

# Australasian Speech Science and Technology Association

## Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting

Novotel Parramatta, Sydney, Thursday 8th December 2016 at 12:10pm

Apologies – Marija Tabain, Trent Lewis

### 1. Attendance:

Members: Cathi Best, Rosey Billington, Peter Blamey, Denis Burnham, Sasha Calhoun, Chris Carignan, Felicity Cox, Anne Cutler, Chris Davis, Gerry Docherty, Paola Escudero, Janet Fletcher, David Graydon, Adele Gregory, John Hajek, Beth Hume, John Ingram, Shun Ishihara, Katie Jepson, Jeusun Kim, Eleanor Lewis, Liquan Liu, Karen Mattock, Bruce Millar, Michael Proctor, Phil Rose, Casey Tait, Michael Tyler, Michael Wagner, Catherine Watson

Non-members: Tom Anderson, Florian Jaeger, Ivan Yuen

2. Minutes from 2015 AGM – accepted by David Grayden, seconded by Anne Cutler.

3. President's report – Denis Burnham – accepted by John Hajek, seconded by Bruce Millar.

4. Treasurer's report – Michael Tyler – accepted by Phil Rose, seconded by Paola Escudero.

Discussed ensuring that ICPHS contributions from universities be clearly identified in the balance sheet to ensure clarity regarding ASSTA's financial position.

5. Forensic Speech Science Committee Report – Phil Rose – accepted by Michael Tyler, seconded by Cathi Best

6. Website – Catherine Watson reported that plans are underway to improve the website – encouraged anyone interested in assisting to contact her.

7. International Congress of the Phonetic Sciences – Felicity Cox for Marija Tabain – moving forward with plans including contract to be signed with PCO Arinex in the new year. Confirmed that the committee were working hard with the PCO to minimise risk. Requests for keynote suggestions have been taken and a shortlist created.

8. Possible changes to the ASSTA constitution were discussed - to be resolved via email meeting vote

- a. Add specific terms of office for the Members of the Executive (2 years) to be elected at the AGM at SST – must check legislation of incorporated entities regarding election of office bearers.
- b. Add the following to allow the Executive to co-opt members to serve ancillary roles such as newsletter editor, web administrator, grants officer. These may be junior academics who may then nominate to be elected to the Executive.

- I. Clause 32a. The Executive may co-opt Members to the Association in order to fill the roles of newsletter editor, website administrator and/or grants officer. The selection of the co-opted Members must be by a unanimous vote of the elected executive members. The Members so co-opted will have voice but not vote on the Executive.
- c. Provision for internet banking
  - I. Clause 69. Electronic funds transfers (including via BPAY) made on behalf of the Association must be authorised electronically by two Members of the Executive one of whom shall normally be the Treasurer.
  - II. Current Clauses 69-79 numbers to be increased to 70-80 to accommodate the new Clause 69

9. Election of officers for 2016 – Denis Burnham has retired from the position of President and will not continue in a role on the executive. Catherine Watson moved to thank Denis for his service to ASSTA over the past 15 years as President and previous service on the Executive committee, seconded by Cathi Best

A notice calling for nominations went out on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016. There was only one nomination for each position on the executive.

Catherine Watson	– President
Felicity Cox	– Secretary
Michael Tyler	– Treasurer
Trent Lewis	– Executive member
Janet Fletcher	– Executive member
– welcome to Janet Fletcher	

8. Any other business  
- Next SST TBD

Felicity Cox  
ASSTA Secretary.