

2022 Annual General Meeting of the Australasian Society for Continental Philosophy

Wednesday, 30th of November 2022

Forum Theatre, Arts West, The University of Melbourne and via Zoom

13:00-14:00

Minutes

Attendance: Garry Bagnell, Peter Banki, Miriam Bankovsky, Charles Barbour, Sean Bowden, Daniel Brennan, Robert Briggs, Justin Clemens, Richard College, Thomas Corbin, Simone Drichel, Jo Faulkner, Daniele Fulvi, James Garrett, Joe Hughes, Andrew Inkpin, Fiona Jenkins, Marguerite La Caze, Norma Lam-Saw, John Lechte, Catherine Legg, Brigid Martin, Jack Reynolds, Louise Richardson-Self, Laura Roberts, Jacinta Sassine, Erin Stapleton, Marilyn Stendera, Kritika Tandon, Fiona Utley, Neil Vallely, Dimitris Vardoulakis, Dimitris Vouros, Maurice Windleburn, Magdalena Zolkos

Apologies: Pat McConville

1. Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

2. Approval of minutes from 2021 AGM

Moved by Dimitris Vardoulakis, seconded by Andrew Inkpin, motion carried unanimously

3. Reports

a. Chair – Dimitris Vardoulakis (see attached)

i. Comments on Congress experience by various attendees:

1. Consider starting morning sessions later, especially after the dinner; some ideas – start morning session on the day after the dinner with either the AGM or the keynotes
2. Congress participation shifts burden of organising conference to committee, which means that involvement in the executive becomes more onerous
3. ASCP currently has no option to move away from Congress because no institution has volunteered to host; if an institution is prepared to host, members are encouraged to get in touch with the executive
4. HDR/ECR session funded, EDI session was not funded – this should be remedied in future
5. Congress participation generated opportunities and challenges, especially in terms of logistics; many of the latter were teething issues that are unlikely to recur
6. Since there is no grant funding in 2023, what is the motivation for continuing with the Congress? – primarily lack of host institution

b. Secretary – Marilyn Stendera

- i. 303 members for 2023 so far, significant increase so far

c. Treasurer – Charles Barbour

- i. Accounts are in the black, further details available on request

4. Policies

- a. EDI – Fiona Jenkins
- b. Communications – Brigid Martin
- c. Conference – Joe Hughes

Policies have been circulated – no objections or questions

5. Congress participation & 2023 conference – covered during discussion of chair's report

6. Journal – covered during discussion of chair's report

7. Other business

- a. Members are reminded that the International Merleau-Ponty Circle conference will be hosted by Deakin 5-7 December in 2023, presenting significant opportunities for collaboration with the ASCP.
- b. Recent ARC results are very concerning; attendees suggest that the ASCP discuss putting together a response, lobbying, etc.
 - i. The ASCP is already in talks with the AAP about preparing a joint submission, but the tight timeframe makes it worth considering an ASCP-specific one.
- c. The executive reiterates that all members are invited to participate in shaping the society, forming/joining a subcommittee, etc.