



Action Learning and Action Research Association Ltd Annual General Meeting 2023

ALARA Website <https://alarassociation.org/about-us/annual-general-meetings/alaragm-2023> and Zoom platform

The electronic section of the meeting opened at 12:01 am, 24 October 2023 and closed at 12.00 pm (Noon), Tuesday 7 November 2023 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time)

The Zoom section of the meeting was scheduled to open at 10.00 am, Wednesday 8 November 2023 (Australian Eastern Standard Time), however a national outage of the Optus network (a major internet provider) in Australia prevented the meeting commencing. As an insufficient number of members had registered during the electronic section of the meeting for a quorum for the AGM, ALARA conducted the Zoom meeting at a revised time of 10.00 am, Tuesday 14 November 2023 (Australian Eastern Standard Time).

1. **Attendance:** 9 members attended the electronic meeting (Andrew Cook, Bob Dick, Brian Jennings, John Molineux, Clair Muntalima, Sumesh Nair, Edwin Pavy, Shankar Sankaran, Deidre Seeto)

Attendance at Zoom meeting: Colin Bradley, Andrew Cook, John Molineux, Emmanuel Tetteh. Kan Ottah joined via telephone, but had difficulty with sound, and his votes could not be obtained.

Total members attending AGM: 12 (11 voting, due to sound problems with Kan Ottah's device)

2. **Apologies:** Chivonne Algeo, Natalie, Dao, Yoland Wadsworth

3. **Minutes of the 2022 AGM of Action Learning, Action Research Association Ltd**

The minutes of the 2022 AGM of Action Learning, Action Research Association Ltd were accepted. Votes For: 11, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 0 (a copy of the Minutes are available at

https://www.alarassociation.org/sites/default/files/ALtd_Docs/AGM/ALARA_Ltd_2022AGM_Minutes.pdf)

4. **Annual Report for 2022/23**

The Annual Report for 2022/23 was adopted - Votes For: 11, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 0 (a copy of the Annual Report is available at

https://alarassociation.org/sites/default/files/ALtd_Docs/AGM/ActionLearningActionResearchAssociationLtdAnnualReport_2023SEC.pdf)

5. **2022/23 Financial Report**

The President moved that the Financial Report, which commences on page 15 of the Annual Report be accepted, which the meeting agreed - Votes For: 11, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 0

6. Auditor's Report

The Auditor's Report for 2022/23 was moved by the President and accepted - Votes For: 11, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 0 (the Auditor's Report is on page 17 of the Annual Report)

7. Election of Board

As the Returning Officer received no more than one nomination for each position, no election was required. These nominees were elected unopposed as indicated.

a. Secretary

Teshome Berhe – proposed by Colin Bradley and seconded by Andrew Cook. Teshome must first obtain an Australian director's number, which he is attempting to do, before he can take up the position of Secretary.

b. Vice-President International

Emmanuel Tetteh – proposed by Colin Bradley and seconded by John Molineux

c. Treasurer

Ngoc Minh Thu (Natalie) Dao – proposed by Colin Bradley and seconded by Andrew Cook.

8. Election of Committee Group's Co-ordinators

As the Returning Officer received no more than one nomination for each position, no election was required.

a. Indigenous AL / AR Coordinator

No nominations received.

b. Marketing Coordinator

No nominations received.

c. Membership Coordinator

No nominations received

d. Research Coordinator

Sumesh Nair – Proposed by Colin Bradley and seconded by Andrew Cook

e. Streams Coordinator

No nominations received

f. Volunteers Coordinator

Nelly Claire Muntalima proposed by Colin Bradley and seconded by Andrew Cook

g. Web Services Coordinator

No nominations received

At the meeting, Emmanuel Tetteh proposed Kan Ottah as Membership Co-ordinator, advising that Kan had already indicated a willingness to take on the role. The meeting agreed with the nomination, although it can only be for the next twelve months.

9. Appointment of Auditor

The Board recommendation that the 2022/23 annual audit be conducted by the Treasurer was accepted - Votes For: For: 11, Votes Against: 0, Votes Abstain: 0

10. Further discussions

There were four comments made on the electronic survey:

- Good Luck
- Thank you Colin for your hard work
- None
- Any chance of some online/virtual action learning sets being organized for members?

At the Zoom session, the members discussed the last comment and agreed gaining more information about the suggestion and initiating AL sets would be beneficial. They also discussed the planned conference in Sydney in 2024 and World Congress in 2025.

Zoom section of the meeting closed 10.40 am, 14 November 2023 (Australian Eastern Daylight Time)