



## AGIA (Inc.)

# 2010 Annual General Meeting Minutes

*Minutes of the AGIA Inc. Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 14th September 2010 at Miss Maud's Swedish Restaurant, 97 Murray St, Perth, WA*

**The meeting commenced at 8:25 a.m.**

**Present:**

Liz Amann, Angela Riganti, Lyn Trouchet, Kerry Smith, Ray Smith, Anne Marie Phillips, Jenny Mikucki, Sandy Hayward, Camille Peters.

**Apologies:**

Julie Roberts, Grant Jacquier, Pat Laidlaw, Margaret Ellis, Anthea Harris.

**Minutes of the previous AGM:**

Tabled. Moved by Camille Peters. Seconded by Liz Amann that the Minutes be adopted as a true and correct records of the meeting.

**Reports:**

**President's Report**

Camille Peter's spoke to her tabled report: AGIA has held a number of successful breakfast events with speakers Felicia Irimies, Chris Nelson and Kerry Smith who spoke about her Access to Geoscience Information Project for which AGIA provided the seed funding. Thanks were extended to Jenny Mikucki and Ernie Laidlaw for keeping the website current and to Jenny Mikucki for her efforts in publishing 3 issues of *The Great Australian Byte*. The GeMPet Thesaurus was offered for sale to AGIA last year and the Geological Survey of Western Australia (GSWA) has taken over the responsibility for it. The future of AGIA is an issue that needs consideration: either as an independent organisation or as a special interest group of a larger geoscience association. The pros and cons need to be considered for both options, and there will be full consultation with our members on the best option for AGIA. Thanks to our members because without whom there is not an association. I wish to acknowledge long serving members of the committee: Margaret Ellis, Liz Amann, Kerry Smith and Lyn Trouchet as well as those with shorter service: Anne Phillips for keeping our finances in order and Bonnie Rae Bruce.

Kerry Smith moved to accept the President's Report. Seconded by Jenny Mikucki.

**SA Branch Report**

Camille Peters tabled the report from the AGIA (SA Branch). Kerry Smith moved to accept the SA Branch Report. Seconded by Angela Riganti. Kerry noted that the committee would need to revisit capitation fees for South Australia in the coming year.

**Treasurers Report**

There is a total funds of \$21,697.08 consisting of \$4,387.06 (cheque account), \$17,310.02 (term deposit account). During the year \$5,000 was transferred from the cheque account to the term deposit account, and a further \$5,000 had been transferred to Curtin University for the Access to Geoscience Information Project. At the AGM 16

September 2008 the then Treasurer noted that a sum of \$2,286.36 representing the income from an AGIA WA seminar held in 2005/06 needs to be transferred to the AGIA (WA Branch) cheque account from the AGIA (National) cheque account once the financials have been audited. The audit of AGIA (WA Branch) has not yet been completed. The auditor's report was tabled. Kerry Smith suggested that the auditor receive a token of appreciation for services rendered. The Treasurer agreed and the meeting supported the suggestion..

Anne Marie Phillips moved to accept the Treasurers Report. Sandy Hayward seconded acceptance.

The President Camille Peters handed the chair to Sandy Hayward to conduct the elections.

#### **Election of Office Bearers**

**President:** Margaret Ellis has indicated her willingness to accept the position. Was elected unopposed (provided appropriate form is received by the Secretary).

**Vice-President:** Liz Amann - elected unopposed

**Secretary:** Lyn Trouchet – elected unopposed

**Treasurer:** Anne Phillips – elected unopposed

**Committee Members:** Jenny Mikucki – editor – elected unopposed

Kerry Smith – elected

Camille Peters – elected

Angela Riganti – elected

Sandy Hayward handed over to the new Vice President and vacated the chair.

Liz Amann congratulated and welcomed the new committee and is looking forward to a great year.

#### **Other Business:**

Angela Riganti suggested that AGIA hold a seminar similar to the ones previously held. Geoscience 102 had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. It was also noted that these seminars had been held approximately every two years and that holding one this year be considered by incoming committee. Previously they have had a student focus. Considerations need to be made re timing, audience. The Brekky series for general industry participation has been a success with both a geoscience focus as well as information specialists. It may be worthwhile expanding the Brekky series to afternoons and include site visits such as on to the Core library in Welshpool.

The future direction of AGIA also needs to be considered. Ray Smith noted that the proposed merger between AIG/GSA had fallen through. He suggested that it might be worthwhile to consider a possible alliance with GSA. Members pay membership to the parent group, as well as membership to specialist groups.

Kerry Smith noted that the current membership numbers are:

4 Life, 8 corporate, 27 personal totally 39 members. Kerry also noted that membership for the previous AGIA year lasts to the end of September.

**The meeting concluded at 8:56 a.m.**