

AUSTRALIAN CERAMIC SOCIETY



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 13th, 2015

Minutes: Judy Hart

With 7 Victorian members, 9 NSW members and 2 WA members participating in a videoconference the AGM commenced at 6:00pm.

Attendees: Chris Berndt, Richard Bowman, Brian Lynch, Dawn Kanost, Jeff Sellar, Mitchell Sesso, Martin Stuart (VIC)

Cameron Chai, Daniel Gregg, Judy Hart, Cathy Inglis, Michael LaRobina, Dan Pereira, Alan Todhunter, Lou Vance, Jing Xu (NSW)

Ian Davies, Thomas Ludwig (WA)

Apologies: Yi-Bing Cheng (VIC)

Alyssa Taylor, Rob Aughterson (NSW)

Jim Low (WA)

Minutes of Last AGM

It was moved that the minutes of the last AGM be accepted as a true record of that event

Proposer: Cathy Inglis

Seconder: Brian Lynch

President's Report

Chris Berndt took over the Presidency from Jeff Sellar, who left the Society in good shape. Chris's focus has been on securing the financial position of the Society. Annual membership fees were re-introduced and Dawn Kanost was brought on to the Federal Council as Treasurer.

Chris has been negotiating a deal with Springer for publication of the Journal. He expects a deal to be finalised by mid-2016.

Chris is stepping down as President to focus on CAMS2016. He expects that the conference will have good financial outcomes for the Society.

Chris expressed his thanks to Dawn, Brian and Carolina for their support.

Treasurer's Report

Dawn Kanost submitted a written report (attached). Financial reporting has been changed from ASIC to ACNC.

Richard asked about the current membership of the Society. Dawn advised that membership fees have been received from 10 members since the last meeting on 12/8/15. Full details of the current financial position are in the attached Treasurer's report.

Federal Council Election

The President, Chris Berndt, declared all positions vacant.

The Secretary, Judy Hart, advised that the following nominations had been received:

Federal President: Brian Lynch

Federal Treasurer: Dawn Kanost

Federal Councillor: Richard Bowman, Ian Davies, Daniel Gregg, Cathy Inglis, Michael LaRobina, Jim Low, Jeff Sellar, Mitchell Sesso, Martin Stuart, Lou Vance

No nominations were received for Federal Vice-President.

Therefore the Councillors for 2015/2016 are as follows.

Federal President	Brian Lynch
Federal Vice President	VACANT
Federal Treasurer	Dawn Kanost
Federal Secretary	Judy Hart
Federal Councillors	Richard Bowman
	Ian Davies
	Daniel Gregg
	Cathy Inglis
	Michael La Robina
	Jim Low

Jeff Sellar

Mitchell Sesso

Martin Stuart

Lou Vance

Any Other Business

As incoming President, Brian expressed his thanks to Chris and Jeff, as past-presidents, for leaving the Society in good shape. He advised that he would be using the new president@austceram.com email address and indicated that members should use this address to contact him. He indicated that his emphasis would be Members, Branches and the Journal.

Martin expressed his thanks to Chris for his service to the Society as president.

Date of Next AGM – TBA

The Meeting was closed by the President at 6:35pm.

Treasurer's report ACS AGM, 13 October 2015

Financial summary (2014-15)

- Refer separate spreadsheet tracking all entries for the year.
- This spreadsheet has been reviewed and signed off by Federal President (Chris Berndt); Jeff Sellar (Federal Councillor); Federal Secretary (Brian Lynch) August 2015.

Bank account summary – at 30/06/15

- XX-7150 (PayPal acct) \$48.87
- XX-0696 (Trading acct) \$30,273.32
- XX-2078 (1.10% interest) \$53,547.41
- **TOTAL \$83,869.60**

Bank signatories (2 of 3 required for transactions) – from 15 April 2015 to 13 October 2015.

- Chris Berndt (President)
- Jeff Sellar (Federal Councillor)
- Dawn Kanost (Treasurer and online banking administrator)

Income and expense summary (2014-15)

- **TOTAL INCOME \$32,577.86**
 - Journal subscriptions & copyright royalties: \$6,738.32
 - Memberships*: \$1,418.60
 - Bank interest: \$1,151.94
 - CAMS14 50:50 profit share: \$23,269.00
- **TOTAL EXPENSES \$18,805.50**
- Profit of \$13,772.36

*Membership details (beyond \$) recorded by Daniel Gregg.

ACNC annual financial / reporting requirements (2014-15)

- No reporting requirement for the 2014-15 year. Refer excerpt from email (13/7/15; John Aitkin ACNC) who advises: "Registered charities have certain ongoing obligations with the ACNC, including the requirement to lodge "Annual Information statements" (AIS), more information about ongoing obligations is available on the ACNC website using the link below. **Because the Australian Ceramic Society was only registered recently, it is not required to lodge an AIS for the 2015 or earlier financial years.** The 2016 financial year AIS (covering 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016) is due on 31 December 2016."
- Neither ASIC, nor ATO, reporting requirement for the 2014-15 year. Refer 'Treasurer's report 12 August 2015' for supporting / background confirmatory details.