
Australasian Study of Parliament Group

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

8 October 2005

**Legislative Council Chamber
Parliament House, Sydney**

Meeting

The meeting commenced at 11.45 am, with the Hon Kevin Rozzoli in the chair.

Apologies

Apologies were accepted from the Northern Territory chapter.

Minutes

The minutes of the annual general meeting held in Perth on 28 May 2004 were accepted by the meeting.

(Moved by John Mandy, Seconded by Ken Coghill)

Financial statement

The report provided by the Treasurer was accepted by the AGM.

(Moved by Anthony Marinac, Seconded by David Elder)

The meeting noted that the group had A\$35,000 in the bank and was in a healthy financial position.

Change to Constitution

The meeting agreed to amend section 29 of the Constitution by removing the words *New Zealand and*.

(Moved by Noni Malone, Seconded by Harry Philips)

Australasian Parliamentary Review

The editor presented her report, noting that circulation was growing. The meeting noted its appreciation of Stephanie Hancock's efforts in typesetting the journal.

Chapter reports

Chapters provided reports on membership levels and activities undertaken during the year.

Executive 2005-06

Ian Harris took the chair. The offices were declared vacant.

The meeting appointed Kevin Rozzoli as President.
(Moved Ken Coghill, Seconded John Mandy)

Kevin Rozzoli resumed the chair.

The meeting appointed Catherine Parkin as Secretary.
(Moved by Cheryl Samuels, Seconded by Elizabeth McLeay)

The meeting appointed Anthony Marinac as Treasurer.
(Moved by Paul Reynolds, Seconded by Noni Malone)

The meeting noted the following chapter representatives and alternates:

New South Wales	Cheryl Samuels	Susan Want
New Zealand	Mary Hay	
South Australia	Malcolm Lehman	
Tasmania	Shane Donnelly	Richard Herr
Queensland	Noni Malone	Paul Reynolds
Australian Capital Territory	David Elder	Max Kiermaier
Victoria	Ken Coghill	Judy Madigan
Northern Territory	Terry Hanley	
Western Australia	John Mandy	Dr Harry Philips

Research and other projects

The meeting noted that a workshop was to be organised to further explore the ministerial responsibility project.

The meeting agreed to support the project being undertaken by Monash University, Sydney University and the Commonwealth House of Representatives and Senate as appropriate, with the findings to be reported to chapters and a written report to be provided to each future conference.

(Moved by Ken Coghill, Seconded by Richard Herr)

2006 Conference

The meeting noted that 2006 conference would be held in Wellington, with the theme "Parliamentary control of the Executive: the people and the money".

Votes of Thanks

The meeting thanked the New South Wales Chapter for organising the 2005 Conference.

(Moved by David Elder, Seconded by Richard Herr)

The meeting thanked the President for his ongoing contribution to the work of the Group.

(Moved John Mandy, Seconded by Gillian Gould)

The meeting closed at 12.20pm.