



PESA Annual General Meeting Minutes

20 May 2024

**River View Room 4, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, 21 Mounts Bay Road,
Perth WA**

2024 Annual General Meeting Agenda

1. Chairman's welcome and Acknowledgement of Country
2. Attendance and apologies
3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous AGM held on 15 May 2023

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

To approve the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting of PESA as circulated to members.

4. Federal Executive Reports
 - a) Chairman's report
 - b) President's report
 - c) Treasurer's report

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

To accept the Federal Executive Reports as tabled.

5. Acceptance of the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for 2023

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

To accept the Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports for the year ended 31 December 2023.

6. Confirmation of Auditor for 2024 Financial Period – Stewart Brown Chartered Accountants of Chatswood, NSW.
7. Declaration of Office Bearers and Appointed Members of the Federal Executive
8. 2023 PESA Meritorious Service Award & Barry Goldstein Medal for Innovation, Collaboration & Communication in Geoscience
9. Recognition of Long Standing PESA Members
10. General Business

Special Business

1. Amendments to the Rule of the Association

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a **special** resolution:

That the Rules tabled at the Annual General Meeting and initialled by the chair of the Annual General Meeting for the purposes of identification (a copy of which has been circulated to Members) be adopted as the Rules of the Association in place of the current Rules.

1. Chairman's Welcome

Incoming PESA Chairman, Elinor Alexander, declared the PESA Annual General Meeting (AGM) open after noting that a quorum was present at 5:00pm (AWST) and welcomed all attendees.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendees (27): Daniel Ajibade, Elinor Alexander (incoming PESA Chairman and Chairman of the AGM), Tom Bernecker, Phillip Cooney (NSW/ACT Branch President), Adam Craig (WA Branch President), Chris Cubitt, Helen Debenham (President), Chris Elders, Andrew Farley, Katherine Giosefi, Peter Goyne, Cedric Griffiths, Sarah Harris (QLD Branch President), Jeff Haworth, Peter Hoiles, Mick Micenko, Tim O'Brien (VIC/TAS Branch President), Kim Owen, Nathan Parker, Matthew Quinn (Secretary), Robert Seggie, Greg Smith, Janny Spilsbury-Schakel (Vice President), Sharon Tiainen, Andrew Thompson, Christopher Watts (Treasurer), Xipo Zhang

Proxies (12): 12 proxies were held, voting in favour of stated resolutions except one vote against Federal Executive Reports (primarily because disagreed with the President's Report).

Apologies (1): Bruce McKay

3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous AGM held on 15 May 2023

The Chairman noted that the papers associated with the AGM had already been circulated to the members. It was assumed that everyone had had the chance to look at these documents.

The Minutes of the previous AGM meeting were tabled, and any questions, changes or comments were invited from the meeting. None were received.

Ordinary Resolution: To approve the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting of PESA held on 15 May 2023, as circulated to members.

Proposed: Helen Debenham

Seconded: Phillip Cooney

Carried by majority

4. Federal Executive Reports

The Chairman's Report, President's Report and Treasurer's Report as previously circulated to members were tabled, and any questions or comments were invited from the meeting. None were received

Ordinary Resolution: To accept the Federal Executive Reports as tabled.

Proposed: Sarah Harris

Seconded: Jeff Howarth

Carried by majority

5. Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for 2023

The audited Financial Statements for 2023 and Auditor's Report from StewartBrown as previously circulated to members were tabled, and any questions or comments were invited from the meeting. None were received.

Ordinary Resolution: To accept the Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Proposed: Andrew Thompson Seconded: Janny Spilsbury-Schakel Carried by majority

6. Confirmation of Auditor for 2024 Financial Period – Stewart Brown Chartered Accountants of Chatswood, NSW

Stewart Brown remain reasonably priced and their service performance continues to be good. Auditors are generally retained for a 5-year period, and FY2024 would be the third consecutive year of Stewart Brown conducting the audit. Board was in agreement to continue with Stewart Brown as the auditor for the 2024 financial period.

