



STAMP Annual General Meeting Minutes, 18/3/2005

Meeting opened at 4.35pm.

Present:

Stuart Walsh (Chair), Zaeem Burq, Anna Cai, Andrew Downes, Emily Duane, Chris Goddard, Chris Green, Jason Looker, Rogerio Manica, Maya Muthuswamy, Andrew Ng, Maya Ramakrishnan, Jennifer Slater, Amy Sullivan, Dimetre Triadis, Matthew Zuparic, Paul McCormick (Minutes).

1. *Attendance*

Apologies from Loretta Bartolini and Yao-ban Chan.

2. *Adoption of Agenda*

MOTION: *That the agenda be adopted in its current form.*

Moved: P. McCormick **Seconded:** M. Ramakrishnan

Carried without dissent.

3. *Welcome*

Stuart Walsh welcomed new and returning members to the AGM, on behalf of the committee.

4. *Constitution*

The chair called on the secretary to discuss the constitution. The constitution was circulated in its current form. There were no amendments proposed.

MOTION: *That the constitution of STAMP, the Statistics and Mathematics Post-graduate Group, be ratified.*

Moved: M. Muthuswamy **Seconded:** M. Zuparic

Carried without dissent.

5. *Reports*

Stuart Walsh read Loretta Bartolini's President's report in her absence. Loretta detailed the re-invigoration of STAMP since the beginning of semester two 2004, the events which have been run successfully, and upcoming events which have been planned. Loretta also acknowledged the work of the committee during her absence. The report is attached.

MOTION: *That the President's report be accepted.*

Moved: A. Sullivan **Seconded:** C. Goddard

Carried without dissent.



Paul McCormick reported on the state of membership in STAMP. There are currently sixty-two members. The report is attached.

MOTION: *That the Secretary's report be accepted.*

Moved: J. Slater **Seconded:** Z. Burq

Carried without dissent.

Maya Ramakrishnan reported on the state of STAMP finances. We garnish funding from the Department of Mathematics and Statistics as well as the University of Melbourne Postgraduate Association (UMPA). This has been spent on events with a social aspect designed to facilitate discussion between students, and foster a community spirit. The report is attached.

MOTION: *That the Treasurer's report be accepted.*

Moved: Z. Burq **Seconded:** M. Zuparic

Carried without dissent.

6. *Affiliation to UMPA*

Stuart Walsh discussed the importance of UMPA to STAMP in terms of resources (financial and otherwise) and the desirability of being affiliated.

MOTION: *That STAMP (Statistics and Mathematics Postgraduates Group) re-affiliate with UMPA as a postgraduate group.*

Moved: A. Downes **Seconded:** M. Muthuswamy

Carried without dissent.

7. *Elections*

MOTION: *That Matthew Zuparic be confirmed as the Returning Officer for the STAMP committee elections.*

Moved: P. McCormick **Seconded:** M. Ramakrishnan

Carried without dissent.

The Returning Officer (Matthew Zuparic) explained the voting procedure:

- Contested positions to be decided by a vote;
- voting will be by a show of hands, with a simple majority deciding;
- each office-bearer position is to be filled by a single candidate; and
- there is no limit to the number of general committee positions, so a vote will take place only if concerns are raised with regards to one (or more) of the candidates.



The Returning Officer called for nominations to the following positions:

- President

NOMINATED: *Loretta Bartolini*

By: J. Slater **Seconded:** Z. Burq

Loretta had previously indicated she would accept a nomination for the position of President, if one was forthcoming.

- Vice President

NOMINATED: *Stuart Walsh*

By: M. Ramakrishnan **Seconded:** Z. Burq

- Treasurer

NOMINATED: *Maya Ramakrishnan*

By: P. McCormick **Seconded:** J. Looker

- Secretary

NOMINATED: *Paul McCormick*

By: M. Ramakrishnan **Seconded:** S. Walsh

- General Committee

NOMINATED: *Emily Duane*

By: M. Ramakrishnan **Seconded:** A. Sullivan

NOMINATED: *Dimetre Triadis*

By: J. Slater **Seconded:** S. Walsh

NOMINATED: *Jason Looker*

By: S. Walsh **Seconded:** M. Ramakrishnan

NOMINATED: *Yao-ban Chan*

By: S. Walsh **Seconded:** E. Duane

Yao-ban had previously indicated he would accept a nomination for a position on the General Committee, if one was forthcoming.

No more nominations were received. As there were no contested positions, and no concerns were raised with regards to any candidate, a vote was deemed unnecessary. The Returning Officer declared the result of the elections, with the new committee being comprised of:



President: Loretta Bartolini
Vice President: Stuart Walsh
Treasurer: Maya Ramakrishnan
Secretary: Paul McCormick
General Committee: Yao-ban Chan
Emily Duane
Jason Looker
Dimetre Triadis

8. *Other Business*

- A games day/night had been suggested, Stuart Walsh inquired as to levels of interest for such an activity, the response was generally positive. The event will be further discussed by the committee.

Meeting closed at 4.46pm.