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**MACARTHUR ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY  
MINUTES FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Held at UWS Campbelltown  
Building 30, Main Lecture Theatre  
Monday 15 Apr 2013 at 7.36pm

**1. OPENING OF MEETING, WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

The Annual General Meeting opened at 7.36 pm. Present were all members noted in the attendance register. The retiring President, Chris Malikoff, chaired the meeting and the Retiring Acting Secretary, Tony Law, was appointed to take the minutes.

Apologies were received from the following members: Graeme Bellamy, Noel Sharpe, George Cruikshank, Jenny Rombi and Peter Scott.

**2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2011**

The minutes were read by Tony Law.

A Motion: *"That the minutes be accepted as an accurate record of the 2011 Annual General Meeting,"* was moved Chris Malikoff, seconded Roger Powell, carried unanimously.

The President ordered that the minutes be filed in the Secretary's formal records.

**3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising.

**4. PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2011-2012**

The 2012 Annual Report was distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Chris Malikoff read the President's Annual Report. He thanked the Committee and other members who had contributed during the year, our Auditor Graeme Bellamy and the members who had attended meetings, observing sessions, fundraising events and assisted with public outreach.

The Annual Financial Reports by the Treasurer and Auditor were taken as read. Graeme Bellamy's audit report showed that the Society is in good shape with total assets of \$19943.90, compared with \$18,270.05 twelve months ago. Membership for the year peaked at 100, (an increase of 7 on last year) including three honorary members.

A Motion: *"That the Annual Reports presented by the President, Treasurer and Auditor be accepted,"* was moved Chris Malikoff, seconded Barry Moore, carried unanimously.

There was no business arising from the reports. The President ordered that the 2012 Annual Report be filed in the Secretary's formal records. The Annual Report will also form part of these minutes.

**5. PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

Chris Malikoff presented the following membership awards:

A Special Award, a Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Lloyd Wright for his 10 years service on the Committee.

Ten year badge: Henry Swierk (held from last year!)

Five year certificates: Wayne Harrison (post), Eddy Bagnall (post), Michael Clark (presented), Jessica Clark, (presented), Dana Clark (presented), Mohammed Baddah (post), Jennifer Rombi (collected by JR), Trevor Rhodes (post), Carol McVeigh (post), Anne Rhodes (post)

Fifteen year certificate: John Rombi, (George Cruikshank and Ursula Braatz not present and will be held for next General Meeting).

## **6. APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER**

John Rombi was endorsed by the meeting as Returning Officer and Chris Malikoff vacated the chair.

## **7. ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2012-2013**

John Rombi advised that nominations closed on 2<sup>nd</sup> April and only one nomination was received for each position. Accordingly, the following were each duly declared elected and the meeting endorsed each by acclamation:

President: Chris Malikoff; Vice-President: Tony Law; Secretary: Jack Goralewski; Treasurer: Barry Moore; Committee Members: Penny Reid, Stewart Grainger and Henry Swierk.

On behalf of the members, John Rombi congratulated the new committee and wished them well for the coming year. He then vacated the chair for the incoming President, Chris Malikoff.

## **8. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mention was made that a new report was included in the Annual reports, the Dharawal Observatory Project, by Roger Powell. This gives an update of the current situation.

Carol McVeigh and John Rombi are liaising with Vaughan Macefield, provost of UWS on a special 25 Birthday Celebration for UWS

## **9. CLOSE OF MEETING**

Chris Malikoff took the chair and thanked the members for their confidence in him. He congratulated the new committee and assured the members that the new committee will continue with their best efforts on behalf of the Society. He thanked the members for attending. The Annual General Meeting closed at 8.06 pm.

Members reconvened as a General Monthly Meeting, with a talk by Dr Jonti Horner (UNSW) on the "Rocks from Space".

*Tony Law  
Acting Secretary*

*17th April 2013*