annual General Meeting**

**Date & Time:** 4:00 pm (Sydney Time) Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2016

**Place:** Two locations to be linked via videoconference,

1. NMI 36 Bradfield Rd, Lindfield, Room B20E,
2. NMI 1/153 Bertie Street, Port Melbourne VIC 3207.

Phone in facility available: **Dial +61 2 6243 2999** –ID code – enter **49007#**

### **Guest Speaker:**

Mr Bill Loizides, General Manager, NMI Legal Metrology Branch, spoke on “Strategic Issues for Legal Metrology” at the commencement of the meeting. Legal is a big Department in Australia – offices/staff spread country wide. Have to ensure effective compliance throughout Australia. Bill represents Australian legal metrology on the International committees also.

### **Agenda**

#### **Present**

Galina Sirant NMI  
Neville Owen NMI  
Paul McMullen NATA  
Daniel Turner NATA  
Randall Anderson APL  
Jane Warne BOM  
Ron Cook Retired

Geoff Clark AirNZ  
Cynthia Lendrum MSL  
Anne Evans Teltherm  
Martin Turner  
Damian Moran  
Daniel Burke NMIA

**Apologies:** Rai Pippia, Maree Stuart, Ilya Budovsky, Walter Giardini, Robert Crawford and Mary Ryan.  
Gavin Tasker

**Proxy forms** Gavin Tasker has appointed Anne Evans as proxy

#### **Minutes of previous AGM meeting 2015:**

Were circulated prior to the meeting and were not discussed

#### **Treasurer’s Report**

To come

202k in accounts at moment

Liabilities 40k Flomeko - 5k to go to Imeko for holding 2016 Flomeko conference

Damian to email the treasurers report once it is complete.

NZ Accounts in NZD Cheque \$NZ256.86, Savings \$NZ15636.10,

Look at use some of the Balance to spend on growing membership and supporting the next conference



## **Presidents Report**

Thanks to everyone who has helped run MSA this year

Also thanks to Khaled and his wife for running Flomeko

WMD in Wellington was a huge success – 75 people attended.

It was run as a training day and information and networking day – it helped MSA NZ to generate new memberships

Liam Shanahan – thanks for website and mail outs and blogs etc. Membership application now automated on the website

Progress being made on Brisbane2017

Walter Giardini is retiring from the committee

Marian Haire is retiring next year – many thanks to them both

## **Office bearers:**

There were no changes to the office bearers – please see list below

- *President:* Daniel Burke

- *Vice-President* – Martin Turner

- *Treasurer* – Damian Moran

- *Secretary* – Anne Evans

## **Ordinary Committee Members:**

Geoff Barnier (QLD contact)

Neville Owen (VIC/TAS contact)

Randall Anderson

Geoff Clark

## **Notes:**

NSW - Daniel, Martin, Damian

WA - no State Contact David Pack has retired

SA - Mark Histed has not been in contact

VIC - Jane Warne/Neville Owen

NZ – Geoff Clark Contact

## **General Business**

1. Communication – Focusing on website. Walter has retired and no longer able to do an email newsletter –Anne to see if we can get someone to coordinate a newsletter 10k per year budget agreed upon – also use the MSA website to send out the emails and consider occasional hard copy mail outs also.
2. Next Conference 12-14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in Brisbane  
NMIA to collate papers and these will be uploaded on to the website,
3. **Professional Metrology Qualification**  
Neville reported that this topic has been brought to the fore as metrology does not have a qualification / recognition. Neville suggests we model ours on the Engineers model, he will circulate a summary of his findings and circulate. Any qualification / recognition will involve an assessment process and that part of the process is daunting. Galina commented on her experience with this problem.



Discussion covered the subject that two classes of metrologist may need to be offered.

- 1) A senior experienced metrologist that can act as an industry consultant.
- 2) A skilled metrologist in bench top calibration with a recognised higher understanding of measurement.

It became apparent that our existing recognition of a Fellow may be adequate for the first item and that we may be best served by concentrating on the second item only at this stage. Also note that Paul McMullen described the potential for confusion in using the title 'Certified Metrologist' where the term Certified may describe something else related to calibrations and offered the possible title of a 'Recognised Metrologist'. More on this subject was circulated.

4. Thanks were minuted to Marian Haire and Walter Giardini for their wonderful support to MSA and we wish them well in retirement.
5. Meeting closed at 5.45pm