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Annual General Meeting 2005 - Agenda

Meeting opened at 9:10 am 18 October 2005

1. Apologies

- Daniel Blake - GHD
- Jim Rowtcliffe - URS
- David Saihiaya
- Per Justsen - Danish Road Directorate
- Kirk Kulbe - Bentley
- Ricky Smith – DAR
- Jeff Leithead – Horizon Lines

2. 21st Annual General meeting in St Kilda, Melbourne 2004.

- **Minutes to be accepted as a true and accurate record**

Moved *Jim Turner* **Seconded** *Geoff Hepworth* **Motion Carried**

- **Secretary/Treasurer Report**

The final financial statement for the 2004 Conference held in Melbourne was tabled and accepted as true and correct

Moved *Steve Muller* **Seconded** *Mark Gardiner* **Motion Carried**

- **Business arising from the 2004 minutes**

None

- **Correspondence**

Ricky Smith has expressed his concerns re the location of next year's conference and his doubts about the commitment by his organisation to support it.

3. 23rd Annual MX Association Conference 2006

- **Location** *Tasmania*

Moved *Bill Zegveld* **Seconded** *Mark Westaway* **Motion Carried**

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- **Election of Office Bearers**

President: *Bill Zegveld*

Moved *John Hastie*

Seconded *David Nicholson*

Motion Carried

Secretary: *Jason Cox*

Moved *Bill Zegveld*

Seconded *Martin Patfield*

Motion Carried

Treasurer: *Left Vacant*

Deferred to selection by new President and committee. Role preferably to be co-opted to a delegate based in Tasmania.

Technical Coordinators *David Nicholson / David Greggs*

Moved *Martin Patfield*

Seconded *Noni Schrijvers*

Motion Carried

4. General Business

- **22nd Annual MX Association Conference Finance (draft)**

The draft financial statement was discussed with Jason Cox explaining that the Sydney conference would realise a very small profit of approx \$400 - \$500 however this was to be confirmed when all final accounts are in. There were no issues raised.

- **Ray Moloney Award**

There was a discussion held on the relevance of the award and some explanation on the development and intent of the award. There was overwhelming approval for the establishment of the award as an ongoing tribute to Ray Moloney and as recognition for significant contribution in the areas of innovation and technical excellence in the development of mx software.

It was decided to establish a committee to establish criteria, to decide how nominations will be accepted and to evaluate possible future recipients of the award. The initial committee will consist of one delegate member from each state and one from NZ; Laurie Hewson – WA, David Nicholson – Vic, Geoff Hepworth – SA, Bill Zegveld – Tas, Jason Cox – NSW, Graeme Young – Qld, Sean O'Brien – ACT, Steve Muller - NZ

It was suggested nominations may be called through email, newsletters or from written submissions. It was also suggested that a page about the award be added to the website outlining the relevance, criteria and intent of the award as well as listing recipients. There was general agreement to both of these suggestions.

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I was also agreement that Bentley should not be excluded from consideration when nominations are called for the award.

- **Life Members**

Jason Cox Nominated Geoff Archibald to be installed as the second Life Member of the MX Association. Geoff gratefully accepted this nomination. It was seconded by Bob McPherson and the motion was carried unanimously.

There was general agreement for the same committee as the one established for the Ray Maloney award to establish a formal criteria for the assessment and nomination of future Life Members. The committee is to make nominations from time to time as appropriate and call for nominations from the floor at the AGM.

- **MXUAA Yahoo Group**

There was general agreement it is effective and useful. It was felt there was a need to make more info about the group available via email, newsletters and on the MX Association website.

5. Business arising from the floor

- **Incentives to Technical Presenters**

No criteria for this were formally established from last year's conference. It was agreed to continue in accordance with the constitution and previously minuted decisions. Awarding of any incentives will be left to the current committee's discretion.

- **Early Bird Registrations**

It was generally felt this idea worked very well in 2005 and gave the committee a very good idea of numbers for budgeting 2-3 weeks out from the conference. This was important for catering and ordering of shirts and bags etc. and enabled costs to be kept to a minimum.

There was a motion to install the early bird registration scheme on an annual basis as an incentive to delegates and to assist the committee in budgeting and keeping conference costs as low as possible.

Moved *Andrew Brown* **Seconded** *Laurie Hewson* **Motion** *Defeated*

It was agreed that the current committee should decide on the structure of how or if this incentive will be implemented for future conferences.

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- **Website**

Mark Westaway expressed thanks on behalf of all delegates to Noni Schrijvers for her contribution to the website and for provision of the conference banners. Noni has agreed to continue as website manager for the Association for the foreseeable future.

- **Amendments to the Constitution**

Mark Westaway motioned to remove Clause 5.10 from the Constitution as it was no longer relevant, and that Members should be allowed to remain on the committee for longer than 2 years if desired.

Moved *Mark Westaway* **Seconded** *Alan Brown* **Motion** *Carried*

- **MX Association Bank Account**

Jason Cox led a discussion on the need to update how the Association bank account is managed and the need to have an internet banking facility, the need to allow payment by credit card and the establishment of a secure method to allow payment on the internet via credit card.

The following motions were put to the delegates;

To upgrade the Association bank account to allow internet banking.

Moved *Jason Cox* **Seconded** *Terry Methven* **Motion** *Carried*

Wording of Clause 9.1 of the Constitution be changed from:

“All monies received shall be deposited in the Association’s bank account. Cheques are to be signed by any two of the President, Secretary, Treasurer or Technical Co-ordinator;”

To read:

“All monies received shall be deposited in the Association’s bank account. Cheques or internet transactions are to be authorized in writing by any two of the President, Secretary, Treasurer or Technical Co-ordinator;”

Moved *Jason Cox* **Seconded** *Alan Brown* **Motion** *Carried*

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- **Site Visits**

David Nicholson expressed his concern site visits may not always be perceived as being relevant and contributing as intended especially by employers.

It was noted that the site visit component of the conference is not mandatory and it was decided that the decision of whether or not to include a site visit would be left to discretion of the committee when they set their conference agenda.

- **Expression of Thanks**

Ian urban expressed his gratitude and thanks to the current committee for their effort in organising and running the 2005 conference.

Meeting closed at 10:10 am