

## The Anthroposophical Society in Australia

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR MEMBERS

Zoom Broadcast from Maitland, NSW

**Physical Meeting:** Linuwel School, Maitland, NSW

**Saturday 18 May, 2024**

11:20am – 12:45pm

#### Present in Person (34):

Anna Stover, Birgith Lugosi, Brian Keats, Cheryl Meyer Millican, Christopher Gleeson, Cole Bradshaw, Deborah Neale, Deidre Sutherland, Gavin Tang, Graham Long, Gudrun Ludescher, Hannah Semler, Helen Vogel, James Wishart, Jane Bradshaw, Joanne Duncan, John Smith, Kevin Millican, Louisa Hopkins, Louise Pilon, Lynette Barwick, Margie Bruvel, Mark Baxter, Mark Gallagher, Peter Fern, Rebecca Debski, Riitta Korpinen, Rod Tomlinson, Ron Vaisey, Ruth Gallagher, Terence Corbett, Veronika Gudenus, Vicki Coulthard, Wendy Butler, Wolfgang Devine,

#### Present by Zoom (16):

Allison Pitt, Bronwyn McKay, Dianne Schiller, James Gillan, Jane Woodruff, Jennifer James, Jennifer West, Jenny Meltzer, Jules Healey, Katherine Rudolph, Leanne Sarah, Lisa Devine, Petra Betschart, Rosemary ???, Sally Harrison, Zsofia Kennedy,

#### Postal Votes Received (2):

#### Apologies (19):

Annet Van Kesteren, Clive Minton, Connie Nanscawen, Diane Lucas, Diane Watkins, Helen Cock, Ian George, Jonny Klugman, Lynne Klugman, Marilyn Lewis, Monika Bebb, Norma Blackwood, Patsy Elliot, Philip Ingelmo, Rob Gordon, Susan Wishart, Trevor Lewis, Veronika Gordon, Vivien Hillman.

Chair: Helen Vogel

Minute Taker: Anna Stover

Meeting opened 11:20am

Agenda Item	Information/Discussion	Motions												
Welcome	Helen Vogel welcomed us all and thanked Linuwel School, their community and the NSW Branch for hosting this event.													
Apologies	Helen read out and accepted the apologies as listed above.													
Names of those who have crossed the threshold	<p>Helen read the names of the members who have crossed the threshold since the last AGM:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Rebecca Maxwell</td> <td>Victoria</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Connie Grawert</td> <td>Queensland</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paul Harris</td> <td>Canberra</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sabina Domagawa</td> <td>Sydney</td> </tr> <tr> <td>David Tresemer</td> <td>Tasmania</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kenneth Murray</td> <td>Canberra</td> </tr> </table>	Rebecca Maxwell	Victoria	Connie Grawert	Queensland	Paul Harris	Canberra	Sabina Domagawa	Sydney	David Tresemer	Tasmania	Kenneth Murray	Canberra	
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Acceptance of the 2023 AGM Minutes	<p>Helen read Motion 1;</p> <p><b>Motion 1:</b> it is proposed that the 2023 AGM Minutes be accepted with an amendment to Motion 3; that the number voting yes for the General Secretary affirmation was 42 not 4.</p>	<p><b>Motion 1:</b> it is proposed that the 2023 AGM Minutes be accepted with an amendment to Motion 3; that the number voting yes for the General Secretary affirmation was 42 not 4.</p> <p>Proposed: Peter Fern Seconded: Deborah Neale</p> <p>Yes: All present, on zoom and postal votes</p> <p>No: 0</p> <p>Abstain: 0</p> <p><b>Motion 1 is carried</b></p>												

