



IABC NSW March 2023 Board Report

9 May 2023 – Board meeting

Chair: Anthea Cudworth
Attendees: Karen Godfrey, Cat Dundas, Luke Morgan, Chris Saxby, Alicia Baertsoen, Asha Oberoi, Jen Black, Jane Hamilton
Apologies: Megan Thomas, Catherine Hollyman, Andrew Blunt.

Last month's minutes: approved.

A conflict of interest was declared by Cat Dundas in relation to Item 2 as an employee of Westpac.

1. Governance

- The Board discussed the International Executive Board's proposed operating model and the Vice President shared feedback from recent meetings with other Chapters and IEB Board members.
- The Secretary has further enhanced governance of the Chapter, with documentation covering Director meeting attendance to ensure compliance with the governing code, and a separate document to monitor outstanding actions from Board meetings.
- Directors were asked to complete a one-page description of their role to enable succession planning and cover in the case of absences.

2. Financials

- The Treasurer shared the March and April Treasurer reports, noting the strong bank balance in the Chapter's current account
- An update was provided in relation to the Term Deposit, for which the renewal request had not been executed by Westpac, and a lower rate had been provided. The Treasurer had made a formal complaint and the Board gave in principle support to explore new options for the reserves account should there be no resolution with the current provider.

3. Members

- The Chapter currently records 105 members, with 9 new members and up to 10 in the current pipeline of renewal.
- Directors agreed to cross-check members against the buddy list to contact imminent renew opportunities.
- Further analysis of the membership data is ongoing.

4. Events

- A very successful networking event was held in Sydney with positive feedback
- The next event, on 17 May, has 26 people registered, and is a panel conversation on crisis communications, being held virtually.
- Planning for the subsequent event is underway, which will focus on artificial intelligence and be hosted by Microsoft.

5. Recognition

- The 2023 Gold Quills were an outstanding success for NSW with 10 successful entries from 25 awards, the highest in recent history.
- An event is being planned for September to honour these award winners.

It was agreed that updates on Mastermind Circles, GCCC accreditation and member research would be prioritised for the next meeting.

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