

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
INTERNATIONAL TRAINING IN COMMUNICATION
AUSTRALIAN REGION INCORPORATED
ABN 055071344
SATURDAY 5 MAY 2018
NELSON NEW ZEALAND**

1. Welcome, Introductions and Acknowledgements:

At 9am, President, Margaret Grand, welcomed officers, delegates and members to the 2018 Annual General Meeting held in Nelson New Zealand

Introductions:

President Elect:	Janeen Vosper
Vice President (Finance):	Margaret Sutherland
Secretary:	Marie Cooke
Parliamentarian:	Mary Wong

The chair then introduced Margaret Grand, Australian Region President

Acknowledgements:

Acknowledgement was made to those with rank attending Conference:

Guests and Current International Officers

Past International President, Margaret Sutherland:

Past Region Presidents:

Margaret Grand
Margaret Sutherland
Sue Ballard
Marie Cooke
Pat Cartwright
Janeen Vosper
Mary Wong

2. Roll Call:

Roll Call and Credentials Report Form AGM 2018

11 Clubs	Charter	Delegate	Alternate
Armidale Communicators	2419	Bernadette Knight	
Diamond Valley Communicators	2968	Pat Cartwright	
Doncaster Communicators	2090	Marie Cooke	
Hobart Powertalkers	4029	Margaret Sutherland	
Parkview Powertalkers	3349	Jan Broe	
POWERtalk Brisbane Central	1647	Anne Griffin	
POWERtalk Brisbane South	2596	Janeen Vosper	
POWERtalk Gold Coast	3606	Mary Wong	
POWERtalk@theHills	1770	Christine Hardy	
Southside Speakers	1369	Vicki Lamb	
Waverley Communicators	2374	Sonia Cahill	
Number of Clubs in the Region			11
Clubs in good standing in the region			11
Delegates registered			11
Apologies received (from clubs not represented by a delegate)			0
Number of Delegates present at commencement of business session			11
Delegates required for a quorum (simple majority of clubs in good standing)			6
Votes required for a simple majority (Next whole number more than ½ votes cast)			6
Votes required for a ¾ majority (for Special Resolutions) (Next whole number more than ¾ of the votes cast)			9

Timers: Sue Ballard and Brenda Clays

Minutes Approving: Bernadette Knight – POWERtalk Brisbane Central

Page for Business Session: Jo Bailey

3. Quorum and Opening:

The number of delegates required for a quorum was 6. There being 11 delegates present Margaret Grand declared the 2018 Annual General Meeting of International Training in Communication Australian Region open.

4. Credentials Report:

MOTION: “That the Credentials Report be received”:

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Signed: President, Margaret Grand.....

Moved: Armidale
Seconded: POWERtalk@theHills
Carried

5. Apologies:

From Joy and Doug Drescher.

MOTION: "That the Apologies be accepted"

Moved: Parkview Communicators
Seconded: Southside Speakers
Carried

6. GREETINGS:

Greetings were received from Angela and Robert Spicer and Japan Region

MOTION: "That the greetings be received":

Moved: Hobart Powertalkers
Seconded: POWERtalk Brisbane Central
Carried

7. Conference Program:

There were no changes to the Conference Program.

8. Adopt Conference Rules:

This motion was not put because the Rules were not printed in the Program.

9. Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting of the Australian Region (as circulated in the April All Club Mailing) were confirmed.

MOTION: That the Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting of the Australian Region as circulated be taken as read and confirmed:

Moved: POWERtalk@theHills
Seconded: POWERtalk Brisbane South
Carried

9.1 MOTION: The Minutes of the Special General Meeting were confirmed.

Moved: POWERtalk Gold Coast
Second: POWERtalk Brisbane Central
Carried

9.2 Business Arising from the Minutes.

The dissolution Resolution at the International Convention was carried. Therefore, there is no International Organisation. "International Training in Communication" of POWERtalk International". The special general meeting was held and the new constitution that removed international references was adopted.

