



## **MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS HELD IN SYDNEY ON 22 NOVEMBER 2007 AT 6.00 PM**

### **PRESENT:**

40 members entitled to vote were present at the meeting.

### **APOLOGIES:**

Apologies were received from Glen Heinrich, Chris Abood and Denis Street.

### **CHAIRMAN:**

ACS President Philip Argy chaired the meeting.

### **WELCOME:**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6.03 pm. He welcomed attendees and introduced the members of the Management Committee present.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Chairman pointed out that there was a typographical error in the draft Minutes circulated to members, as the word 'moving' in the Special Resolution 1 motion should have been 'removing'.

It was then moved by I Dennis, seconded R Cross,:

*that the Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting held on 17 November 2006, as amended, be confirmed.*

The motion was **Carried** on a show of hands.

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

The Chairman sought comments on the Annual Report but none were forthcoming.

It was then moved R Coutts, seconded K Denham:

*that the Annual Report (the Report of Management Committee (National Board), the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheets and the Auditor's Report) for the period 01 July 2006 – 30 June 2007 be received and accepted.*

The motion was **Carried** on a show of hands.

## **SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

It was moved K Parakala, seconded C Jaktman:

*that the Rules of the Australian Computer Society Inc be altered in accordance with the Notice of Special Resolution forwarded to members in June 2007 [to amend the ACS governance arrangements].*

The Chairman explained the background to this motion which was that in the interest of good governance the governing body of the Society, the Committee under the Act, needed to be reduced to a more manageable size and that all members of that committee should have one (1) vote on all questions.

A POLL was called and the summary of proxies was announced. A limited discussion followed which was in general fully supportive of the proposed governance changes.

After discussion ceased the Chairman asked eligible members to vote using the ballot slips provided. The ACS A/Chief Executive was directed to count the votes and Mr Barry Wong was appointed as scrutineer.

The motion was Carried, 97 votes For and 7 Against.

## **OTHER**

The Chairman accepted a motion from the floor and it was moved D Furini, seconded I Dennis:

*that the meeting acknowledge the ACS General Manager Sam Burrell for his efforts in steering the governance changes to completion.*

The motion was **Carried** on a show of hands.

The meeting also acknowledged the efforts of, firstly, David Bradshaw and then Adrian Porteous for their efforts as Chairman of the Governance Working Group which developed the new governance structure.

## **CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 6.20 pm

Signed as a correct record:

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P Argy  
Chairman