



PS Superannuants

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Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting Date	24 February 2025		
Meeting Time	10.30am – 12.00 noon		
Location/venue	Meeting Room 5 Mead Hall, Flinders Street Baptist Church, 65 Flinders Street Adelaide.		
Chair	Peter Frick.		
Committee Attendees	Dr. Michael Evans, Ian Beckingham, Barry Gear AO, Dr. Keren Wicks, Don Campbell (Zoom), Dr. Ray Hickman (Zoom) Richard Clough (Zoom), Peter Frick,		
Observers	Dianne Baron, Arnulf Anders, Pamela Gardini, Brian Burt.		
Item	Topic	Discussion	Action/Outcome
1.1	Acknowledgement of Country	The Chair opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.	
1.2	Apologies	Apologies were received from Jim Rhodes, Peter Baker, Eileen Pritchard, Syd Spiteri. The Chair introduced the new attendees/observers and those on Zoom.	Nil
1.3	Confirmation of Minutes, Committee Meeting 25 November 2024	Motion to accept Barry Gear Seconded: Michael Evans - Carried	Provide approved Minutes, of the Committee Meeting 25 November 2024 to Peter Frick for posting on the website. Action: A/Secretary.



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1.4	Action Items	<p>Ray Hickman advised the Committee of the Associations letter to Super SA and their response, outlining ongoing issues associated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The changes to Super SA's Board Charter• The lack of stakeholder consultation relating to these changes• Super SA's reluctance to provide the Association with a copy of the Heads of Government Agreement. <p>Ray Hickman proposed submitting a Freedom of Information application to gain access to the Heads of Government Agreement and that in turn this agreement would then inform any possible actions for the Association. Seconded Michael Evans - Carried</p> <p>It was also agreed that Ray would pay the initial FOI submission fee and then seek reimbursement from via the Committee.</p> <p>Items held over for the 31 March 2025 Agenda include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of the Super SA's Board Charter	<p>FOI application to be submitted to gain access to the Heads of Government Agreement. Action: Ray Hickman</p>
1.5	Confirmation of Minutes General Meeting 25 November 2024	<p>Motion to accept Barry Grear. Seconded: Peter Frick - Carried</p>	<p>Provide approved Minutes, of the General Meeting 25 November 2024 to Peter Frick for posting on the website. Action: A/Secretary</p>
2.	Standing Agenda Items		
2.1	Disclosure of Interest	<p>Members indicated NIL Conflict of Interest.</p>	
2.2	Correspondence	<p>Nil</p>	



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2.3	Treasurer's Report	<p>1. Motion to accept February 2025 Treasure Report Michael Secoded Peter Frick – Carried</p> <p>2. Motion to accept the 2024 Audited Financials Michael Eva Secoded Barry Gear - Carried</p> <p>3. Michael Evans proposed that the: Associations bank accounts, a BankSA society cheque account with 105-900, account number 950 313 840, two BankSA term deposit numbers 011 4037 931 260 and 134 4040 204 160, and a Comm Bank term deposit number 06 5126 5010 3000 shall be operated o following persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Evans (Treasurer), • Dianne Baron (Assistant Secretary), • Peter Frick (Communications Officer), • Don Campbell (Membership Officer), <p>and that these persons shall all have full administrative rights to al And that any other, existing, signatories to these accounts shall b</p> <p>Secoded Barry Gear – Carried</p> <p>Reimbursement of Expenditure/Accounts</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="616 981 1467 1212"> <thead> <tr> <th>Claimant</th> <th>Product</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Australia Post</td> <td>Reply Paid Fee</td> <td>\$129.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Advertiser</td> <td>Change to Constitution Public Notice</td> <td>\$478.92</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ariel</td> <td>Envelopes</td> <td>\$270.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Airel</td> <td>Newsletters</td> <td>\$1580.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Claimant	Product	Amount	Australia Post	Reply Paid Fee	\$129.00	The Advertiser	Change to Constitution Public Notice	\$478.92	Ariel	Envelopes	\$270.00	Airel	Newsletters	\$1580.00	<p>Evans. ns</p> <p>Treasurer to activate the requirements to update the signatories for the Association accounts. Action: Michael Evans</p>
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2.4	Membership Officers Report	Motion to accept Don Campbell. Seconded Peter Frick - Carried	
2.5	Guest Speaker Coordinator's Report	Discussion relating to possible Guest Speakers for the remainder of the year. Brian Burt to assist Ian Beckingham to recruit speakers and to act as an Emergency Speaker should the need arise.	
2.6	Communications Report	Motion to accept Peter Frick Seconded Barry Gear – Carried All incoming Committee Members to submit current photograph to inclusion on the Association website. Peter for The Association data project is nearing end of life. Peter to investigate replacement options and to report at the March meeting. jate	Replacement options for the data projector to be tabled at the March meeting. Action: Peter Frick
2.7	Victorian Subcommittee Report	Motion to accept Don Campbell Seconded Michael Evans - Carried	
3.	Business Arising		
3.1	Federal Government Submission	Ray Hickman spoke about the Submission to the Federal Treasurer re the upcoming Federal Budget as reported in the February 2025 Superannuant. Agenda Item The impact of any possible tax exemption for discussion as an Agenda Item 31 March 2025.	Impact of a possible Tax Exemption to be an Agenda Item 31 March 2025. Action: A/Secretary
3.2	2025 Membership Fees	The 2025 Membership Fees were considered and confirmed as staying the same as 2024. Nil change. 2026 Fees and overall financials to be reviewed mid-2025.	
3.3	Confirmation of Public Officer	Motion for Peter Frick to continue within the role of Public Officer Michael Evans. Seconded Don Campbell - Carried	
3.4	Annual General Meeting	Michael Evan confirmed the AGM requirements including: • Nominations • Processes for the meeting • Terms of Reference for the Subcommittee's and Advisory Group	
4.	Any Other Business		