7. Declaration of Office Bearers and Appointed Members of the Federal Executive

In accordance with Rule 46(1), the two-year term for Office Bearers specified in Rule 46(2) and the rotation requirements stated in Rule 46(3), the financial members below continue in their positions on the 2024-25 Federal Executive:

President	Helen Debenham (WA)
Vice-President	Janny Spilsbury-Schakel (QLD)
Treasurer	Christopher Watts (WA)
Secretary	Matthew Quinn (WA)
Immediate Past-President	Bronwyn Camac (SA/NT)

Representatives of each State Branch (referred to as "Appointed Members") appointed as per Rule 55 to be the state branch representative on the Federal Executive and to hold office pursuant to Rule 45(2) are:

NSW / ACT	Phillip Cooney
Queensland	Sarah Harris
SA / NT	John Kaldi
Victoria / Tasmania	Tim O'Brien
Western Australia	Adam Craig

As per Rule 45(3), Dr Steve Mackie's term as Chairman will conclude at the end of the AGM, and the Federal Executive has appointed Elinor Alexander as his replacement.

8. 2023 Service Awards

Meritorious Service Award

The PESA Meritorious Service Award (MSA) recognises members who voluntarily provide exceptional service to PESA at State or Federal level over a significant period of time.

The 2023 MSA was awarded to Dr Chris Elders and Katherine Gioseffi.

Chris was recognised for voluntarily providing exceptional service to PESA as a WA Branch Committee member, field trip leader, organiser of PESA affiliated technical events including the Basins Workshop and Perth Basin Pitch, and a strong supporter of students at Curtin University, encouraging their involvement in PESA events and fostering their interest in the Oil and Gas Industry.

Katherine was recognised for voluntarily providing exemplary service to PESA with the steadfast pursuit of recruiting and retaining students and young career professionals to the upstream petroleum industry, and immense contribution to AEGC 2021 and AEGC 2023

The Barry Goldstein Medal

The Barry Goldstein Medal for Innovation, Collaboration & Communication in Geoscience was established to publicly recognise the value of these skills. PESA is therefore offering a new prize which honours those demonstrating an unusually high skill level in at least one of these criteria.

The 2023 Medal is awarded to Prof Simon Lang.

9. Recognition of long standing PESA members (See attached list)

On the anniversary of 10-years service, members were acknowledged by PESA. In particular, those listed below had achieved the milestone of 40-years continuous membership were recognised and those present at the meeting were called to the stage to receive their certificates from the chair of the PESA Membership Committee, Janny Spilsbury-Schakel. Those not present will receive their certificates at their next Branch Meeting.

Paul Williamson
Kevin Parker
Ghassan Rached
Paul Adams
Kym Mills
John Pitman
Geoff Wood
Glen Nash

Mark Devereux
Matt Fittall
Peter Goyne
John Kopcheff
Brenton Oke
Greg Smith
Gregory Solomon
Andrew Thompson

10. General Business

Letter tabled by Phillip Cooney on behalf of specified members of the NSW Branch. This was too late for consideration at the AGM, and will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Special Business

The amendments to the Rules of the Association were for the specific purposes to correct:

- inconsistencies in the rights of all current classes of members, particularly in terms of eligibility to be appointed or elected to the Federal Executive; and
- errors in cross referencing applicable Rules.

A copy of the Rules tracking the amendments was provided to Members in advance of the AGM, as well as, a clean version of the Rules.

Special Resolution: That the Rules tabled at the Annual General Meeting and initialled by the chair of the Annual General Meeting for the purposes of identification (a copy of which has been circulated to Members) be adopted as the Rules of the Association in place of the current Rules.

The special resolution was approved by a majority [Rule 95(1)], and the amended Rules were signed by twenty (20) Members, as Subscribers to the Constitution, present at the Annual General Meeting. Each signature was witnessed by the PESA Secretary, Matthew Quinn.

There being no other business, the AGM Chairman, Elinor Alexander, thanked those present for their attendance. The meeting closed at 5:18pm (AWST).

Signed as a true record of the meeting,

Elinor Alexander

Incoming PESA Chairman & Chairman of 2024 PESA Annual General Meeting