

THE ASSOCIATION OF HYDRAULIC SERVICES CONSULTANTS AUSTRALIA (QLD) INC

MINUTES of the 2024 Annual General Meeting held on THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2024
at 6.00pm at Broncos Leagues Club, Fulcher Road, Red Hill

Attendance

Ashley Monson (*in the Chair*), Simon Lynch, Victor Cross, Michael Batton, Samson Kwok, Andrew Garden, Bruce Dan, Peter Talbot, Tom Wise, Dean Carter, Sean Bell, Josh Borthwick, Josh Oldham, Mike Ossipow, Mark Laverick, Scott Szucko, Shane O'Toole, Terry McKendry, Brian Lamb, Craig Richardson, David Mitmannsgruber, Chris Tritton, Jae Eichorn, Harrison Ralph, Fabiano Gondim, James Kasherman. Fox Environmental Systems, Halgan, Enware, Rehau, Stiebel Eltron, Saniflo, EJ, Geberit, Graf, Rheem, AGIG/APA, Kembla, RWC, Galvin Engineering, Hydroflow

1. **Opening**

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Ashley Monson, at 6.02pm as the necessary quorum was present.

2. **Apologies**

Jye Sakrzewski, Paul Funnell, Andrew Guthrie, Anthony Freeman, Tony Samorowski, Bruce Williamson, Gil Griffiths, Peter Downey, Greg Beavis, Ray Smith, Paul McKenna, Mark Kane, Dan Blines, Tony Austin, Ross Cochrane, Kristy Preston, George Searle, Rory O'Malley, Catalina Bermudez. All Valve Industries, Zip Elson

3. **Proxies**

Proxies had been received from: Dan Blines (in favour of the President); Tony Samorowski (in favour of Mike Ossipow); Ross Cochrane (in favour of Chris Tritton); Bruce Williamson (in favour of Victor Cross).

4. **Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting**

The Chair advised that the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting had been emailed to all members and had been published on the website. No alterations were noted. Moved K Crase, seconded C Tritton, that the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting, held on 12 December 2023, be accepted as a true and correct record of the business of that meeting. Carried unanimously.

5. **Chapter's Year-in-Review**

The Chair presented the highlights from the Management Committee's 2024 report and the full report will be published on the website. Moved K Crase, seconded J Borthwick, that the 2024 Year-in-Review report, as presented, be adopted. Carried unanimously.

6. **Audited Financial Statements**

The Chair referred members to the signed auditor's report for the year-ended 30 June 2024, as emailed to all members. These Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards. Moved P Talbot, seconded D Mitmannsgruber, that the audited financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2024, as tabled, be received and adopted. Carried unanimously.

7. **Appointment of Auditors**

Moved M Ossipow, seconded P Talbot, that Accru Rawson's Chartered Accountants be appointed as AHSCA Queensland Chapter's accountants and auditors for the 2024-2025 financial year. Carried unanimously.

8. **Amendments to Rules**

The Management Committee had reviewed the criteria for each grade of membership in the Rules and proposed minor updates to some of the criteria. Those changes were highlighted in the proposed new Rules as attached to the AGM papers. The Chair showed those updates

on the screen. There was no discussion. Moved, D Mitmannsgruber, seconded J Eichorn that the AHSCA Qld Chapter Rules be updated as per the marked-up copy issued with the AGM Notice. Carried unanimously.

9. **Election of Office Bearers**

Under the Rules of the Association, there is a requirement to have an election for the Management Committee positions each year. A formal election process was carried out. As per the Rules of the Association, the Chair declared all positions vacant.

President

One nomination was received by the closing date. Ashley Monson (MDA Engineers) was declared elected unopposed to the position of President.

Vice President

One nomination was received by the closing date. David Mitmannsgruber (Interior Engineering) was declared elected unopposed to the position of Vice President.

Secretary

One nomination was received by the closing date. Dean Carter (Floth) was declared elected unopposed to the position of Secretary.

Treasurer

One nomination was received by the closing. Shane O'Toole (Cushway Blackford & Associates) was declared elected unopposed to the position of Treasurer.

Committee Members

There are three committee member positions and nominations were received from Bruce Dan (Australian Fire Services Testing); Sean Bell (Bell Hydraulic Consulting) and Jae Eichorn (Walkerbai). These members are declared elected unopposed.

10. **General Business**

10.1 **Plumbing Contractor Invitations for 2024**

The Chair advised that, as per the Rules, this is a standing agenda item for each AGM so as to give the membership an opportunity to nominate plumbing contractors to be invited for the 2024 calendar year. Members were asked to email the Chapter with their suggestions. One suggestion was to approach these members in Victoria who have an office in Queensland.

10.2 **Continuous Membership Plaques**

20 years: Peter Talbot. 30 years: George Searle.

10.3 **Elevation to Life Membership**

The Management Committee recommended that Ken Crase be elevated to Life Member. As per the Rules, *"Life membership may be recommended by the Management Committee for any Full member deemed worthy by their action or contribution to the Association or hydraulic services profession. Such recommendations shall be ratified by a two-thirds majority vote at the Association's Annual General Meeting. Life members shall not be required to pay membership fees and shall be entitled to one vote at all general and annual general meetings."*

Moved P Talbot, seconded C Tritton, that Kenneth Crase be elevated to Life Member of the AHSCA Qld Chapter. Carried unanimously.

11. **Close**

The Chair thanked members for their attendance and participation in the 2024 Annual General Meeting and closed the meeting at 6.24pm.