

Action Learning and Action Research Association Ltd

Annual General Meeting 2020

ALARA Website <u>https://alarassociation.org/?q=about-us/annual-general-meetings/alara-agm-2020</u> and Zoom platform

The electronic section of the meeting opened at 12:01 am, 6 November 2020 and closed at 12:00 pm (Noon), Thursday 19 November 2020 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time)

The Zoom section of the meeting opened at 9.00 pm, 19 November 2020 (Australian Eastern Standard Time).

1. Attendance: 8 members attended the electronic meeting (Diana Austin, Andrew Cook, Bob Dick, Marina Harvey, Brian Jennings, Eileen Piggot-Irvine, Michelle MacLaren-Redman, Shankar Sankaran)

Attendance at Zoom meeting: Chivonne Algeo, Colin Bradley, Andrew Cook & John Molineux

Total members attending AGM: 11

2. Apologies: Yoland Wadsworth and Deidre Seeto for the Zoom meeting

3. Minutes of the 2019 AGM of Action Learning, Action Research Association Ltd The minutes of the 2019 AGM of Action Learning, Action Research Association Ltd were accepted. Votes For: 9, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 2 (a copy of the Minutes are available at

https://www.alarassociation.org/sites/default/files/ALtd_Docs/AGM/ALARA_Ltd_2019AGM ______Minutes.pdf)

4. Annual Report for 2019/20

The Annual Report for 2019/20 was adopted - Votes For: 10, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 1 (a copy of the Annual Report is available at https://alarassociation.org/sites/default/files/ALtd_Docs/AGM/ActionLearningActionResear chAssociationLtdAnnualReport2020.pdf)

5. 2019/20 Financial Report

The 2019/20 Financial Report was moved by the Treasurer and accepted - Votes For: 10, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 1 (the Financial Report commences on page 15 of the Annual Report)

6. Auditor's Report

The Auditor's Report for 2019/20 was moved by the Treasurer and accepted - Votes For: 10 Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 1 (the Auditor's Report is on page 17 of the Annual Report)

7. Special Resolution: Change to the Constitution of Action Learning, Action Research Association Ltd

The Object is stated in Clause 6 of the Constitution.

6. Object

The company's object is to pursue the following charitable purpose:

To promote by all available means the scientific study, practice, research and teaching of Action Learning (AL), Action Research (AR) and Process Management (PM), and to bring together those of whatsoever professional discipline who are concerned with AL, AR and PM.

The Board proposes the following new wording for this Clause

6. Objective

The company's objective is to pursue the following charitable purpose:

To promote by all available means the study, practice, research and teaching of Action Learning and Action Research in all their forms, and to bring together people who are interested in or involved with Action Learning and Action Research.

(A Special Resolution must receive at least 75% of votes cast to be passed.)

Votes For: 10 Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 1. The Special Resolution was passed.

8. Election of Board

As there were no nominations for each position, no election was required.

a. President No nominations received.

b. Vice-President International No nominations received.

c. Marketing Coordinator No nominations received.

d. Membership Coordinator No nominations received

e. Publications Coordinator No nominations received

f. Research Coordinator No nominations received

g. Streams Coordinator No nominations received

h. Web Services Coordinator No nominations received

9. Appointment of Auditor

The Board recommendation that the 2020/21 annual audit be conducted by the Treasurer was accepted - Votes For: 11, Votes Against: 0 Votes Abstain: 0

10. Further discussions

There were three comments made on the electronic survey. These were:

- Great annual report well done.
- Nothing else from me but to say thank you to you all for the great work you are doing.
- Not sure about the use of the phrase "all available means" in the Special Resolution. ALARA seems to have a very 'male feel' at the moment – men in positions on the Board and male photos in the annual report, etc. – I am sorry I am not in a apposition to re-engage, but perhaps feminising the look of communications, and language used would help? Great to see Susan continues to be involved.

Chivonne Algeo will discuss the last comment with its author to help advise the Board.

Zoom section of the meeting closed 10.00 pm, 19 November 2020 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time)