

Minutes

Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

Executive & Council Presidents Meeting September 29 at 8pm (AEST)

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1. Attendees

1.2 Attendance List

Name	Position	
MAAA Executives		
Tim Nolan (TN)	MAAA President	Υ
Gary Pope (GP)	MAAA Treasurer	Υ
Mitch Bannink (MB)	Safety Office	Υ
Rhyll McCormack (RM)	Federal Secretary	Υ
MAAA Council Representatives		
Mick Dallmann (MD)	President MAAQ	Υ
Rodney Clarke (RC)	Secretary MAAQ	N
David Rose (DR)	President AWA	Α
Ross Finocchiaro (RF)	President ANT	Υ
Craig Burkhardt (CB)	Vice-President MAAQ	Υ
Reeve Marsh (RM)	President VMAA	Υ
David Kennedy (DK)	Vice-President ANSW	Υ
Gary Tansley (GT)	President CLAS NSW	Υ
Terry Bond (TB)	President NSWFFS	Υ
Brett Oakley (BO)	Vice President MASA	N
David Lewis (DL)	Federal Registrar	N
Clive Weatherhead (CWH)	Secretary ANSW	N
Jeff Ramsay (JR)	Treasurer MASA	Υ
Randall Mowlam (RM)	Treasurer MAAQ	Υ
George Atkinson (MD)	MAAQ Development	N
Roy Summersby (RS)	Secretary NSWFF	Υ
Joe Finocchiaro (JF)	Secretary VMAA	Υ
Arthur Bablis (AB)	Treasurer VMAA	Υ
Michael Rutledge (MR)	President TMAA	Υ
Observer:		
Joan McIntyre		Υ

1.3 Apologies - David Rose

1.4 Proxies – N/A

2. Meeting Agenda

No	Item Description
3	Acceptance of year-end financial reports
4	Acceptance of Council Minutes
5	Member Services Position
6	General business
	6.1 Mt Wallace trees

6.2 Update on membership system

3. Acceptance of year-end financial reports; Gary Pope

GP: Income is solid and expenses well below budget. Income of \$712k was below budget by \$9k due mainly to Affiliations being \$13k below budget offset by unbudgeted Area Approvals revenue of \$5 k. Expenditure was below Budget by \$215k due mainly to restructuring the MAAA Executive and Marketing plus further COVID19 impacts on variable costs. Surplus for the year of \$200k was \$206k better than the Budget loss of \$6k. The net FY2022 income, costs & surplus was \$21k less than the forecast tabled in the May 2022 Council Conference.

Motion: That the MAAA financial reports as presented for the year ending 2022 are a true and correct record. Reeve Marsh / Craig Burkhardt. Motion passed.

4. Council Conference Minutes

Some basic spelling and recording issues noted and to be fixed by Rhyll.

Concern from many present that the minutes took too long to be distributed, and that when distributed not enough time was given to digest.

Minutes of Council meeting should be officially accepted at the next Council Conference in 2023, along with the minutes from the September 29 meeting.

RM: Asked all to raise issues with the minutes before the conference to save time during the 2023 Conference.

Action: Rhyll to fix basic errors in Council Minutes.

Action: Rhyll to provide 2023 Council Minutes in a more timely manner than 2022 minutes.

Action: Rhyll to list Motion for acceptance of 2022 Council Minutes on 2023 Conference agenda.

5. Member Services Position: Tim Nolan

Under the Proposed Changes to Executive Structure document, a Member Services Position was flagged as a necessary step forward for the MAAA structure.

TN: As flagged at the 2022 Conference, the appointment of a Member Services position was seen as necessary to keep the MAAA current online and to improve communications with members. Keith Quigg has been approached about taking on the position and is happy with the appointment.

RM: Noted – this is not an official Executive Committee position. No voting rights. This is a formal support role.

Action: Rhyll to set up MAAA email for Keith Quigg.

Action: Rhyll to invite Keith Quigg to next Council meeting for introductions.

6. General Business

6.1 Mt Wallace trees: Gary Pope & Tim Nolan

Background: Mt Wallace field is owned by the MAAA and requires work on trees/fencing to provide a safe space. Mt Wallace is an unusual site, with the MAAA paying the council rates. All other MAAA owned fields see the rates/upkeep paid by the club and/or state. Total cost of project \$27185.

The following was unanimously agreed on at the September Executive meeting:

- End game is to have a safe & attractive field
- John Gouge VMAA VP will manage the contractors & the overall Project
- Unanimous agreement at Exec that the project should proceed, but splits TBA.
- Note that this is the only MAAA Field where MAAA pays council rates. State body pays rates for all
 other fields.

Exec agreed unanimously to support a cost split between the MAAA and the State, with Council Meeting to discuss if Mt Wallace should contribute \$ to the project.

During the meeting:

GP: Gave background on the Mt Wallace trees and fencing.

General discussion on who should share the cost of the proposed works. VMAA and Mt Wallace have already spent considerable \$ on the field after it was purchased by the MAAA. Non-VMAA members concerned that it would set a precedent for other clubs if the MAAA contributed half costs. Suggestion the MAAA could provide a loan to Mt Wallace if not financial. Concern that the problem should have been flagged at the time the property was purchased by the MAAA.

Motion: The MAAA will contribute 1/3 of the cost of the safety works at Mt Wallace, with the VMAA to cover the remaining 2/3rds. Ross Finocchiaro/Terry Bond. Motion carried.

6.2 Update on membership system

Follow up meeting to be held with Greg Petherick / Dave Lewis to walk through with Council

General discussion on the new system, with some concerned the release was being rushed so that deadlines were made, but preference was for a slow, successful roll out. Communication around the new system needed to be improved.

MH: Noted system would not be released without Council first being given a walk through.

Action: Follow up meeting to be held with Greg Petherick / Dave Lewis to walk through with Council

MEETING CLOSE 9.30