



Minutes

Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

Council Conference May 14 & 15th 2022
at 8:00am (AEDST)

Attendees

MAAA Executive	Position	Date of Attendance
Tim Nolan (TN)	MAAA President	14th & 15 th May
Michael Hobson (MH)	MAAA Vice President	14th & 15 th May
Gary Pope (GP)	MAAA Treasurer	14th & 15 th May
Greg Petherick (Sec)	A/ Federal MAAA Secretary	14th & 15 th May
Mitch Bannink (MB)	MAAA Safety Manager	14th & 15 th May
MAAA Council Representatives		
David Rose (DR)	President AWA	14th & 15 th May
Steve Millar (SM)	Vice President ACTAA	14 th May
Ross Finocchiaro (RF)	President ANT	14th & 15 th May
Michael Rutledge (MR)	President TMAA	14th & 15 th May
Craig Burkhardt (CB)	Vice-President MAAQ	14th & 15 th May
Randall Mowlem (RM)	Treasurer MAAQ	14th & 15 th May
Michael Dallmann (MD)	Dev Officer MAAQ	14th & 15 th May
Reeve Marsh (RM)	President VMAA	14th & 15 th May
Joe Finocchiaro (JF)	Secretary VMAA	14th & 15 th May
Arthur Bablis (AB)	Treasurer VMAA	14th & 15 th May
David Mifsud (DM)	President MASA	14th & 15 th May
Brett Oakley (BO)	Secretary MASA	14th & 15 th May
Jeff Ramsay (JR)	Treasurer MASA	14 th May
David Kennedy (DK)	Vice-President ANSW	14th & 15 th May
Clive Weatherhead (CW)	Secretary ANSW	14th & 15 th May
David Lewis (DL)	Registrar ANSW	14th & 15 th May
Gary Tansley (GT)	President CLAS NSW	14th & 15 th May
Joan McIntyre (JcM)	Secretary CLAS NSW	14th & 15 th May
Terry Bond (TB)	President NSWFFS	14th & 15 th May
Roy Summersby (RS)	Vice President NSWFFS	14th & 15 th May

Apologies – Nil

1. Opening introduction – MAAA President

Welcome attendees and provided an overview of the intent of the conference and general housekeeping for the 2022 Conference.

1.a. Clarification of Delegates for Conference – MAAA Vice-President

ANSW have a membership percentage greater than 20% of the total association members and are entitled to three delegation votes at this conference.

2. Minutes from 2021 Conference – MAAA President

Motion – Acceptance of previous 2021 Conference Minutes – Proposed Terry Bond, Seconded David Rose – Motion Passed by majority

3. Option Action Items from 2021 Conference – MAAA President

No Open action items discussed

4. 2022 MAAA Reports – MAAA President

Field Reports were submitted and tabled with the agenda
MAAA President included reports from the MAAA Executive

Motion – Acceptance of Reports as tabled – Proposed ANSW, Seconded FFNSW – Motion Passed by majority

5. 2022 MAAA Treasurers Report – MAAA Treasurer

\$4.5m in Nett Assets with surplus of \$349K. Forecasting a \$221K surplus due to expenses.
Revenue is on target.

The budget was completed by the Executive and not just by the Treasurer.

Motion – Accept MAAA 2023 Financial Report – Proposed VMAA, Seconded ANSW – Motion Passed unanimously

6. Proposed MAAA 2022/23 Fees and Budget – MAAA Treasurer

Presentation of proposed Budget and assumptions made to determine full budget.

Motion – MAAA Fees for 2023 will remain as per the 2022 Financial year - Proposed by Tim Nolan, unanimously accepted

Motion – Accept MAAA 2023 MAAA Budget – Proposed VMAA, Seconded ANSW – Motion Passed unanimously

Motion – Maintain existing Auditor (Peter King) – Proposed MASA, Seconded ANT – Motion Passed unanimously

7. 2022 Club Assistance Scheme – MAAA President

MAAA has received between \$80-\$90K to date.

Motion – MAAA Executive to Review applications and table recommended allocations – noting the budget is \$60K – Proposed ANT, Seconded MASA – Motion Passed unanimously

8. Major Events – All attendees

General discussion about West Wyalong and 75th anniversary celebrations.

9. MAAA Elections and Appointments – MAAA President

Motion – MAAA Treasurer for the next three years is Gary Pope – Elected unanimously with no opposition to the motion

Motion – MAAA Safety Manger is Mitch Bannink – Elected unanimously with no opposition to the motion

Motion – MAAA Public Officer to be David Mifsud, FAI Interim Delegate to be the MAAA President, with the delegate to be the National Vice President – Proposed MAAA President - Motion Passed unanimously

10. MAAA Awards – MAAA President

Recognition of MAAA Members who have passed away in the past year:

- Kevin Cowdry
- Tony O’Dell
- John Miles
- Adrian Bryant
- Ken Ward who passed away whilst in office in Tasmania
- Stuart Dean
- Peter Lindsay Rowland
- Jim Ray
- Paul Winter
- John Gottschalk
- Ian Milligan
- Keith Moorhouse
- Eddie Osborne

No nominations received for Life Members.

