

Public Health Association of Australia

Minutes

2011 Annual General Meeting - Food and Nutrition Special Interest Group (FANSIG)

Tuesday 22nd November 2011
Food Futures Conference Hobart, Tasmania

Meeting commenced 1pm EST

1. Welcome / Apologies

Participants: Andrea Begley (Chair), Dr Christina Pollard, Simone Braithwaite (Minutes), Julie Woods, Lisa Yates, Judy Seal, Rosemary Stanton, Amanda Lee, Heather Yeatman, Alexandra King, Poonam Pannu, Stephanie McFaul, Deanne Condon- Paoloni, Jenny Hazelton, Danielle Gallegos, Julie Williams, Malcolm Riley, Jennifer Alden, Genevieve Cowie, Nola Caffin, Geoff Marks, Lisa Schubert, Debra Hector, Jane Scott, Nicole Senior, Marianne Pisani, Veronica Graham

Apologies: Bronwyn Ashton Karen Campbell, Patricia Carter, Sandra Murray, Kylie Ball, Fiona Cumming, Kathy Ride, Andrew Reynolds, Rosalie Shultz, Jacinta Dugbaza, Robyn Bowcock

Observing: Michael Moore (CEO PHAA)

2. Minutes of previous AGM held by Meeting Tuesday 10th October 2010 via teleconference

Minutes of the 2010 AGM were circulated via email.

Business Arising: FANSIG membership continues to grow, current membership at 340 members. It is one of the largest and most active PHAA SIGs.

Minutes of 2010 AGM accepted as generally true record.

3. Presentation of Financial Report

Job Profit & Loss Statement from PHAA national office items was presented to AGM participants (July 2010 to June 2011). Fewer FANSIG committee teleconferences have reduced this as a major expense and increased memberships have contributed to October Profit and Loss balance of \$1217.08.

Presented by Andrea Begley. Net Loss -\$73.91

Job Profit & Loss Statement as follows for 1 July 2010- 30th June 2011

Income – SIG Membership	\$1119.14
- SIG Income (Workshop)	\$236.36
-SIG Carried forward Income	-\$248.29
- Total Income	\$1107.21

Expense – SIG Meetings/expenses	\$545.45
- SIG scholarships/sponsors	\$0
-SIG Teleconferences	\$635.67
- Total Expense	\$1181.12

Net Profit (Loss) **-\$73.91**

Account Balance as of 31st October 2011 (due to SIG membership renewal fees) \$1217.08.

4. Election of Officers

Chair thanked all committee members for their work during the 2010-2011 year. Retiring committee members were Kylie Ball and Karen Campbell (Victoria) and Sandra Murray (Tasmania).

State Representatives/Executive: nominations have been received from the following people:

Queensland	Bronwyn Ashton
Victoria	Julie Woods
Tasmania	Judy Seal
South Australia	Patricia Carter
Western Australia	Andrea Begley, Christina Pollard

- Chair thanked remainder of committee for their nominations (as above) that were accepted.
- Chair announced that Andrea Begley and Christina Pollard have agreed to continue as national co-convenors for one more year until the AGM in 2012. Andrea Begley and Christina Pollards will have served a four-year term as National co-convenors at the end of 2012. FANSIG members to consider nominating for 2012-2013 term with appropriate seconders when nomination process enacted before 2012 AGM.

5. Work Plan and priorities for 2011

- Chair presented Achievements against Work Plan areas for 2010/11. Chair congratulated committee on these achievements. FANSIG has had another very productive year as outlined in the 2011 PHAA Annual Report.
- FANSIG Work plan priority areas are
 - 1. Policy Reviews
 - 2. Policy Developments
 - 3. Monitoring (for possible outcomes of interest)
 - 4. Advocacy
- Workplan efforts at times reactionary to government activity but recognition that at times FANSIG will need to be reactionary e.g., Issues Consultation Paper for National Food Plan- health professional meeting and submission. AGM participants requested no specific additions to the workplan.
- It is helpful when members are able to send the national co-convenors/committee members prior notice of upcoming items or submission of interest to FANSIGs advocacy work.
- Thank you to those members who contribute to policy reviews and submissions though out the year.
- The hard work of the national co-convenors Andrea Begley and Dr Christina Pollard throughout the year was noted at the AGM. Particular note was made of the high quality submission for the National Food Plan.
- Priorities for 2012 onwards as raised by those present:
 - A Future for Food 2- working with and further advocacy on a National Food Policy and environmental sustainability inclusion
 - Review existing policies-
 - Consider Position Statements for a) Food and Nutrition Policy and b) Dietary Guidelines
 - Continue discussions with Environmental Health SIG on the drafting of a Nutrition and the Environment Policy
 - Remember to advocate to PHAA membership
 - Upcoming submissions required-, Dietary Guidelines –anticipated by Feb 2012
 - Promote Food and Nutrition Policy Issues- workshop submitted to International Congress of Dietetics Sept 2012
 - Develop future nutrition advocacy workshops to enable members to up skill and become more active in FANSIG advocacy efforts.

6. Other Business

None

Meeting Closed at 1:30pm EST