

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Commercial Law Association of Australia Ltd held on Wednesday 26 May 2021 at the offices of Bartier Perry, Level 10, 77 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.

Present:	Norman Donato, (President), Jim Biady, Stephen Lamy, Sarah Hill, Gerard Ryan, Eddie Finnane, Steve McMahon, Sally Moten, Max Wilson.
Proxies	
Apologies	David Miller, Collin Biggers & Paisley
Quorum	A quorum was present
Opening	5. 40 pm

Opening

The President, Norman Donato opened the Annual General Meeting at 5.40 pm and welcomed all those in attendance and declared a quorum present. The Annual Report and Financial Report had been made available to all members. The Minutes of the 2020 AGM had also been circulated. The purpose of the AGM was to consider the Annual Report, Financial Report, Minutes of the 2020 AGM, elect Directors and consider any other business that was properly brought before the meeting.

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The President asked if there were any questions regarding the 2020 AGM Minutes. He said that last year's AGM had been held online. Moved Gerard Ryan, seconded, Sarah Hill that the 27 May 2020 AGM Minutes be received. Carried.

Annual Report and Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2020

The Annual Report was presented for adoption by members. The President said that the Directors had approved the content of the Financial Report. Steve McMahon said he thought the cover of the Annual Report was distinctive with references to remote working via technology.

Moved, Gerard Ryan seconded Sarah Hill that the 2020 Annual Report and 2020 Financial Report be adopted. Carried.

Election of Directors

The President said that we had five candidates for election to the Board. The President said that James Biady, Edmund Finnane, Gerard Ryan and himself retired in conformity with the company's constitution and offered themselves for re-election.

- Moved Sarah Hill, seconded Stephen Lamy that James Biady, Edmund Finnane, Gerard Ryan and Norman Donato be elected to the Board of Directors. Carried

The President said that we had a nomination from Ben Whitten, the Chair of our Queensland Branch, for election to the Board. Eddie Finnane and Jim Biady said that they knew Ben Whitten from meetings that they participated as board representatives to the branch.

Moved Eddie Finnane, seconded Jim Biady that Ben Whitten is elected to the Board. Carried

As these were the only candidates the President declared all elected. He gave his congratulations to the elected Directors

The President said that it was good to also have a member from Queensland join the board of Directors. The CEO said that he had spoken to Ben Whitten on many occasions as he had been a member of the CLA for about 20 years. He said that Ben had won one of our first membership prizes a two-day escape to Tower Lodge, Hunter Valley. At the time Ben and his wife were celebrating their daughter's first birthday. As first-time parents, it was a welcome holiday break. Recently his daughter celebrated her 20th birthday. The President said that it was an interesting story and would be worth sharing on social media if Ben was happy to do so. The CEO said that he would talk with Ben and if he provided his permission would arrange a social media post with Emma Heuston.

There being no further Business the President declared the AGM closed at 6.00 pm.

Signed

Norman Donato
President

Dated