The Australian National University Computer Science Students' Association

Minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting
Held on 16 August 2012, Room N101, Computer Science and Information Technology Building, ANU

Attendance

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1. Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting opened at 5:12pm.

The President appointed the Secretary (Andrew Donnellan) to chair the meeting. The Secretary appointed Teresa Bradbury to take the minutes.

**Apologies**: James Fellows, Dulitha Ranatunga.

The outline for the meeting was explained by the chair, including the agenda and the ANUSA standing orders.

2. Minutes from the Previous Meeting (including Matters Arising)

**MOTION**: That the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting be accepted.

Moved: Joshua Chubb
Seconded: Michael Shlegeris
**Motion carried [2012/AGM/01]**
(Against: Alexander Mascolo)

3. Reports and Matters Arising

3.1. Annual Report (Khoi-Nguyen Tran)

The President, Khoi-Nguyen Tran, went through the Annual Report. He thanked the committee and volunteers, as well as the Research School of Computer Science and Julie Arnold.

On behalf of the committee, the chair thanked Nguyen for his service as President and in particular his role in resurrecting the club.

**MOTION**: That the annual report be accepted.

Moved: Michael Shlegeris
Seconded: Josh Chubb
**Motion carried [2012/AGM/02]**
(Against: Alexander Mascolo)

3.2. Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report (Fiona McCarthy)

The Treasurer, Fiona McCarthy, went through the treasurer’s report and financial statements. She reported that the CSSA is in a much better financial position than last year and that a more detailed breakdown of the financial reports would be made available upon request.

**Question**: How much assets do we have?

**Answer**: Some. It is hard to calculate depreciation for many of our assets.

**Question**: Why did the laser tag have a negative cost?

**Answer**: We made a profit.

**MOTION**: That the financial statements and treasurer’s report be accepted.

Moved: Robert Offner
Seconded: Michael Shlegeris
**Motion carried [2012/AGM/03]**
(Against: Alexander Mascolo)
4. Elections

4.1. Appointment of Returning Officer
James Thomson was appointed unopposed as returning officer.

4.2. President
Written nominations were received from Robert Offner and Joshua Chubb. No nominations for president were received from the floor.

Robert Offner addressed the meeting. He said he would have the club room open longer, have more academic events and shorter committee meetings.

**Question:** How can we be sure you will be reliable?
**Answer:** This is not an issue any more. I was not very healthy before but I have improved.

**Question:** What is your policy on liaising with companies?
**Answer:** I’m generally for it, just so long as we agree with what they stand for.

Joshua Chubb addressed the meeting. He reminded people that he was on the outgoing committee and said he would work for shorter meetings. He also wanted to see more use of the club room as a common room and wished to add a library. He also had a plan for the general representatives.

**Question:** What are the details of your plan for the general representatives?
**Answer:** We would have
2 media people (updating Facebook, website etc)
2 people running events (1 Epic Games Night, 1 other events)
1 catering officer (including stocking the club room)
1 industry liaison
1 for academics (library and academic events)

**Question:** Why do we need a library when we have the internet?
**Answer:** Mainly for textbooks that cannot be obtained easily from the internet.

The chair thanked the Ursula Hall IT group for the provision of the ballot box.

**Robert Offner was elected as President.**

4.3. Vice-President
Written nominations were received from Joshua Chubb, Fiona McCarthy and Dulitha Ranatunga. No nominations for Vice-President were received from the floor.

Joshua Chubb did not address the meeting.

Fiona McCarthy addressed the meeting. She said that as Vice-President she wouldn’t be a driver of the club’s direction but would work to support the President’s direction for the CSSA. She would also attempt to represent the CSSA well. Fiona received no questions.

In Dulitha Ranatunga’s absence, the chair read Dulitha’s statement.

**Fiona McCarthy was elected as Vice-President.**
4.4. Treasurer
Written nominations were received from Chanakya Goli, Teresa Bradbury and Fiona McCarthy. Fiona McCarthy withdrew her nomination before the meeting. No nominations for Treasurer were received from the floor.

Chanakya Goli addressed the meeting. He said he is an actuarial student who does computing for fun. CSSA is his favourite club. He also wishes to see the CSSA move to a more modern, open source financial system.

**Question**: What kind of open source?
**Answer**: G-something. I can’t remember.

**Question**: You can choose not to answer this but what is your average grade for your actuarial subjects?
**Answer**: I choose not to answer that question.

Teresa Bradbury addressed the meeting. She said she is also an actuarial student but she does computer science as well. She stood for getting the job done.

**Question**: You can choose not to answer this but what is your average grade for your actuarial subjects?
**Answer**: HD.

**Teresa Bradbury was elected as Treasurer.**

4.5. Secretary
Written nominations were received from Chanakya Goli, Joshua Chubb and Andrew Donnellan. No nominations for secretary were received from the floor. Chanakya Goli and Joshua Chubb withdrew their nominations.

Andrew Donnellan addressed the meeting. Andrew said he had been on the committee since March last year and had been secretary since August last year. He had done a lot of work to update the paperwork of the CSSA.

**Question**: How many ANUSA people do you know by their first name?
**Answer**: A reasonable number.

**Andrew Donnellan was elected unopposed as Secretary.**

4.6. General Representatives
Written nominations were received from Joshua Chubb, Michael Shlegeris, Iris Abarquez, Jarrah Bloomfield, Mayank Daswani, Benjamin Bulluss, Abbie Wade, Christopher Claoue-Long, Jonathan Franz, Chanakya Goli, Fiona McCarthy and Joshua Worth. As Fiona McCarthy had been elected as Vice-President, her nomination was considered withdrawn.

Ben Creelman was nominated from the floor.

The chair granted each candidate 30 seconds to address the meeting.

The chair expressed thanks to everyone who nominated, even those who were unsuccessful.
Joshua Chubb, Michael Shlegeris, Jarrah Bloomfield, Mayank Daswani, Chanakya Goli, Iris Abarquez and Benjamin Creelman were elected as General Representatives.

Summary of Election Results

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5. Items for Resolution
There were no items for resolution.

6. Items for Discussion

6.1. CSSA Volunteers
The chair explained that the CSSA Volunteers was a new initiative. The CSSA's bigger events, like Epic Games Night, require a lot of work and the CSSA Volunteers group would allow people to help. This would include a Facebook group and a mailing list and would allow non-committee members to be more involved. Names of interested people were collected.

7. Notices of Motions
No notices of motion were presented.

8. Other Business
The chair thanked Reyes Gonzalez for providing “elephant ears” pastries.

8.1. Question Time
Question: Is there a generic email for contacting the CSSA committee?
Answer: Yes. It is anucssa@anu.edu.au.

The Chair sought leave for Ben Gill and Patrick Foley to address the meeting for 3 minutes. Leave granted.
Ben and Patrick said they were running for ANUSA on the Naked Ticket. They wanted more engagement with the clubs and with computer science societies, especially because the CECS reps are both from engineering.

The Chair sought leave to allow Sanjay Govindan and Caroline Skinner to address the meeting for 3 minutes. Leave granted.

Sanjay and Caroline said they were running for ANUSA as CECS reps for Common Thread. They wanted a lot more funding for societies as well as wanting to get to know the CSSA better and to distribute the money to make the CSSA events bigger and better. They also wanted better liaison between ANUSA and societies and for the CSSA to let ANUSA know what they need.

The Chair thanked the ANUSA candidates for displaying their interest in the CSSA and encouraged members to vote in the upcoming ANUSA elections.

9. Close
Meeting closed at 6:20pm.

Andrew Donnellan
Chair / Secretary

Teresa Bradbury
General Representative