



Australian Association for
Infant Mental Health

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National AAIMHI 2018 Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 20th November 2018

via videoconference

Meeting opened at 7pm NSW, ACT, Vic; 6:30pm SA; 6pm Qld; 4pm WA.

Chair: Libby Morton

Minutes: taken by Annie Mullan

Welcome

Libby Morton welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. This is our first AGM by videoconference.

Attendance and Apologies

Present

Libby Morton (President), Elisabeth Hoehn (Vice President), Mary Hood (Treasurer), Annie Mullan (Secretary), Helen Willetts, Emma Toone, Jenny Rankine, Ros Powrie, Raylene Lewis, Gally McKenzie, Brigid Jordan, Sharon Cooke, Anne Lowagie, Campbell Paul, Lyn Gleeson, Sally Watson, Meredith Banks, Michelle Fryer, Prue Ward, Anna Huber, Jill Devlin, Martha Birch, Dawson Cooke.

Apologies

Dr Heather Mattner, Denise Luscombe, Beulah Warren, Patricia O'Rourke, Shelley Reid, Sue Wilson, Kathy Moar, Lindy Henry, Anna-Lisa Camberis, Sue Whitehead, Thelma Pitcher, Mary Farrington, Jillian Gibbney, Josh White, Maree Brice-Pozzi, Sarah Harwood, Keira Noble, Marija Radojevic, Teresa Russo, Italia Parletta, Christine Hill, Karen Gaunson, Ahna Paddon, Josy Thomas, Sara Browne, Georgina Farrell.

Confirmation of Minutes from previous AGM 25th November 2017.

The previous Minutes were tabled. Christine Hill advised by email that she would like the Attendance List to be amended to indicate that she was present at the 2017 AGM. Gally McKenzie proposed to accept the Minutes as a true record and was seconded by Ros Powrie.

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Business arising from the previous Minutes

Libby Morton advised members that the Special Resolution passed at the last AGM for AAIMHI to be transferred to and be registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, as a Company Limited by Guarantee has now been completed.

President's report (to be uploaded to the website)

Libby Morton tabled and spoke to her President's report.

Key points from Libby's report included:

- AAIMHI has now transferred from an Incorporated Association to a Company Limited by Guarantee. Libby thanked Annie Mullan and Mary Hood for their work in achieving this outcome, and for the pro bono support from Corrs, Chambers, Westgarth lawyers.
- A subcommittee chaired by Beulah Warren was formed to consider whether AAIMHI would adopt a competency framework. The subcommittee reported to the national committee that "they considered that adopting a Competency Framework was consistent with progressing or furthering the aims and objectives of the Australian Association for Infant Mental Health". A further piece is now required to progress this recommendation.
- The AAIMHI 2018 National Tour was held in September with Dr Nancy Suchman as the guest speaker. This was the first AAIMHI National Tour and Libby thanked Sally Watson for co-ordinating the tour and also thanked Qld, NSW and SA Branches for hosting the events. National Tours will continue to occur biannually.
- Libby represented AAIMHI at the 16th WAIMH Congress in Rome this year where she participated in WAIMH Affiliate meetings.
- The 17th WAIMH Congress will be held in Brisbane in 2020. Libby acknowledged Elisabeth Hoehn as the Chair of the Local Organising Committee and thanked her for her significant efforts in progressing the advertising and organising of this event.

Libby thanked the National Board for their professionalism, hard work and commitment to the interests of infants.

Libby advised that, due to personal circumstances, she would be stepping down from the President role at the end of the AGM.

Anna Huber proposed that the President's report be accepted, and this was seconded by Elisabeth Hoehn.

Treasurer's report (uploaded to the website in the Members Area)

Mary Hood tabled and spoke to her Treasurer's report. She reported that the accounts have been audited.

AAIMHI current has approximately \$52, 000 in the investment account and \$13, 000 in the everyday account.

Mary spoke to two reports prepared by Resolve Accounting who is the AAIMHI Accountant: (1) Income and Expenditure for the national association; and (2) Profit and Loss for each Branch.

Mary alerted members/branches to the new ABN which is 886 257 535 22.

Questions from the floor regarding how to interpret deficits. Also comments about accounting fees that branches pay and consideration of how to use AAIMHI funds to progress AAIMHI activities.

Meredith Banks thanked Mary for her work as Treasurer. This was agreed by all.

Emma Toone proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted, and this was seconded by Sally Watson.

Branch reports (All Branch reports were tabled and will be uploaded to the website in the Members Area)

The reports were not spoken to individually.

Meredith Banks expressed appreciation in having the reports available to showcase the wonderful work all the Branches are doing with their own particular focus.

WAIMH report (Campbell Paul/Anna Huber/Elisabeth Hoehn)

Anna Huber (WAIMH Affiliate Council Chair & Secretary/Hon Treasurer) read a report from Campbell Paul (President-elect WAIMH) and herself. The report covered information about submissions for the WAIMH Congress 2022; the new WAIMH website; work on WAIMH Position Papers; and a review of the WAIMH membership process. The full report can be found on the AAIMHI website.

Note: At this point in the AGM there was a break in the audio transmission of the video conference which could not be rectified. A new conference link took time to establish and not all participants re-joined the meeting.

Elisabeth Hoehn presented her report on the upcoming WAIMH 2020 Congress to be held in Brisbane. Elisabeth is Chair of the Local Organising Committee (LOC) and is the liaison person with WAIMH. The LOC is comprised of national AAIMHI members.

The WAIMH 2020 Congress theme is *Creating stories in infant mental health: research, recovery and regeneration*. It will be held from 7-11th June 2020 at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre and the Professional Conference Organiser (PCO) will be ICMS Australasia.

WAIMH 2020 Congress and AAIMHI 2019 Conference Call for Abstracts may coincide. Brief discussion was held advising people not to submit the same abstract to both events. This will need further consideration by the AAIMHI Board.

Appointment of the National committee/Directors for 2018-2019

The Board has nominated the following President, Treasurer and Secretary for 2018-2019. The rest of the Board is comprised of Branch Representatives nominated by their local Branches.

President:	Gally McKenzie
Vice President:	to be advised
Secretary:	Michelle Fryer
Treasurer:	Mary Hood
ACT:	Elissa See
Queensland:	Joe Coyne
NSW:	Jenny Rankine
SA:	Ros Powrie
Victoria:	Brigid Jordan
WA:	Raylene Lewis

Annie Mullan is stepping down from National Secretary but will remain National Membership Secretary and Website Co-ordinator as a non-Board member. Meredith Banks offered thanks to Annie for her generosity in supporting the association in her role as National Secretary over the last few years. This was supported by all present.

Annie Mullan thanked Libby Morton for her wonderful leadership over the past 12 months. This was supported by all present.

The 2019 AGM will take place at the 2019 AAIMHI Conference in Adelaide.

Closure

Meeting closed approximately 8:15pm NSW time.