



## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

22 February 2021 at 7:00pm AEST

Via Zoom

### AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. To Confirm the Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 29 April 2019
3. To receive the reports from the Executive, including financial report pursuant to the Rules.
4. To elect office bearers and ordinary members of the National Committee:  
President  
Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Six (6) Ordinary Members.
5. To confirm nominees from State and Territory Committees
6. Other business

**1. Kerry - High Welcome, acknowledgement of Country**

**2. Sangeeta: formerly record attendance and note apologies:**

Attendances:

Kerry Weste  
Nat Wade  
Sangeeta Sharmin  
Jessica Bayley  
Cate Caldwell  
Eugene White  
Ella Furlong  
Cassi Bourke  
Katherine Hinton  
Naomi Gould  
Georgia Bur  
Madeline Bridgett  
Bianca Failla  
Phillip Tamingus  
Valerie Heath  
Christina Nguyen  
Madeleine Bridgett  
Nathan Kennedy  
Anthony Hallal  
Sarah Bartim  
Isobel Milnes  
Thomas Spencer

Apologies:

Leanne Smith  
Sophie Trevitt  
Sonali Serenviratne  
Natalia Szablewska  
Nicholas Stewart

**3. Confirm minutes of the AGM held on 29 April 2019**

Kerry moved. Nat seconded.

**4. To receive the reports from the Executive, including the financial report pursuant to the ALHR rules, noting that the Association has permission from NSW Fair Trading to have a combined 2020/2021 AGM and the reports are therefore combined reports.**

Kerry moved motion to receive the Treasurer's Report, the Secretary's Report and the President's Report. Sangeeta seconded.

Kerry spoke very briefly to President's report. Challenges due to Covid-32 members. Acknowledge key people – executive – thanks to Nat W chair of Disability sub-group and long serving member.

Advocate for anyone who is interested in running for ALHR to go for it.

Kerry thanked all EMC members and subcommittee chairs personally as well as broader ALHR members.

#### **5. To elect office bearers for the forthcoming year.**

Kerry moved that nominations received be accepted incl. late. Seconded.

Kerry to confirm that office bearers have been elected as follows:

- President: Kerry Weste
- Vice President: Natalie Wade
- Treasurer: Katherine Hinton
- Secretary: Sangeeta Sarmin

#### Ordinary Members EMC (x6)

1. Valerie Heath
2. Madeleine Bridgett
3. Naomi Gould
4. Anthony Hallal
5. Jessica Bailey
6. Nicholas Stewart

Confirm Nominees from state and territory committees:

- (i) ACT: Sophie Trevitt
- (ii) New South Wales: Nameeta Chandra; Manny Zhang; Jessica Elliott; Christine Nguyen, Sarah Bartrim
- (iii) Northern Territory: Isobel Milnes
- (iv) Queensland: Ella Furlong
- (v) South Australia: vacant
- (vi) Tasmania: Johanna Bryne & Grace Williams
- (vii) Victoria: Bianca Failla
- (viii) Western Australia: Georgia Kalyniuk; Zubayr Abrahams

Confirm appointments to thematic subcommittees

- (i) Business and Human Rights: Madeleine Bridgett; Dr Natalia Szablewska;
- (ii) Child Rights: Kerry Weste;
- (iii) Disability Rights: Natalie Wade;
- (iv) Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: vacant - recruitment underway;
- (v) Freedoms: Vacant - recruitment underway;
- (vi) Human Right Act; Naomi Gould;
- (vii) Indigenous Rights: Sonali Seneviratne; Johanna Byrne; Youth Chair, Lucarnus Patrick; (viii) LGBTI: Nicholas Stewart; Georgia Burke;
- (ix) Refugees: Jessica Bayley; Caitlin Caldwell;
- (x) Women and Girls: Cassandra Bourke and Leanne Smith

Valerie stand in for the Freedoms role. Madeline seconded.

**6. Any other business**

Kerry thanks all attendees.

Sangeeta Sharmin  
Secretary  
Australian Lawyers for Human Rights  
11 January 2021