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4.1	Management of Adelaide PO Box	Michael Evans to manage the Adelaide PO Box in 2025.Key returned by Barry Gear and provided to Michael Evans.	
4.2	Acknowledgement of service	Don Campbell highlighted Richard Clough's involvement in both the Victorian Sub-committee and his input to the Advisory Group. Noted by the Committee with thanks.	
4.3	Victorian PO Box	Don Campbell advised that the account was due for the Victorian PO Box and will submit for payment once received.	
5.	Next Meeting		
5.1	31 March 2025 @ 10.30am	Dianne Baron is an apology. Barry Gear to take minutes.	

Meeting closed at 11.35am

Communications Manager Report

1. The Superannuant was published and delivered successfully, thank you to everyone for honouring the deadline.
2. As Communications Manager I monitor incoming and outgoing emails and process them or file them in the Association accounts. Any outgoing emails should be Bcc'd to me so that they can be filed appropriately.
3. I have also monitored incoming phone messages and disseminated them to the appropriate officer for action.
4. There have been a huge influx of emails relating to membership matters and these have been forwarded to Don who must be at fever pitch with work at the moment.
5. Another duty I have is the management of the web site. I ask that you all assist me with the integrity of the site letting me know of any issues that you notice. It is not a task that I can do unassisted by your many eyes.
6. One web site related matter is my next task to update the online committee member's handbook. In it can be found a brief CV of each committee member. Can I ask that all new committee members provide me with their CV by the end of March so that I can update the handbook. Guidance can be sought by viewing what has been done by existing members in the handbook.
7. A final request is for a head and shoulders photograph that you are prepared to have on our web site and in the Superannuant. I already have photographs of Michael, Barrie, Ray, Don and myself. There is



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a banner at the bottom of the home page with a number of members' photo and a sentence about their view of Superannuant membership. It would be good that this aspect of the web site remains up to date.

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TREASURER'S REPORT - January 2025

Y.T.D

Cashbook balance as at 31/12/2024

\$9,518.24

ADD:

Receipts

Membership - Ann & Life

\$1,015.00

\$1,015.00

Raffle proceeds

\$0.00

\$0.00

Sundries

\$30.00

\$30.00

Bank interest

\$0.00

\$0.00

Investment Interest

\$0.00

\$0.00

Redeemed Investment

\$0.00

\$0.00

Petty cash

\$0.00

\$0.00

Total

\$1,045.00

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\$1,045.00

LESS:

Payments

Hall Hire

\$0.00

\$0.00

Office Expenses

\$0.00

\$0.00

Fees

\$0.00

\$0.00

Newsletter Expenses

\$0.00

\$0.00

Reinvested Int or Div'd

\$0.00

\$0.00

New Investment

\$0.00

\$0.00

Executive Expenses

\$0.00

\$0.00

Website

\$0.00

\$0.00

Tax

\$0.00

\$0.00



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Sundries	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00	Total \$0.00
Cashbook balance as at 31/01/2025		\$10,563.24
Cashbook balance year to date		\$1,045.00

Membership Officer Report

- I recommend that in preparation for upcoming AGM and General Meetings that a supply of Renewal and Update Forms be brought to such Meetings – to be completed on the spot, with encouragement to supply full contact details. Having an Executive Member available to assist this should have positive results.
- This is the practice used at Victorian Branch meetings, with potential members encouraged to sign up at the time and Newsletters available for distribution.
- A donation of \$500 was received this month which was most appreciated. Last year a number of members made very generous donations of this amount and up to \$1000. We adopted the practice of the President posting out a thank-you letter, in addition to the email or posted acknowledgement from the National Membership Officer for all moneys received.
- This is appreciated, as the number of Voluntary Levy's or Donations received has reduced considerably since last year. What acknowledgement terminology would members prefer of what was intended to be ongoing - a voluntary levy, donation or a voluntary donation?
- As you are aware, we have encouraged members to update their information by repeating the invitation to supply Missing and family member details in October and February editions.
- This is producing good results, as members begin to trust that the information is kept confidential and secure.
- I would like more members to use the Online renewals and Updates Forms to aid my efficiency - but as promised I will continue to acknowledge all correspondence from Members – despite Postal responses taking me a bit longer to process.
- I have noticed a positive reduction in the timing or duration for families to notify of the passing of a member. This is enabling me to notify an increasing number of cases for the constitutional entitlement to a widow inheriting a spouse's Membership.



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- Recently I contacted PSA of SA, who have agreed to include our promotional page in their next Magazine.
- A representative of CPSU phoned me and we are in discussions to also promote our Association. This is a work in progress intended to increase our membership.
- We continue to receive more life and annual memberships through word of mouth. One was from a person who saw the Qantas Club discount on our Website and signed up Association membership the next day.

Victorian Report

During the 2024 calendar year, Victorian Members participated in four hybrid meetings conducted via Zoom and in person at the South Melbourne Community Centre.

The details of these meetings were as follows:

Wednesday 27 March 2024: APSS member John Barrett gave an interesting travel tale on his two recent Antarctica Adventures.

Wednesday 26 June 2024: Frankie Freeman, COTA Education & Engagement manager gave a talk on common scams affecting older Australians and the benefits of COTA membership.

Wednesday 25 September 2024: Helen Parker and Simone Jamieson from the City of Port Phillip each presented on how to best use Information Technology in everyday life.

Wednesday 27 November 2024: Chris Parsons, Senior Manager Engagement from Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation and Peter Baker, ex Telco Engineer, presented on current activities within CSC and the Be Connected Website.

Prior to and after each of these meetings, members of the Victorian subcommittee met via Zoom to plan and review each meeting so that lessons could be learned and feedback accepted.

The next Victorian PS Superannuants (APSS) meeting is being held on Wednesday 26 March 2025, starting with our luncheon at 12.30 PM.

Our Guest Speaker will be Senior Financial Adviser, Elena Konstantinova.

Elena has been a financial adviser for over 18 years and has in depth experience across wealth creation, banking and financial services, superannuation and retirement planning. Her main focus is to help her clients achieve their financial goals and preferred lifestyle by tailoring and maximizing optimal strategies and successfully implementing recommendations.

Elena will explain how advisers aim to build and protect wealth for their clients. All APSS members are invited to attend what promises to be a most informative meeting.

During all APSS Victorian meetings, held on the last Wednesday of March, June, September and November, members are given the opportunity to:



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- Join our Association as a New Member, or
- to renew their Membership, or
- make a voluntary levy donation to operations of the Association.

The other news to share is that our augmented Victorian Sub-committee for 2025 is now as follows:

- • Gerry Schembri Convenor
- • Richard Clough Record-keeper
- • Peter Cockrum
- • Barry Schafer
- • Chris Baulch
- • Don Campbell
- • Syd Spiteri
- • Jill Quirk
- • Gwyneth Ottrey
- • Ed Blake
- • Brian Brennan
- • Peter Baker (QLD IT quarterly training contributor)