

AGM and Elections

Notice is hereby given that the 32nd Annual General Meeting of Melbourne PC User Group Incorporated will be held on Wednesday, November 4th, 2015, at Level 1, 479 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin, at 8.15 pm.

Annual General Meeting Agenda

1. Apologies.

2. Minutes To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-
"That the Minutes of the 31st Annual General Meeting held on 5th November 2014, be approved as a true and correct record."

3. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-
That Rule 2 (first paragraph only) be replaced with "The purposes of the Association are—to conduct on a non profit basis activities to help members learn and use systems and devices using various technologies, especially computing, software, and communications technology (inc. the Internet and World Wide Web, personal computers & devices), to achieve the following outcomes;"

Note: Motions 3-14 are special resolutions and require not less than three-quarters of the members voting, whether in person or by proxy, to vote in favour of the resolution.

4. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-
That Rule 12 (1) be replaced with "The Association shall determine the amount of the annual subscription rates for each class of membership at a general meeting."

5. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-
That Rule 14 (2) be replaced with "The Committee may determine the terms of membership for student or concessional members. The members of the Association may vary such terms and conditions by ordinary resolution at a general meeting."

6. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 14 (5) be added as "Corporate Members. A corporation may in writing appoint two natural persons as its representatives and may replace representatives as required. A representative of a corporation shall have the same rights, duties and obligations as members including the right to appoint a proxy, however only one representative may become a member of the Committee." Then old Rules 14 (5) and 14 (6) be re-numbered as Rules 14 (6) and 14 (7) respectively.

7. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 31 (5) (e) be replaced with "to appoint an appropriately qualified person to review the financial statements according to the Act."

8. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 32 be replaced with "(1) The Association shall hold an election to be conducted by postal vote or appropriately secure electronic vote immediately prior to the annual general meeting for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary and eight other Committee members.

(2) The notice for the election shall include nomination forms that stipulate the closing date and time for receiving of nominations, and the address of the Returning Officer.

(3) An eligible member of the Association shall be nominated by two other members. The nomination must be in writing and be on the nomination form (or copy of it) provided to members with the notice of election and be signed by all three members."

9. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 37 (2) be replaced with "The quorum for a general meeting is the presence (physically, by proxy or as allowed under rule 36) of the greater of 30 members or 2% of the members entitled to vote."

10. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 37 (3) (b) (1) be replaced with "The meeting must be adjourned to a date not more than 35 days after the adjournment; and"

11. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 52 (4) be replaced with "Members nominating for positions may submit a statement of 200 words or less to the Returning Officer for publication on the Association's web site."

12. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 52 (5) be replaced with "A member may nominate for election for one or more officer position(s) as well as a Committee member position." AND that Rule 53 (3) be replaced with "Votes will be counted on a simple majority basis for each Officer position and each committee position. Votes for officer positions will be counted first, and in the order President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President. Where a person is elected as an officer and is the nominee in the election for any other office or as an ordinary member of the Committee, the second and any further nomination shall lapse. Votes are not transferable between positions."

13. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That Rule 31 (1) (b) be replaced with "at least 21 days notice of a general meeting in any other case."

14. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That the numbering in Rule 74 be corrected, by replacing the repeated occurrences of the paragraph numbers (2) and (3) with (4) and (5) respectively.

15. To consider and if thought appropriate pass the following resolution:-

That the annual subscription rates for members be set as follows:

Individual \$95.00

Family \$25.00

Pensioner \$80.00

Student A \$80.00

Student B \$35.00

Corporate \$190.00

Note: This is a procedural motion, there is no change in subscription rates.

16. Reports To receive the annual report from the President.

17. Election of Committee of Management

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and eight ordinary members of Committee.

18. Accounts

To receive and consider the Treasurer's report and, if thought appropriate, pass the following resolution: "That, in accordance with part 7 of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, the statement containing the Income and Expenditure of the Group for the year to 30th June 2015 and the assets and liabilities of the Group at 30th June 2015 be accepted".

19. Appointment of Auditor

To appoint an auditor to audit/review the financial accounts.

The auditor may not be a member of the Committee, however they shall be a member of either CPA Australia, the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia; or the Institute of Public Accountants, and shall be in public practice.

Nominations

Nominations are open for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and eight Committee Members for a 12 month period commencing November 2015.

Nominations of candidates shall comply with Rule 32.

Nominations must be received by the Returning Officer before 4.00 pm (AEST) on Friday 2nd October 2015. Nominations may be made on printed copies of the form available on the Annual General Meeting Notices web page:

<http://www.melbpc.org.au/events/2015-agm-notices/>

Nominations can be on that form, on a photocopy of that form or on any other form that includes all the information on that form.

Nominations must either be posted to or hand or courier-delivered to:

The Returning Officer

Melbourne PC User Group Inc.

Unit 26, 479 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin Vic 3189

Nominations delivered by fax or e-mail cannot be accepted. Nominations received after the closing time will not be accepted. Nominations not accompanied by relevant signatures will not be accepted. Each candidate may optionally submit a statement not exceeding 100 words [Rule 23 (6) (d)], in support of his or her nomination. This statement can be received after the closing time for nominations - candidates will be contacted and asked to forward their statements via email. Any statement exceeding 100 words will be rejected.

Geoffrey Keenan

Secretary