International Training in Communication Australian Region now owns the trademarks "POWERtalk International" and "POWERtalk Australia". Please note in both instances there is no italics in "POWERtalk" but "POWER" is in capitals.

10. Board of Directors Report:

The Board of Directors Report was circulated with the business papers.

MOTION: "That the Board of Directors Report for the 2017/18 term as circulated be received":

Moved: Parkview Powertalkers
Seconded: Armidale
Motion: Carried

11. Vice President (Finance) Report:

The report of the Vice President (Finance) was circulated with the business papers.

MOTION: "That the report of the Vice President (Finance) be received".

Moved: Powertalk@the Hills
Seconded: Southside Speakers
Motion: Carried

12. Adopt Audited Financial Statements:

MOTION: "That the Audited Financial Statement, the Statement of Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet of the year ended 31 March 2018, as circulated be adopted".

Moved: Diamond Valley Communicators
Seconded: Southside Speakers
Carried

13. Council and Clubs-at-large Presidents' Reports:

MOTION: "That the reports of the Council and Clubs-at-large Presidents' Reports as circulated be received":

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Moved: Armidale
Seconded: Hobart Powertalkers
Carried

14. Nominations and Elections Committee Report.

Christine Hardy presented the Nominations and Elections Committee Report.

MOTION: "That the report from the Nominations and Elections Committee Chair be received".

Moved: POWERtalk Brisbane Central
Seconded: Southside Speakers
Carried.

14.1 ELECTIONS:

The results of the elections are as follows.

President: Margaret Grand
President Elect: Janeen Vosper
Vice President Finance: Margaret Sutherland
Secretary: Marie Cooke

15. Amendments to the Constitution and Standing Rules.

The amendments to the Constitution and Standing Rules were sent to clubs two weeks ago. This did not meet the 21-day requirement under Article 16.2.3 of the Constitution. Therefore, the amendments to the Constitution will be voted upon at a cyber meeting to be held on 19th May 2018 commencing at 9am.

There were two amendments to the Standing rules only that may be considered at this meeting as amendments to the Standing rules do not need the same notification.

15.1 **MOTION: That Standing Rule 3. Dues (a) be amended by deleting \$45.00 and inserting \$36.00.**

Moved: Diamond Valley Communicators
Seconded: Southside Speakers.
Lost: 2:9

15.2 That Standing rule 3. Dues(b) be amended by substitution: On joining the association, members shall pay dues calculated on a pro rata basis in relation to the month joined.

Moved: Diamond Valley Communicators
Seconded: Hobart
Carried: 6:5

16. General Business

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Signed: President, Margaret Grand.....

Condolence Motion:

Hobart Powertalkers moved that a Condolence Motion be moved in honour of Norma Ewin – Past International President and President of Australian Pacific Region.

Members observed one minute of silent standing to this motion.

17. Incorporation Motion:

That the Annual Statements of Incorporation for the Department of Fair Trading in New South Wales and The Australian Securities and Investment Commission, submitted to the ITC members at the Annual General Meeting of International Training in Communication Australian Region Incorporated held on 5th May 2018 by the Public Officer, Margaret Grand, be received.

Moved: Southside Speakers
Seconded: Diamond Valley Communicators.
Carried

18. Announcements:

Jo Bailey asked that at this meeting the Board be commended for its courage in being able to admit to mistakes and to set a solid basis of openness and integrity with the membership that bodes well for the future.

Moved: Powertalk Gold Coast
Seconded: Doncaster
Carried

The next AGM and Conference will be in Sydney 17, 18 & 19 May 2019.

Leave was given to include the winners of the awards announced during the conference in the minutes.

Speech Contest:

1st Place: Pat Cartwright Diamond Valley Communicators
2nd Place: Mary Wong POWERtalk Brisbane Central

Writing Awards:

There were no awards for the writing contest.

President Margaret Grand closed the Annual General Meeting at 11.47am.