



37th Annual General Meeting

6:00pm AWST Thursday 22 May 2025

Room ML 03.201 Edith Cowan University Mt Lawley Campus, 2 Bradford Street, Mount Lawley, Perth, WA 6050 and online via Teams meeting.

MINUTES

1. Notice of convening meeting

The meeting opened at 6:03pm AWST on Thursday 22 May 2025. In accordance with the Association's constitution, the President, Jane Cowell, gave notice of convening the meeting. She acknowledged the traditional owners of the land and welcomed everyone, including long standing Members, past Presidents and Board members.

The AGM was being held as a hybrid meeting with members present in person and online via the Teams platform.

Members were present which constituted a quorum – see the Attendance Register for details of members present with 30 members attending in person, 14 online and 12 proxies. The President called the meeting to order.

Voting rights for Members voting in person were established. Twelve proxies were received. The voting procedures were outlined by the Company Secretary Kylie Fiddy, noting that in addition to voting by the raising of hands for those in person in Perth, the Teams poll facility would be used to conduct a poll for Members attending via Teams online. Those attending online were directed to ask questions via the Chat facility in Teams.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from: Philip Kent, Simon Huggard, Tricia Genat, Adele Casey (on behalf of NSWPLA) and Margie Lundy.

3. Minutes of the 2024 AGM

The minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting were available to members present at the meeting, were available in the Chat function for members attending via Teams and had also been emailed to these Members prior to the meeting and posted to the ALIA website.

There were no questions or corrections to the minutes.



The minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting were accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting.

4. Reports

a. President's Report

The president Jane Cowell read her 2024 President's report. There were no questions or comments.

5. Presentation of the 2024 annual report and financial statements

The 2024 Annual Report and the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 together with the Directors' report and auditor's report in respect of those financial statements were tabled.

There were no questions from Members relating to the Annual Report or the financial statements.

The 2024 Annual Report and Financial Statements were duly tabled.

6. Notices of Motion

The President advised the meeting that there were no motions to put to the meeting.

7. Special business

Special Resolution 1 – Constitutional Amendments

The meeting considered the special resolution relating to proposed changes to the Australian Library and Information Association Limited Constitution. Details of the proposed amendment were advised to Members via email on 16th April 2025 with links to the explanatory document and Special Resolution 1 Table of Changes outlining current versus proposed wording for affected Rules 12.2, 12.4 and 12.5. Links to these documents were made available in the chat for members attending via Teams, and physical copies were also available in the room for those present in person.

The President advised that changes to ALIA's Constitution require a 75% majority of votes to be cast in favour.

The President then proceeded to read the details from the explanatory document for the benefit of all present, noting that the ALIA Board invites members to consider passing a special resolution



to amend the Constitution so that the Board consists of six elected directors and one independent appointed director as opposed to the current make-up of seven elected directors.

Special Resolution 1 was then put forward to the vote:

That the Constitution of the Australian Library and Information Association Limited be amended by deleting the words specified in column 2 of the Special Resolution 1 Table of Changes ("The Table") in the corresponding Rule specified in column 1 of the Table and inserting in their place the words specified in column 3 of the Table and as detailed in the explanatory notes accompanying the Notice of Meeting for this annual general meeting with the change to apply from the conclusion of this annual general meeting.

Votes for the constitutional change: 29 in person, 13 online and 11 proxies = 53

Votes against the constitutional change: 1 online and 1 proxy = 2

The Resolution passed with a majority vote of 96% of those present (53 out of 55 votes).

The President declared the resolution carried.

Meeting closed

There being no further business, the President thanked members for their attendance and declared the ALIA 2025 Annual General Meeting closed at 6.22 pm AWST.

Signed by

F. Jane Cowell
ALIA President

Date: __29/05/2025__

Kylie Fiddy
ALIA Company Secretary

Date: __29/05/2025__