



Notice of the Science Teachers' Association NSW Inc.
Annual General Meeting
Monday 17 June 2024
at the STANSW Conference
Macquarie University

Scheduled time 1.15pm - 1.45pm

MINUTES

1. Welcome and attendees

In attendance: Amy Ayres (President), Julie Rogers (Treasurer), Lauren McKnight (Vice-President), Margaret Shepherd, Lisa Cabral, Robyn Gordon, Tracey-Ann Palmer, Jacqueline McCarthy, Kathryn Newton, Melissa Fogarty, Anjali Rao, Philippa Miller, Ken Baumgarner, Deborah de Ridder, Jennifer Ming, Malcolm Hooper, Nadine Voegeler, Wendy Speight.

2. Motion: To ratify the 2024 Science Teachers Association NSW Council and Executive.

Amy Ayres read the 2024 Science Teachers Association NSW Council and Executive: Amy Ayres (President), Lauren McKnight (Vice-President), Julie Rogers (Treasurer), Ken Baumgarner, Leda McFadzean, Robin Gordon, Tracey-Anne Palmer, Jacqueline McCarthy, Annie Martin, Kathryn Newton, Sophia McLean.

Motion to ratify the 2024 Science Teachers Association NSW Council and Executive was proposed by Phillippa Miller.

Seconded – Margaret Shepherd

All in Favour

Nil abstained.

3. Motion: To Accept the Minutes of 2023 Annual General Meeting

Motion to Accept the Minutes of 2023 Annual General Meeting was proposed by Jacqueline McCarthy.

Seconded – Tracey Ann Palmer

All in Favour – All in Favour

Abstained – Annie Martin, Wendy Speight.

4. Annual Report for 2023 STANSW Financial Year

- President
- Treasurers Report

Amy Ayres presented the 2023 Annual Report. 2023 was a notable year, as the new 7-10 syllabus was released. Additionally, STANSW consulted with NESA on the new Primary and Stage 6 syllabuses. The STANSW syllabus working group has since developed into a motivating group as we continue to work with our members, Heads

of Science and curriculum designers, to provide as much insight as possible. Robin Gordon and Ken Baumgarner have spearheaded this work to support the familiarisation, orientation and design in preparation for a 2025 launch of the 7-10 Science Syllabus.

In 2023, our membership remained strong and our council is committed to serving the needs of our community of Science Teachers. Our professional learning program was a resounding success, with feedback suggesting that members continue to value the online experience and opportunity to participate from afar.

Kathryn Newton presented the 2023 Financial Report as outgoing treasurer. 2023 saw a substantial increase in income in 2023 from the previous year. The increase indicates our further move towards financial sustainability. STANSW also managed resources effectively, which further strengthened our financial position. Kathryn thanked all STANSW volunteers, council members and staff in 2023 for their contribution to the association.

5. Motion: To award Julie Rogers a STANSW Life Membership for long term and extensive service to the Association.

Motion to award Julie Rogers a STANSW Life Membership for long term and extensive service to the Association was proposed by Jacqueline McCarthy.

Seconded – Wendy Speight.

All in Favour.

Julie Rogers Abstained.

Citation (read by Margaret Shepherd).

It is my great pleasure to award Julie Rogers a Science teachers Association NSW Life Membership.

Julie is a science education leader, and long serving member, volunteer and councillor at STANSW. She has benefited from quality professional learning provided by STANSW since her initial year of teaching 35 years ago. Julie joined STANSW Council 8 years ago to give back to the profession she loves, to pass on her extensive knowledge and contribute to the development of science teachers K-12. She is passionate about creating a legacy of effective practice, leading and developing teacher efficacy and assisting colleagues to continually develop as professionals. She has held the office of councillor 2016,2022-23 Treasurer 2017-2019 and Vice President 2020-21 and returns to the executive position of Treasurer in 2024.

Julie received an outstanding service award from the Professional Teaching Council for this service to STANSW and she hopes to inspire other likeminded teachers to volunteer to share their own passion for all things science especially their knowledge creativity and experimental skills especially with the new syllabus on the horizon.

6. Motion: To Appoint Tinworth and Co as the auditors of the 2024 STANSW financial accounts.

Proposed: Julie Rogers.

Seconded: Kathryn Newton.

All in favour.

Meeting Close – 1.44pm

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