<p>Presentation of the Financial Report for 2023</p>	<p>Jane Bradshaw presented the Financial Report in Leanne Sarah’s absence.</p> <p><b>Motion 2:</b> It is proposed that the 2023 Financial accounts be accepted.</p> <p>Hannah Semler clarified that according to the Constitution, the Financial Review must be undertaken by a non-member of the Anthroposophical Society in Australia as an external reviewer. Given this was not the case, she proposed the following amendment;</p> <p><b>Amended Motion 2:</b> To accept the current Financial Report as interim, subject to receiving an independent reviewer’s report which will be sent to members together with the accepted Financial Report.</p> <p>Helen clarified the following in relation to the Financial Report; <i>P&amp;L Sheet</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Events - \$12,492.</i> This covers running costs for the Christmas Conference of which approximately \$12,000 was recouped through income in January 2024.</li> <li>• <i>Travel General Secretary - \$23,376.</i> This includes two trips to Dornach in 2023 and a 2024 discounted airfare.</li> </ul> <p><i>The following question from the floor was taken on notice;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When did we move from accrual accounting to cash accounting? – Zsofia Kennedy</li> </ul>	<p><b>Motion 2:</b> To accept the current Financial Report as interim, subject to receiving an independent reviewer’s report which will be sent to members together with the accepted Financial Report.</p> <p>Proposed: Hannah Semler Seconded: Ron Vaisey</p> <p>Yes: 42 No: 1 Abstain: 8</p> <p><b>Motion 2 is accepted</b></p>
<p>General Secretary’s Report</p>	<p><b>Jane Bradshaw, General Secretary,</b> presented her report.</p> <p>(Jane’s General Secretary Report is attached to these minutes.)</p>	
<p>Membership Registrar’s Report</p>	<p><b>Graham Long - Membership Registrar</b> delivered his report.</p> <p>(The report from the Membership Registrar is attached)</p>	
<p>School of Spiritual Science Report</p>	<p><b>Helen Vogel, School of Spiritual Science</b> presented her report.</p> <p>(The report from the School of Spiritual Science is attached)</p>	
<p>Chairperson’s Report</p>	<p><b>Helen Vogel, Chairperson</b> presented her report.</p>	

	(Helen's Chairperson Report is attached to these minutes.)	
	<p><b>Written reports from Branch Secretaries</b> Helen acknowledged and thanked the Branches for submitting their reports.</p> <p>Vidar Branch The Sunshine Coast Anthroposophy Group South Australian Branch The Sydney Branch</p>	
Treasurer Affirmation	<p>Helen read Motion 3:</p> <p><b>Motion 3:</b> The Management Committee nominates Leanne Sarah to take up the position of Treasurer for the Anthroposophical Society in Australia, vacated by Judith Howard, and Leanne has accepted this nomination for the next 3 years, until the AGM 2027. (No voting required)</p>	<p><b>Motion 3:</b></p> <p><i>Motion 3 is affirmed</i></p>
Public Officer Affirmation	<p>Helen read Motion 4:</p> <p><b>Motion 4:</b> The Management Committee nominates James Wishart to take up the position of Public Officer for the Anthroposophical Society in Australia, to be vacated by Terry Flynn upon election, and James has accepted this nomination for the next 3 years, until the AGM 2027. (No voting required)</p>	<p><b>Motion 4:</b></p> <p><i>Motion 4 is affirmed</i></p>
Management Committee Affirmation	<p>Jane read Motion 5:</p> <p><b>Motion 5:</b> The Management Committee nominates Helen Vogel to take up the position of Ordinary Member for the Anthroposophical Society in Australia, and Helen has accepted this nomination for the next 3 years, until the AGM 2027. (No voting required)</p>	<p><b>Motion 4:</b></p> <p><i>Motion 5 is affirmed</i></p>
Thank you	Helen Vogel acknowledged and thanked Linuwel School and the NSW branch for hosting the physical event and for everyone who attended physically and virtually.	

12:45pm Meeting Closed

**Attachments:**

- Anthroposophical Society in Australia Financial Report Jan - Dec 2023
- General Secretary's Report
- Chairperson's Report
- Membership Registrar's Report
- School of Spiritual Science Report

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