

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2018

MINUTES

Annual General Meeting (AGM) of members of the Australia Japan Society of NSW Incorporated, held at the offices of HWL Ebsworth, Level 14, Australia Square, 264-278 George Street Sydney on Wednesday 21 November 2018 at 6.00pm.

1. Attendees

Philip Mitchell (President)	Masanori Ohtani
Terry Crotty	Momoe Ohtani
Hideaki Matsuo	Teri Teramoto
Michele Miller	Keiichi Tsuzurahara

2. Welcome and Quorum

The President, Philip Mitchell, welcomed the members in attendance. With the required quorum of five (5) financial members being present the meeting was declared open.

3. Apologies and proxies

Anita Byrnes, Peter Gibson, Tim Griffiths, Emi Otsuji, Philip Porter, Ian Stewart, Valerie Vickers and Diane Vukelic.

Proxies were received from Seiichi Kuwata, Ryo Sadayuki and Yoshihiro Wada nominating the Chairman.

4. Adoption of Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 21 November 2017.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted.

Moved Terry Crotty

Seconded: Masanori Ohtani

There was no business arising from the meeting.

5. President's Report

The President acknowledged the 50th year of the Society in 2018 which had culminated in a very successful National Conference in late October, the scale of which was the largest to date for the National Federation. He indicated the feedback from those who attended had been very positive and noted that the Conference thoroughly covered the business, social and cultural aspects of the Society. He congratulated all those who



contributed to the success of the Conference.

The President thanked members for their great support throughout the year. He indicated that 2018 was a very active year for events which included the popular Shaberanaito events together with other social, business and cultural events held throughout the year.

He also acknowledged the partner allied organisations including the Japan Foundation, JETAA, JCCI and the very strong support of the Consul-General of Japan and his staff.

The Society's annual University Awards showcased the highest performing students from the six universities sponsored by AJS NSW.

The President thanked all Board members for providing their time voluntarily and for their individual contributions throughout the year in progressing the aims and objectives of the Society.

In closing he indicated that Board members Peter Gibson and Philip Porter would not be nominating for the Board for the coming year and he thanked both for their service to the Board and to the Society.

RESOLVED that the President's Report to Members dated November 2018 be accepted.

Moved: Philip Mitchell

Seconded: Terry Crotty

6. Treasurer's Report

Keiichi Tsuzurahara presented the report and provided an overview of the year's activities and the financial results. He outlined the major elements of the financial report which produced a small surplus for the Society for the year 1 July 2017- 30 June 2018 of \$1,474.32.

RESOLVED that the Finance Report be adopted.

Moved: Keiichi Tsuzurahara

Seconded: Teri Teramoto





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7. Election of Office Bearers and Ordinary Committee Members

The President indicated that nine (9) nominations had been received and the number of nominations had not exceeded the number of available positions. There being fewer nominations than the maximum permitted under the Rules, the President declared that all following nominees were so elected:

President: Philip Mitchell
Vice President: Anita Byrnes
Treasurer: Keiichi Tsuzurahara
Secretary/Public Officer: Terry Crotty

Committee Members: Timothy Griffiths, Michele Miller, Masanori Ohtani, Teri Teramoto and Diane Vukelic

The President welcomed Michele Miller to the Board and thanked all Board Members for the ongoing support and activities.

8. Other Business Raised by Members in Attendance

Hideaki Matsuo encouraged those present to attend the upcoming Japan festival at Darling Harbour on 8 December.

There being no other business the President thanked members for their attendance. The meeting closed at 6.20pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

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Philip Mitchell
Chairman

Date:

