



Australian Podiatry Association Ltd

Annual General Meeting

On Zoom

6.00 pm 29 May 2024

Meeting open to members at 6.09 pm

1. Welcome, attendance and apologies

Katrina Richards, President of the APodA introduced herself and acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which all attendees met for the Annual General Meeting and paid respect to Elders past and present.

Attendance was noted

APodA Board:

Katrina Richards - President

Angela Evans AM – Vice President

Joseph Bayer

Shelley Thompson

Maria Latemore

Members:

Ainslie Davies

Luke Marsden

Kirstie Mann

Stephen Tucker

Joanna Hamilton

Mary-Ellen Redmayne

Myrna Domiati

Adam Jorgensen

Anna McIntosh

Barry Matthews

Mingmin Chen

Adam Jorgenson

Tomas Megalaa

Denise Setton

Cate Melville

Rob Mullins

Amber Cook

Edward Fenwicke

APodA staff:

Hilary Shelton

Michelle Benson

Natalie Policki

Katrina Den Elzen

Leanne Waller

Steven Brown

Pauline Taylor (minutes)

Apologies:

Kylie McCulloch

Joseph Brooks

The President noted that a quorum had been achieved.

APodA members were welcomed to the AGM and noted the protocol for the online meeting and process for members to ask questions.

2. **Approval of minutes**

MOTION: Approval of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25 May 2023 are accepted as a true and accurate record

MOVED: Angela Evans

SECONDED: Ainslie Davies

ACCEPTED

3. **Presentation of reports**

Presidents Report

APodA President, Katrina Richards presented the President's Report noting the ongoing achievements post covid and highlights of the year.

Ms Richards noted the past president Ainslie Davies and thanked her for her presidency and dedication to the APodA over many years.

Some highlights for the APodA in 2023 were noted including

- The Australian Podiatry Conference 2023 for which all involved including the scientific committee, apoda staff and volunteers were thanked
- Discussions with Podiatry New Zealand board looking towards stronger ties between the two bodies.
- Remaining steps of the OnePodiatry project come very close to complete. In particular transfer of funds from APodA Vic to APERF. And the APodA NSW voting to transfer assets to APodA.
- CEO recruitment success with the appointment of Hilary Shelton

Ms Richards thanked her fellow board members and acknowledged former CEO Nello Marino for his work over 7 years and his lasting legacy of the national association.

CEO Report

Hilary Shelton, CEO highlighted key achievements of the APodA in 2023 in the following areas:

Membership, Special Interest Group, Advocacy, Education and Events, Australian Podiatry Conference, research and publications and Endorsements

An extended report can be found on the APodA Website.

Audit Report

APodA Director and Chair- Audit and Risk Committee, Angela Evans AM presented the Financial Report for the year ending December 2023

Ms Evans AM noted the Financial Report as made available online for members. Mr Brooks discussed the Associations objectives and activities which support those objectives. Ms Evans AM explained the preparation for accounts, accounting process, revenue breakup, membership, and expenses. Ms Evans AM gave some explanation of what to look for in the financial reports including the Balance Sheet and profit and loss

Ms Evans AM thanked her fellow directors and particularly Joe Bayer, Maria Latemore and Hilary Shelton, members of the audit and risk and to Michelle Benson APodA Financial Controller

MOTION: Angela Evans AM moved that the Audit Report for the year ended 31 December 2023 as tabled

MOVED: Angela Evans UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED

4. Announcement of Directors

The CEO announced that the ballot for directors took place in accordance with the constitution and thanked the 6 candidates for nominating. Truevote was employed to carry out the process.

11.8% of the membership took part in the voting and whilst this is a good response rate, a campaign to boost member engagement around important issues such as voting may be undertaken

Marry-Ellen Redmayne was voted as Director of the Australian Podiatry Association

Kylie McCulloch was returned as a Director of the Australian Podiatry Association



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Maria Latemore returned as a Director of the Australian Podiatry Association

They will join Katrina Richards, Angela Evans, Shelley Thompson and Joe Bayer on the board of the Australian Podiatry Association.

The President thanked Joe Brooks for his many years of hard work and dedication to the APodA and his time on the board.

6. Appointment of auditor

Move that RSM Australia of 55 Collins St, Melbourne VIC be appointed the auditor of the Australian Podiatry Association Ltd. Noted second

MOVED: Katrina Richards UNANOMOUSLY ACCEPTED

7. Other Business

Other business and questions from the floor were noted in the chat.

A question from Rob Mullins asked about the opportunity for conferences in/with New Zealand was posed. The President noted that whilst nothing was formalised as yet this is a possibility that may be discussed. Ms Richards noted that not only NZ but other international associations could be approached to help our members access benefits.

Steven Tucker expressed his opinion that the APodA was in a good financial situation.

The President thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting at 6.43pm