

Minutes of AASIG Annual General Meeting held at Harbourview Room 2, Grand Chancellor Hotel Hobart on Sunday 5 July 2014.

The meeting opened at 9.00am.

Elizabeth Carson welcomed all to the fourth meeting of the AASIG and presented the Convenor's Report outlining the activities of the SIG, the financial statements for 2014 and plans for 2015/16. The SIG has around 50 members of whom 45 registered to attend today's meeting, part of which we are holding jointly with the Public Sector/Not for Profit SIG. New members and PhD students were especially welcomed.

Election of Officers

The motion to elect officers (Elizabeth Carson, Chair; Robyn Moroney, Secretary; Peter Carey, Treasurer; Nives Botica-Redmayne, New Zealand and Noel Harding, Research) was proposed by Neil Fargher, seconded by Jenny Stewart and was carried on a show of hands. Noel Harding indicated his plans to step down at the 2016 AGM.

Financial Report for Period Ending 31 December 2014

The financial report for 31 December 2014 was tabled showing a current year surplus of \$220.04 and a carried forward cash balance of \$5,243.86 as at 31 December 2014. The Organising Committee will consider options for deployment of these funds rather than carrying cash forward from year to year. The AASIG is considering financial participation in an ARC Centre of Excellence bid in Auditing and Assurance Research. The support of AFAANZ for assistance with covering the costs of the meeting is acknowledged.

Updates

The second round of CPA Synthesis projects in Going Concern and Professional Scepticism are now in the review process at Australian Accounting Review. The hard work of the teams as well as the support of CPA Australia was acknowledged. CPA Australia are keen for a third round of projects and discussions regarding topics are underway with potential team leaders. Eva Tsahuridu from CPA Australia discussed the value of this collaboration and thanked the AASIG for their support.

The Financial Reporting Council approached the AASIG for information about current working papers on the issue of audit quality. Robyn Moroney coordinated our submission to the FRC and we look forward to opportunities to communicate our research with stakeholders.

Plans for 2016

Meeting will be held on the Gold Coast in 2016. Suggestions for panels or sessions to be directed to Peter Carey.

Any other business

Conference announcement from ANU for ANCAAR Meeting to be held on 4 and 5 December. The AASIG email list is available to promote activities of interest to members and can be accessed by contacting one of the SIG officers.

The AGM closed at 9.15am. The AGM was followed with a panel on publishing and research ethics (Gary Monroe, UNSW Australia; Nonna Martinov-Bennie, Macquarie University; Barry Cooper, Deakin University; Chaired by: Noel Harding, UNSW Australia) and a joint panel held with the Public Sector/Not for Profit SIG on Current Issues in Public Sector/Not for Profits (Mike Blake, Auditor General Tasmania; Ram Subramaniam, CPA Australia; Anthony Denman, CFO Anglicare Tasmania; Alison Flakemore, Partner Crowe Horwath; David Gilchrist, Curtin University; Chaired by: Robyn Moroney, Monash University). We thank the Public Sector/Not for Profit SIG for their assistance in putting together such a terrific panel.