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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of The International Fluid Power Society of Australia Inc. held on September 3, 2010, at The Royal Perth Yacht Club.

1.0 Welcome

The President, Tim Bailey opened the meeting at 9:15 pm and welcomed all members and guests.

2.0 Meeting attendance apologies

Apologies had been received from Alan Foote, Lloyd Hollier and Ian McDonald.

3.0 AGM 2009 minutes of meeting

The minutes of the 2009 annual general meeting that had been previously posted on the IFPSA website and that had also been printed and copies placed on all of the AGM dinner function tables were confirmed as correct with the unanimous acceptance of the minutes being proposed by Barry Catanach and seconded by Stuart Coleman.

4.0 Activities of The IFPSA during the last twelve months

The president advised and commented to the meeting as follows:

- 4.1 Three newsletters have been published since the last AGM. Stuart Coleman arranged the new format that has been well received by readers and sponsors. Stuart, who arranged and published the newsletters, was thanked as were the newsletter contributors and sponsors.

Additionally, Stuart maintained the IFPSA website and it continues to receive high levels of hits and flow-on enquiries.

- 4.2 Public and private training seminars were conducted by the IFPSA with Stuart Coleman being the organiser and lecturer. Ian Lavington and Trevor Pitcher assisted Stuart in the public seminar. All seminars were well subscribed.

- 4.3 Ten general committee meetings have been held since the last AGM with all being well attended.

4.4 The Society has:

- Conducted a very successful Golf day with thanks to **K One Fluid Power**, the platinum sponsor, all of the other sponsors, the participants and Ken Fletcher who was the main organiser. Ken was very ably assisted by Stuart Coleman.
- Conducted a very successful safety training evening with the showing of the recently purchased film *The Lethal Strike*. The film is to be shown in country areas as people are available to show it with Albany being the likely first location. The *Fluid Talk* magazine published in May 2010 and available on The Society's website: <http://www.fluidpowersociety.com.au/documents/media.html> contains the article including information on the importance of immediate treatment and the contact phone numbers for doctors in Perth, Western Australia, who are experienced at dealing with fluid injection injuries. The film is available to members for safety training.
- Conducted a Christmas function at the Irish Club.
- Conducted a technical evening that was sponsored by Hydac.
- Distributed the Fluid Power video *Fluid Power, a force for change* to all IFPSA members and selected companies.
- Set up the IFPSA website so that technical books can be purchased from The IFPSA using the very convenient 'Paymate' facility.

4.5 Curriculum Matrix – The IFPSA is establishing a charges schedule for the assessment of Curriculum Matrix award applicants. Ian McDonald of Challenger TAFE is providing valuable assistance in matching the Curriculum Matrix to national training competencies. Thanks are due to Barry Catanach and Ian for the work they're both doing in this area.

4.6 High Pressure Hose Assembly registration – more people are registering and interest is growing with major companies starting to incorporate a HPHA registration requirement in their engineering specifications.

The IFPSA general committee has determined that The Society should proceed with lobbying the Western Australian state government to introduce a licensing system for HPHA practitioners as too many accidents are being reported as a result of poor and inadequate HPHA procedures.

4.7 As a result of TAFEWA still not shown any particular interest in fluid power training, The IFPSA is proceeding with its own training and it is looking to expand The Society's training capability. Barry Catanach will be attending the IFPS AGM later this month and whilst at the meeting, he will hold discussions with senior IFPS people with respect to The IFPSA presenting online IFPS training in Australia and awarding IFPS qualifications.

4.8 Coming activities:

- Golf Day: Sept. 12 at the Lakelands Country Club that has excellent facilities and can accommodate a 'shot gun' start.
- *Introduction to Hydraulics* training seminar – Nov. 16.
- Christmas function in November with the date and location to be advised.
- A visit to a Collins class submarine is being pursued with the RAN.

The committee requests that members and guests keep a look out for suitable and interesting technical evening opportunities and advise a committee member accordingly – particularly, a presentation on the CanBus electronic control system.

- 4.9 The IFPSA is looking for young people to join The IFPSA general committee to maintain continuity as people retire. Volunteers needed!

5.0 Financial Report

The financial report was presented by Stuart Coleman – see separate document.

Financial report unanimously accepted – proposed, Brian Hill, seconded Barry Catanach.

6.0 General Business

There were no matters of general business on notice or raised at the invitation of the President.

The President thanked Stuart Coleman for his untiring efforts as the Executive Officer, Secretary and Treasurer and Barry Catanach for his work in the HPHA registration system and the Curriculum Matrix. He also thanked the following IFPSA committee members for their greatly-appreciated efforts in managing and running the affairs of The Society over the previous 12 months: Phil Bristow-Stagg, Ian Lavington, Lloyd Hollier, Trevor Pitcher, Ken Fletcher Jnr, Bo Zalek, Brian Hill and Alan Foote.

7.0 Election of new committee

The President declared all committee positions vacant and appointed Trevor Pitcher as the interim Chairman to conduct the election for the position of President for the following year.

Tim Bailey was nominated by Stuart Coleman and seconded by Barry Catanach. No other nominations were put forward and Trevor declared Tim Bailey duly elected.

The President called for nominations for Vice President. Barry Catanach was proposed by Phil Bristow-Stagg and seconded by Brian Hill. No other nominations were put forward and the President declared Barry Catanach duly elected.

The President called for nominations for Executive Officer, Secretary and Treasurer. Stuart Coleman was proposed by Brian Hill and seconded by Trevor Pitcher. No other nominations were put forward and the President declared Stuart Coleman duly elected to the positions.

The President called for nominations for general committee members and the following nominations were proposed by Stuart Coleman and seconded by Brian Hill:

Phil Bristow-Stagg, Ian Lavington, Lloyd Hollier, Trevor Pitcher, Alan Foote, Ken Fletcher Jr., Bo Szalek, Brian Hill, Ian McDonald.

There being no other nominations, the above gentlemen were unanimously duly elected.

8.0 Close

There being no further business, The President thanked everyone for attending the meeting and declared the meeting closed at 9:55 pm.

T. R. Bailey, President