

## 2022 CAPaD AGM Minutes (Draft)

Held: 2 – 2-30pm, Sunday 21 August 2022, by Zoom.

Opened 1415.

### **Business**

1. Welcome
  - a. Present: Peter Tait, Barbara O’Dwyer, Gilles Rohan, Margaret Lee, Mark Spain.
  - b. Apologies: Cath Blunt.
2. Confirm [Minutes of 2021 Annual General Meeting](#), – Peter Tait  
Moved: Mark Spain, seconded Gilles Rohan; Accepted.
3. [Annual Report to members](#) – questions on the annual report Peter Tait  
Accept Annual Report. Moved: Gilles Rohan, seconded Barbara O’Dwyer; Accepted.
4. Treasurer’s Report – Mark Spain
  - a. Accept Auditor’s Report and Financial Statement (see separate report)
    - i. Discussion of the insurance costs as a concern, with increased premium from \$589 to \$615 even though we have minimal risks because we are only meeting on zoom, despite reduction in cover from \$20 million to \$10million. We need members to help pay for these basic costs. Basic costs also include website, zoom.
    - ii. Donations have been good, and important and beneficial for projects.
    - iii. Gilles working on fund raising ideas.  
Moved: Mark Spain, seconded Margaret Lee; Accepted.
  - b. Appoint Auditor for this financial year  
Moved that we continue with Neville Hurst as the relationship is working well: Moved: Mark Spain, seconded Barbara O’Dwyer; Accepted.
5. Election of Committee  
Returning officer appointed (Margaret Lee)

<b>Position</b>	<b>Nominations</b>
a. Co-convenors (2 vacant positions) –	Peter Tait, nominated Cath Blunt,
seconded Gilles Rohan;	

No other nominations received.

b. Deputy Co-convenors (2 vacant positions) –

No nominations received.

c. Secretary (1 vacant positions) –

No nominations received; to put out a call.

d. Ordinary Member(s) (up to 6) –

i. Nominations: Gilles Rohan, nominated Peter Tait, seconded Cath Blunt;

ii. + 3 vacant positions.

Other nominations: none received; put out a call.

6. Other Business

a. Change of Constitutional Objectives

i. to prepare for Donor Gift Recipient status in 2023:

Proposal: to establish a Public Fund named the Awakening Democracy Foundation and in order to do so, add the following objective to CAPaD's constitution:

*(new 5) To establish and maintain a public fund to be called the Awakening Democracy Foundation for the specific purpose of supporting the educational objects of CAPaD. The Fund is established to receive all gifts of money or property for this purpose and any money received because of such gifts must be credited to its bank account. The Fund must not receive any other money or property into its account and it must comply with the relevant subdivision of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.*

Moved: Peter Tait, seconded Margaret Lee; Adopted.

ii. Change *government* to **parliament** in Objectives (2) and (3) so these will now read:

(2) stimulating and facilitating opportunities for citizen and community input to parliament deliberation,

(3) developing and assisting citizen and community capacity to hold parliament more directly accountable.

Moved: Peter Tait, seconded Mark Spain.

Motion to amend the initial motion: to make parliament plural: parliaments.

Moved Gilles Rohan, motion withdrawn subject to the discussion.

Discussion. Unclear about the purpose of the change and whether the nuances between government and parliament would be understood by members; further discussion about *members of parliament* as a focus.

Motion lost.

New motion: that we need to discuss this further, more broadly within our membership based on a more detailed discussion paper explaining the need for the change: refer back to the Committee.

Moved Margaret Lee, seconded Mark; Adopted.

b. New Other business:

- i. motion: to authorise the Committee to set up the Foundation in line with the constitutional change just agreed.

Two steps: adopt a set of Rules based on the Tax Ruling 95/27 and recruit to the Fund Committee.

Moved: Peter Tait, seconded Mark Spain; Adopted.

- ii. Appoint a new Public Officer.

Nomination: Mark Spain Moved: Peter Tait, seconded Barbara O'Dwyer; Selected.

- iii. Committee congratulates Peter to research with the tax office to get the DGR application made cost effectively. Moved Mark Spain: seconded Gilles Rohan; Adopted.

- iv. Peter congratulates Mark for being a robust treasurer in questioning the value of paid legal advice to reach this position with the application.

7. Conclusion of Annual General Meeting: 1535.