



The Australian and New Zealand
Society for Mass Spectrometry Inc.

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Agenda
held 17th of October 2016 at the
Bio21 Institute, University of Melbourne, Melbourne**

Members in Attendance or on-line via TeamViewer:

Andrew McAnoy, Gavin Reid, George Khairallah, Michael Leeming, Stephen Blanksby, Todd Mitchell, Tara Pukala, David Harman, Berwyck Poad, David Marshall, Alan Scarlett, Sarah Hancock, Alan Maccarone, Simon Brown, W. Alex Donald, Mark Raftery, Alex Oglivline

1. Welcome (President)

The President welcomed all members present in person or via the TeamViewer session to the Annual General Meeting starting at 3:00pm

2. Apologies

Apologies were noted from K Grice, S Rochfort, B Boughton, M Buntine, D Creek, J Beck, A Trevitt, S Abbot

3. Acceptance of previous minutes (Annual General Meeting 12/11/15)

McAnoy noted that the Draft minutes of the previous AGM were provided via the ANZSMS website to the members for tabling at the AGM. Reid moved that these be accepted as a true and accurate record. The motion was seconded by Khairallah with no objections.

4. Business arising

Bid for IMSC 2020

A limited EOI was conducted to evaluate potential sites to partner with ANZSMS for an IMSC 2020 bid. This included Cairns, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. Full details are in confidence but available for future reference. While one bid had less risk than others, it still had a high level of uncertainty and potentially significant financial risk. As a result (and due to time constraints), ANZSMS was not in a position to put in a competitive bid.

Lessons learnt –

- Good interest from major cities with great opportunities to support bid and subsidise event.
- Plan earlier and approach/tender for PCO first to help co-ordinate bids with each potential city.
- PCO can provide higher fidelity data (higher confidence) and also would be better equipped and motivated to negotiate better offers/subsidies (lower risk).

Process for New Fellows

Remains ongoing – input from Fellows required (Fellow should be part of process) – good to sort out so that will can announce at next conference.

5. Presidents report (McAnoy)

As my last Presidents Report, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to the Society over the years. It really is what we all make of it and I am very encouraged at how far we have come as a Society and the potential for our future.

Non-conference years tend to be quieter than conference years and my 4 months parental leave no doubt added to the quiet.

Support of Local Events

Local events in Canberra (Charles Hocart) and Brisbane (Michelle Hill) have been supported by ANZSMS to bring together researchers.

Travel Awards

\$4,500 for students and technical staff was provided to attend the ANZSMS and other events during 2015-16

IMSF Affiliates meeting

I was unable to attend the IMSF Affiliates Meeting at IMSC in Toronto, but Gavin Reid represented the Society on my behalf (see other business).

Upcoming Events (all on website)

3rd Australian Lipids Meeting, Melbourne (Nov 21-22, 2016)

Lorne Proteomics Symposium (Feb 2-5, 2017)

IMSF Structural MS Workshop, Israel (May 3-8, 2017)

ANZSMS23 – Adelaide (mid 2017) – see Convener's Report later.

International Metabolomics Society Conference, Brisbane (June 26-29, 2017)

6. Ongoing business

A travelling lecturer for 2016 was not appointed. It is suggested that the society consider sponsorship of other activities for 2017, including support for a speaker to the Adelaide Conference and our Awards, as well as explore opportunities next year with the RACI congress to be held in Melbourne (Phys Chem and Analytical Chem. in particular), and the Metabolomics Society conference to be held in Brisbane.

7. Treasurers report

The 2016 ANZSMS Financial report (see attached) and Audit report (see attached) was presented by A McAnoy and G Reid on behalf of S Nelis, who was not in attendance.

T Mitchell noted that the report appeared different from previous years in that the two columns were one year split and not this year compared to last year. S Blanksby noted that there may/should have been a small surplus returned from the Brisbane ANZSMS conference. A McAnoy will seek further clarification from S Nelis.

8. 2017 ANZSMS Conference Convener's Report (Pukala)

T Pukala reported that a PCO has been appointed (All Occasions Management) for the 2017 ANZSMS conference to be held in Adelaide. The current proposed dates (to be confirmed) are 16-20 July, 2017. A site visit is scheduled in the next week, prior to confirmation of the conference venue. The conference committee intends to appoint a technical sub-committee for the conference program, particularly to identify national and international invited speakers. The sponsorship prospectus will be released as soon as the conference site and dates have been finalised.

Reid noted that the committee should consider making strategic invitations to regional mass spectrometry society leadership/members given that the 2017 AOMSC meeting will be held in Dec. 2017 in Singapore.

9. Website subcommittee report (Poad)

B Poad reported that the website continues to be a major method of communication with the ANZSMS membership. The website registration has been renewed for 5 years. Multiple jobs have been advertised on the site, along with a list of upcoming events.

10. Election of 2016-2017 ANZSMS Executive Committee

| Position | Nominee | Nominated by | Seconded by |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| President | Gavin Reid | McAnoy | Blanksby |
| Vice-President | Todd Mitchell | McAnoy | Reid |
| Secretary | Simone Rochfort | McAnoy | Reid |
| Treasurer | W. Alex Donald | McAnoy | Reid |
| Member | Berin Boughton | Reid | Khairallah |
| Member | David Harman | Blanksby | Donald |
| Member | Simon Brown | Mitchell | Maccarone |
| Member | Kliti Grice | Leeming | Pukala |

The following members will hold ex-officio and co-opted positions

| Position | Member |
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| Past President | Andrew McAnoy |

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| ANZSMS25 Convener | Tara Pukula |
| Public Officer | Charles Hocart |
| Webmaster | Berwyck Poad |
| Industry Liaison | George Khairallah |

11. Other business

G Reid attended the International Mass Spectrometry Foundation affiliates meeting during the International Mass Spectrometry Conference (IMSC) held in Toronto, on behalf of A McAnoy. Multiple proposals were presented during the meeting to host the 2020 IMSC, and the 2017 and 2019 International Mass Spectrometry School (IMSS). Following a vote of the affiliates, Rio de Janeiro, Brasil was named the winning bid and host city for 2020 IMSC, the 2017 IMSS will be held in Croatia (organised by the Netherlands Mass Spectrometry society and to be held with the established Mass Spectrometry in Biotechnology and Medicine school – tentative dates: July 2-8) while the 2019 IMSS will be held in Spain (organised by the Spanish Mass Spectrometry society – tentative dates: Sept. 22-27). During the meeting, it was also announced that the inaugural International Mass Spectrometry Workshop (IMSW) on the topic of Structural MS will be held May 3-8, 2017 at the Weizmann Institute in Israel, and will be organised by Michal Sharon.

Reid suggested that ANZSMS should consider making a bid for either the IMSS or IMSW at the next available opportunity.

G Khairallah requested that input be obtained from industry based members regarding a possible session, and speakers, at the 2017 ANZSMS conference, focusing on mass spectrometry in industry.

T Mitchell proposed that the society formally acknowledge Professor Stephen Blanksby for his 13 years of dedicated and continuous service to the society, including as Treasurer (2003-2006), Vice-President (2007-2008), President (2008-2012), Past-President (2012-2016), and convener of the 25th ANZSMS conference held in Brisbane in 2015. The motion was seconded by A McAnoy and was unanimously and enthusiastically approved by the attendees (along with a warm round of applause).

12. Thanks and close

A McAnoy thanked everyone for their attendance and noted the next GM will be held during the 2017 ANZSMS conference. The AGM was closed at 4:13 pm.