

**AUSTRALASIAN CORRECTIONS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
MINUTES FROM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD
29 OCTOBER 2007**

ATTENDEES:

Qld: Ron Cox, Jill Rowe, Buktha Sathurayar, Natasha Propsting

WA: Christine Laird, Ray Chavez, Delphine McFarlane, Minakshi Grover, Karen Herriott-Evans,

SA: Gerri Walker

NSW: Karen Banfield, Renee Rehbein, Annabelle McLoughlin, Peter de Graaff, Sharryn Usher, Beth Parnaby, Julie Whalen, Janice Navin, Nina Walker, Jean Dally, David Gould, Jo McAlpin

Vic: Ron Wilson, Ken Penaluna, Beth OBrien, Anika Dell, Maddy Harford, Kieran McCann

NT: Madonna Cochrane

APOLOGIES: Marty Burgess (Vic)

Chairperson: Ron Cox

Minutes: Jo McAlpin

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>	ACTION	Timeframe
1.	The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 14 August 2007, were approved by the meeting. Moved by Christine Laird. Seconded by Kieran McCann.		
2.	<p>PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Ron Cox</p> <p>Retirements: Deirdre Hyslop this year resigned as Treasurer and the role of Treasurer and Secretary was undertaken by Christine Sylva. Unfortunately due to ill health and a family tragedy, Chris was unable to continue, and also resigned. The contribution that Chris made to IFECSA and ACEA has been greatly appreciated.</p> <p>At the teleconference conducted on 14 August 2007, Karen Banfield and Jo McAlpin agreed to fill the two vacant positions until the election of officers could occur at the 2007 AGM. Both</p>		

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Karen and Jo have done much to bring membership records and membership applications up to date since the August meeting.

ACEA Newsletter: Thanks to Western Australia for the outstanding newsletters they have produced. They have been appreciated by members as they provide insight into what is happening in corrections education and training across Australia. A reminder to all states that it is important to contribute to the newsletter so as to share the “what works” with your counterparts in other states. The newsletters are available on the ACEA website.

Website: The new website www.acea.org.au is now well established and all minutes, newsletters, and conference papers are posted on the site. All IFEPS, IFECSA and ACEA conference papers are now available and can be either found on or requested from the website. The website also contains links to other international corrections associations and also relevant organisations within Australia that are associated with corrections education and training activities.

NCVER Book: All states contributed to the NCVER “Vocational Education and Training for Adult Prisoners and Offenders in Australia” (ed. Susan Dawe) launched at this conference. ACEA members made a significant contribution. Copies can be purchased from NCVER or accessed free of charge from the NCVER website. A link to the NCVER website can be found on the ACEA website.

2007 ACEA conference: I wish to acknowledge the work the Victorian Conference Steering Committee has contributed and to thank each and every one of them for the efforts they made to host the conference. As all previous conference committee members would know, a conference can only succeed as a result of many hours of effort that each steering committee has to make.

Research articles: Marty Burgess has been very active in finding research articles pertaining to corrections education and training and related areas. These articles are distributed by email and for that reason it is important that members who wish to receive the articles ensure that their email address is known to the Secretary.

International conferences: I was fortunate to be able to attend the 2006 European Prison Education Association (EPEA) Directors and Managers Conference in Prague. A copy of my

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	<p>report is available on the ACEA website. In July I and four other ACEA members represented ACEA at the Dublin EPEA Conference. The attendance of ACEA members at these conferences certainly raises the profile of ACEA.</p> <p>Thank you for the support that the committee and other ACEA members have given me over the last two years.</p>		
3.	<p>TREASURER'S REPORT- Karen Banfield</p> <p>Interim Treasurer reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$10,000 was forwarded to Victorian conference organisers as seed funding for the conference. • As of the 29/10/07 there were 44 financial members in ACEA. • The current financial balance (on 29.10.2007) is \$33,720.19 (including proceeds from conference) 		
4.	<p>ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:</p> <p>President: Nominations Ron Cox (Qld), elected Ron Cox (Qld)</p> <p>Vice- President: Nominated Christine Laird (WA, elected Christine Laird (WA)</p> <p>Secretary: nominated Jo McAlpin (NSW), elected Jo McAlpin (NSW)</p> <p>Treasurer: nominated Karen Banfield (NSW), Jan Navin (NSW), elected Karen Banfield (NSW)</p> <p>Research officer: nominated Marty Burgess (Vic), elected Marty Burgess (Vic)</p> <p>It was agreed that representatives from each State and Territory are to be elected from financial ACEA members of the State or Territory.</p>		

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	<p>Nomination forms and information detailing voting arrangements will be placed on the ACEA website (www.acea.org.au). Members will be notified by email when forms are posted on the website</p>		
5.	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corporate membership: There was a brief discussion about the need for corporate membership arrangements, which would incur a higher membership fee.• Juvenile Justice representative: It was proposed that Juvenile Justice be a subcommittee of ACEA and that a representative of Juvenile Justice be added to the ACEA committee, Moved by Ron Cox. Seconded by Kieran McCann. Passed unanimously.• Venue for 2009 conference: It was agreed to hold the next ACEA conference in Perth. This conference is to be held in conjunction with the 2009 Reintegration Puzzle conference conducted by Deakin University and WISE.		