ANZGITA
Australian & New Zealand Gastroenterology International Training Association

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MINUTES of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) for the YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2021

Held as an Internet Conference Call
on OCTOBER 11, 2021 at 6pm (AEDT)

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Members Present:

– Finlay Macrae (Chair)	– Tony Rahman	– David Russell
– Tony Clarke	– Barbara Hines	– Alan Studley
– Dianne Jones	– Darran Leyden	– Graham Hines
– Mark Norrie	– Michael Schultz	– James Toouli
– Peter Katelaris	– Tony Smith	– Brian Riedel
– Ian Roberts-Thompson	– Chris Hair	– Kathy McGee
– Jon Long	– Adrian Claydon	– Karen Kempin
– Frank Eastaughffe	– Lybus Hillman	– Alison Raitt

Guests Present:

– Thein Myint	– Vikash Sharma	– Kaspar Truninger
– Mai Ling Perman	– Brian Freestone	– Christina Higa
– Aminiasi Rokocakau	–	–

Apologies:

– Des Leddin	– Digby Cullen	– Sione Pifeleti

AGENDA

1. **Welcome from the Chair to Members and Visitors**
   The Chair, Prof Finlay Macrae, welcomed everyone to the meeting. He advised that following the AGM, which would include his review of activities, Dr. Christina Higa, Co-Director of the Pacific Basin Telehealth Resource Center at the University of Hawai'i, would speak on *One Ocean that Connects Us: Pacific Regional Partnerships in Tele-Education and Tele-Health.*

2. **Members' Apologies**
   Apologies are listed on the first page of these Minutes.

3. **Accept Minutes of 2020 AGM**
   Acceptance of the Minutes of 2020 AGM was proposed by Tony Clarke and seconded by Dianne Jones. Carried by electronic vote.

4. **Accept the reports of the officers of the Association**
   The reports of the Chair, Program Coordinator, Treasurer and Secretary & Public Officer were tabled. A motion to accept the reports was moved by Dianne Jones and seconded by Mark Norrie. Carried by electronic vote.

5. **Election of up to Six Directors**
   The terms of five directors (Dianne Jones, Peter Katelaris, Jonathan Long, Michael Schultz and Frank Eastaughffe) expired at the meeting. All except Michael Schultz, who was a casual appointment during the year, had been directors for six consecutive years. However, they were eligible to re-nominate following a resolution passed by the Board, as required by Clause 10.3.1(c).

   The notice calling for nominations to fill the vacancies accompanied the Notice of the AGM sent to all members. Five retiring directors' nominations – Dianne Jones, Peter Katelaris, Jonathan Long, Michael Schultz and Frank Eastaughffe – were received. They were the only ones received by the date for close-of-nominations (27 September). The Chair declared them elected as directors for a two-year term.

6. **Chairs Review and Recognition Awards**
   Finlay reviewed the year past and referred members to the Officers' Reports and all attendees to the Annual Report. He thanked all who had worked on the 'virtual' programs, donors, Board members and supporters from the medical industry and beyond. He then gave an insight into the activities in the current financial year and in post-COVID times.

   Peter Katelaris thanked Finlay for his leadership and considerable contributions to the success of ANZGITA since the first Fiji program in 2008. He believed he spoke on behalf of the meeting and everyone who has worked with Finlay over that period.

   Finlay announced recognition awards for Assoc Prof Alice Lee, Ms Kim West RN and Mr Barry Barford, formerly of Medical Aid for Oceania, for their outstanding contributions to ANZGITA's work over many years.

The Chair closed the meeting at 6.15pm.

…….. Chair ……. Date

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