

AMaGA

Australian Capital Territory

Annual General Meeting

2 September 2020

The National Archives of Australia

5:30–7:00pm

Pre-Meeting held by AMaGA ACT Branch

Attendance: Rowan Henderson, Sheridan Burnett, Holly Anderson, Ben Pratten, Craig Middleton, Rebecca Coronel, Vicki Northey, Kate Armstrong

Motion: That the branch committee accept the Annual Report 2019

Moved: Rowan Henderson

Seconded: Holly Anderson

MOTION CARRIED

Motion: That the branch committee accept the Financial Report 2019

Moved: Rowan Henderson

Seconded: Sheridan Burnett

MOTION CARRIED

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1. Attendance	Rowan Henderson, Sheridan Burnett, Holly Anderson, Ben Pratten, Craig Middleton, Rebecca Coronel, Vicki Northey, Kate Armstrong, Anna O'Leary, Amy Wolgamot, Lily Withycombe, Allister Mills, Peter Mascini, Michaela Ripper, Carol Cartwright, Hannah Webb, Georgina Holt, Alex Marsden, Penny Grist, Pippa Thorogood McLennan, Gabrielle Hyslop, Sophie Chesseau, Louise Douglas
1.1 Present	
1.2 Apologies	Grace Blakeley-Carroll, Roger Garland, Lee Scott, Stephanie Hamilton, Lucinda McCann, Ashlinn Harty

<p>2. Confirmation of minutes 2019</p> <p>Paper: 2019 Draft Minutes</p>	<p>Meeting opened at 5:33pm</p> <p>Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country by AMaGA ACT Branch President, Rowan Henderson.</p> <p>She thanked the National Archives of Australia for hosting the AGM and the catering, and thanked everyone in attendance.</p> <p>Acknowledged that 2020 has been a difficult year, but we are here to celebrate 2019. Acknowledged that we have a quorum (5 – 4/100 members).</p> <p>Rowan asked that the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 27 March 2019, having previously distributed to members, be confirmed as a correct record with one minor amendment – “Expenditure in 2018 was \$8,649.13, and this was slightly higher than our 2017 expenditure of \$8,156.18”</p> <p><i>Motion: That the minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting be accepted with amendments.</i></p> <p><i>Moved: Rowan Henderson</i></p> <p><i>Seconded: Penny Grist</i></p> <p>MOTION CARRIED, no opposed/no abstains</p>
<p>3. 2019 Annual Report</p> <p>Paper: 2019 Annual Report</p>	<p>The President, Rowan Henderson, reported on the activities of the Australian Museums and Galleries Association ACT Branch Committee in 2019.</p> <p>Rowan reported that 2019 was another productive year for the AMaGA ACT Branch in which the Committee trialled new event formats and spent significant time preparing to host the AMaGA Conference in Canberra in May 2020 (now postponed to 2021).</p> <p>Several events were mentioned specifically including the AGM in March 2019, the Article Club (monthly), and the new event formats trialled which including headshots and a cinema outing. Both events are to be offered again in 2021 with the NFSA hopefully the location for the cinema outing.</p> <p>She acknowledged that the branch provided two full bursaries and one partial bursary to support ACT members to attend the 2019 conference in Alice Springs, an increase on previous years offerings due to the significant cost associated with the remote location.</p> <p>Rowan acknowledged the volunteer work of the Conference committee and members of AMaGA ACT in preparation for the now postponed 2020 Canberra conference. After a small break due to COVID-19, work is beginning again to get the conference ready for its 2021 dates.</p> <p>A major achievement reported was the establishment in 2019 of the ACT Branch Internship Prize for students doing an internship as part of their studies in the ANU Centre for Heritage and Museum Studies and the ANU Centre for Art History and Art Theory. Instigated by membership officer Sheridan Burnett the prize is a great way to integrate students with AMaGA and create a lifecycle of student to member.</p>

