

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT MOOT COURT, TC BEIRNE SCHOOL OF LAW

22 NOVEMBER 2022

Present: Kathryn Finlayson
William Isdale
Emily McClelland
John McKenna QC
Shane Montgomery
Laura Nicholls
James Rigby
Sam Walpole
Eugene White
By invitation Professor Rick Bigwood (Dean of the Law School)

Apologies were received from Georgina Morgan.

The meeting was opened by the President at 5:34 pm.

Minutes of Fifth AGM

It was noted that the draft minutes of the fifth Annual General Meeting of the Association were published on the UQLA website.

Resolved that those minutes be approved.

Annual Report and Financial Statement

The President tabled the Sixth Annual Report and the Financial Report for the period ending 30 June 2022.

It was noted that membership numbers and finances were stable.

General discussion then followed as to the operations of the Association.

In relation to the *Annual Breakfast*, it was proposed that this event be held in the second half of 2023 with Joanna Jenkins as guest speaker.

In relation to *Nota Bene*, thanks were extended to Sam Walpole, Laura Nicholls and others for the high quality of this publication. It was proposed that a focus of the 2023 edition be upon the UQ Pro Bono Centre and the role of alumni in Community Legal Centres and pro bono work. It was proposed that the 2023 edition be published shortly before the Annual Breakfast.

In relation to the *Orientation Week Programme*, the *Barristers Work Experience Programme* and the *Teaching Programme*, the ongoing importance of these programmes was discussed and noted.

In relation to the *Textbook Programme*, it was noted that the relevant textbooks are increasingly being published online in a way which is accessible to all students. Consideration will be given to whether this programme should now be discontinued.

In relation to the *Scholarship Programme*, it was noted that efforts are being made to establish further UQLA Scholarships with the benefit of matching funding from UQ.

In relation to the *Events Programme*, it was noted that the first Macrossan Lecture was scheduled for March 2023 with the Hon Hugh Fraser as the speaker. It was noted that one of the purposes of this lecture was to thank donors to the scholarship programme and allow them to meet and hear from scholarship recipients.

Resolved that the Fifth Annual Report and the Financial Report be adopted.

Election of Directors

Resolved that the following persons be elected to fill the vacancies on the Board:

- Renee Gilmour
- Kathryn Finlayson
- William Isdale
- Christian Jennings
- Bianca Kabel
- Emily McClelland
- John McKenna
- Shane Montgomery
- Georgina Morgan
- Laura Nicholls
- James Rigby
- Samuel Walpole

Further Business

There was no further business.

The President thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 6:22 pm.

Chairman