Three nominations were received for the MAAA service awards.

Motion – MAAA Service Awards were approved unanimously.

11. CASA Safety Presentation (Part 1) – Mark Lewis Senior CASA Inspector (RPAS)

Presentation provided from Mark Lewis – Open discussion with all participants. Details of the presentation surrounding area approvals and risk assessments are available from your state secretary.

12. MAAA 2021 Survey Results – Andrew Sills, Commercial Marketer

Andrew Sills presented the results of the MAAA survey. Further information can be obtained from your State association.

13. Overview of Current MAAA Database and Proposed Future – MAAA Secretary

Presentation distributed to Conference Portal and can be accessed when required.

A demonstration of a new system was also provided to the Council as part of the recommendation to move away from the existing system.

Day One Completed at 5:15pm

Agenda Items Day Two – 09:00 - 15th of May 2022

As per proposed Conference Agenda

14. CASA Safety Presentation (Part 2) – Mitch Bannink

Completed the Remaining details of the presentation CASA Safety Presentation that was started by Mark Lewis – Open discussion with all participants. Details available from your State Secretary.

15. Motions as Per Agenda Item 20– All Attendees

Agenda Item 20 – First Dot Point - Accept the amended Section 13A.4 of the Statement of Rules

Motion - Amended Section 13A.4 of the Statement of Rules – Proposed MAAA Vice President, seconded by MASA – Motion was passed 15 votes to 11 votes in relation to Executive Council.

Item 20 Second Dot Point 2 - Accept the proposed amendments to Section 27A (part 27A.1, 27A2) of the existing Statement of Rules in relation to when office bearers are elected and the rotation cycle of re-election.

Motion - Amendments to Section 27A (part 27A.1, 27A2) of the existing Statement of Rules - Proposed MAAA Executive, Seconded by TMAA - Motion Passed unanimously

16. Motions as Per Agenda Item 21– All Attendees

Use of Technology and Annual Conferences – 4 Motions under consideration for Council.

Motion 1- The MAAA Council acknowledges the importance of delivering value to our members and maximising the resources of our members. As such, the Council resolves to utilise

technology (including video conferencing) to reduce costs wherever practical and appropriate, including but not limited to the holding of the MAAA Annual Council Conference.

Motion 2- To minimise the cost to members, unless otherwise resolved by Executive Council, all future in person Annual Council Meetings will be constituted as an Executive Council only.

Motion 3- To minimise the cost to members, unless otherwise resolved by Executive Council, all future Annual Council Meetings will alternate between an electronic only meeting (with all delegates attending via teleconference) and physical meetings (with all delegates either attending in person or via teleconference).

Motion 4 -To minimise the cost to members, unless otherwise resolved by Executive Council, all future physical conferences are to be held in Sydney, Brisbane or Melbourne (based on the cheapest location to host the conference).

Motion 1, 2, 3 & 4 - Item 21 – Use of technology and annual conferences – All motions were rejected unanimously.

Note: All future annual Council Conferences will be held in person.

17. Closed Session

18. General Agenda Items – All Attendees

Amendments of SAM 1788 Rules – as proposed by Free Flight NSIG as per Agenda items provided to all delegates.

Motion – Adoption of new SAM 1788 Rules for 2023, these to be approved by Executive Council - Proposed MAAA President – Motion Passed unanimously

SFI Co-ordinator - A designated MAAA SFI Coordinator should be appointed. The MAAA Council should consider tightening up this directive by simply replacing the word suitable with required.

Motion – Appointment of National SFI, to be Chaired by MAAA Safety Manager - Proposed by VMAA Secretary, Seconded by MASA – Motion accepted unanimously

R/C Solo Rating Requirements – Clarify the MOP027 requirement regarding solo rating for R/C flying. The vast majority of Melbourne based clubs and some Victorian country clubs already use the Bronze/Silver Wings as a basis for their solo rating.

Motion withdrawn by VMAA

Access to Full Insurance PDS -State associations to receive full copy insurance PDS

Process around FAI - How it works - Presentation will be arranged for Council members. Action item will be scheduled into upcoming Council meeting.

Responsibilities of MAAA Executive and Council -Raised by AWA President
General discussion by all members on the role of Executive and how it can be improved.

Motion – Future MAAA Land Purchase – proposed by FFNSW

General discussion on the necessity of a site visit by the MAAA before future land purchases should be considered.

Motion – To insert an additional definition within the MOP to ensure that the Review Group performs a physical site inspection - Proposed by NSWFF, Seconded by ANSW – Motion Accepted unanimously

Action – Executive to adjust and re-publish the MOP

Final review of the MAAA Budget – Proposed by MAAA Treasurer

- Minor changes to proposed budget in light of decision made during the course of the Conference.

Motion – Acceptance of Budget Updates proposed by ANSW, Seconded by VMAA – Motion Accepted unanimously

19. End of Conference

Day two completed at 2:50pm