	<p>Rowan reported that members of the branch committee were active with National Council throughout 2019 with a member of the committee in attendance at each face-to-face National Council meeting.</p> <p>Rowan acknowledged Carol Cartwright (CC), Roger Garland (RG) and Sheridan Burnett (SB) for their additional efforts in supporting broader AMaGA activities and programs. CC contributes greatly to the planning and delivery of the national conference program, RG worked to update our web content, while SB has taken oversight of Branch membership and investigation ways to promote the benefits of memberships to students at the universities.</p> <p>Rowan opened the floor to questions. None were asked.</p> <p><i>Motion: That the 2019 Annual Report be accepted.</i> <i>Moved: Rowan Henderson</i> <i>Seconded: Carol Cartwright</i> MOTION CARRIED, no opposed/no abstains</p>
<p>4. 2019 Financial Report</p> <p>Paper: 2019 Financial Report</p>	<p>Kate Armstrong, Vice President, delivered the 2019 Financial Report on behalf of Grace Blakeley-Carroll (an apology) and tabled the <i>Branch Income Statement</i> and <i>Income and Expense</i> record sheets.</p> <p>Kate reported that 2019 was another productive and sustainable year for the AMaGA ACT Branch.</p> <p>Income in 2019 was \$14,456.05. This was slightly higher than our 2018 income of \$14,019.35, due to an increase in memberships (compared to 2018 total memberships increased by 5). This increase reflects a cycle of membership income being higher one year and lower the next.</p> <p>The Branch's expenditure was \$10,981.01, slightly higher than 2018 at \$8,694.13 as 2018 expenses were lower due to the cancellation of a major event. The increase was well within budget.</p> <p>Kate echoed Rowan's thanks to the national institutions who often provided events with no event-hire costs. Kate outlined that Branch expenditure in 2019 included venue hire (including a cinema), security, bursaries, professional services for members (e.g. photography), and hospitality.</p> <p>Overall, two thirds of Branch expenditure covered professional development and networking events, and one-third on bursaries. This is a similar breakdown to 2018 expenses. The Branch provided two full bursaries and one partial bursary for the AMaGA 2019 conference in Mparntwe (Alice Springs). The Branch also dedicated funds to sponsor two buses to be used for offsite sessions at the 2020 AMaGA conference which be rolled over to 2021.</p> <p>Kate indicated that due to end of year administrative delays, a total of \$541.00 of 2019 expenses will be paid out of the 2020 expenditure budget.</p> <p>Kate opened the floor to questions. None were asked.</p> <p><i>Motion: That the 2019 Financial Report be accepted.</i> <i>Moved: Kate Armstrong</i> <i>Seconded: Vicki Northey</i> MOTION CARRIED, no opposed/no abstains</p>

<p>5. AMaGA ACT Branch Committee Election 2020-2022</p>	<p>Rowan called to the lectern Rebecca Coronel to act as public officer for the Branch Committee Election. Rebecca checked that nominations for positions had been called for and received, ruling that there was no need for an election and interim positions undertaken during the COVID-19 situation could be conferred.</p> <p>Rowan Henderson – President Kate Armstrong – Vice President Holly Anderson – Secretary Grace Blakely-Carroll – Treasurer</p> <p>Ordinary Members Amy Wolgamot Craig Middleton Vicki Northey Ben Pratten Anna O’Leary Sheridan Burnett Peter Mascini</p> <p><i>Motion: That the Committee members be accepted.</i> <i>Moved: Rebecca Coronel</i> <i>Seconded: Penny Grist</i> MOTION CARRIED, no opposed/no abstains</p> <p>Rowan thanked outgoing members Carol Cartwright, Roger Garland, Penny Grist and Karina Libby for all their contributions to the AMaGA ACT Branch Committee.</p>
<p>6. Other business</p>	<p>Rowan thanked head office for all their support during 2019, with special thanks going to Alex Marsden who is stepping down as Director of AMaGA in the coming months. Rowan highlighted Alex’s contributions to the Indigenous Roadmap and in improving governance of head office and invited Alex to still come to the 2020 AMaGA ACT Branch Christmas Party.</p> <p>Last business was what the branch committee is attempting to salvage of 2020. Some events will go ahead for professional development in conjunction with the webinars being provided through AMaGA. In November there will be an Indigenous Walk of Black Mountain and the December end of year event.</p> <p>Penny Grist thanked Rowan for being an excellent President.</p> <p>Meeting closed 5:54pm and was followed by a tour of the newly refurbished NAA exhibitions spaces by Caroline Webber.</p>