

30th Hyperbaric Technicians and Nurses Annual General Meeting

MINUTES – Thursday 07th September 2022

Chaired by Karl Price (President)

Minutes by Shane Dennis (Secretary)

Justin Callard (Treasurer)

Opening Address: The HTNA President Karl Price welcomed all HTNA members attending the 2022 AGM hosted at The Henry Jones Art Hotel

Karl discussed how nice it was to host the AGM face to face, acknowledging the difficulties we have all face over the past COVID impacted years.

Karl acknowledged the work of the HTNA Committee of Management, now settled into their roles along with re-invigorating the HTNA brand. Karl also thanked all sponsors for their continuing support.

Members Present: Karl Price, Shane Dennis, Justin Callard, Mark Orkney, David Saxton, Kyla Martin, Peter Bisaro, Derelle Young, Liz Williams, David King, Rohan Kiby, Bob Campbell, Chris Jelliffe and Danielle Pollock

Apologies: Bebe Brown, and Natalie Mc Gregor.

Committee Nominations: Facility Representatives, all current HTNA facility representatives were happy to continue in this role.

The RBWH (Bob Campbell) nominated Jason Pearson, Shane Dennis seconded. The HTNA secretary in follow up with Jason to confirm

Danielle Pollock for Nursing Training Committee.

Peter Bisaro for Technical Training Committee.

Damianos Tzavellas stepped down from Europe International Representative, Roly Gough-Allen for Europe International Representative, The HTNA secretary in follow up with Roly to confirm.

Andrew R Melnyczenko to continue as USA International Representative.

Confirmation of 2021 HTNA AGM MINUTES: Accepted by Justin Callard and seconded by Shane Dennis

1.	President	Karl's opening address	As detailed above
2.	President	Karl address members directly	Karl made a special note that the HTNA had reached out to Steve Global (former HTNA editor) offering him Steve full conference attendance including flight and accommodation, unfortunately the HTNA had no reply from Steve.
3.	President	Karl address members directly	As detailed above
4.	Treasurer:	Justin addressed members directly and provided a financial statement	No issues as the HTNA resumes normal activities after a two-year break. Justin highlighted Shane Dennis & Karl Price's efforts leading up to this year's ASM, therefore the HTNA has a very healthy bank balance. The increase of financial membership, corporate sponsor has put the HTNA in a very good financial position to host this year's ASM. The HTNA has 7 new corporate sponsors this FY Justin also noted members need to nominate themselves for HTNA positions and be pro-active participations as it is unfair to assume people will just continue in their HTNA roles. Please e-mail Justin if you have any questions
5.	Secretary:	Shane addressed members directly	As HTNA Secretary my goal this year was the bring HTNA members together. I have concentrated on ensuring members understand what is available on the HTNA website as it has been updating regularly due to this year ASM. I continued bi-monthly virtual drinks program, re-establish the bi-monthly webinars. I have also made a point of personally contact members when their membership had expired to thank them for their support and encourage them to renew their membership. I also encourage members to contact me with any issues and ideas they may have moving forward. HTNA currently has 118 full financial members, up from 86 in the previous FY.
6.	Secretary:	Shane addressed members directly	I have collected and coalited the HTNA Statistic which are all now available on the HTNA website. There seems to be some confusion with what the statics are asking for, Dr David Cooper is going to work with me to nail down exactly what statistic are required moving forward.

7.	NFPA:	Justin addressed members directly	Justin Callard is a NFPA full committee member with board voting rights (one of 24 voting members) and Karl Price has a non-voting position. Eric Fink is also a full voting member on the NFPA committee. Australia is the only country outside the USA that has voting positions. Tom Workman is going to bring Justin up to speed with the latest NFPA meeting outcomes
8.	Standards Australia	Karl address members directly	Karl explained the Australian Standards in detail, noting they are a great resource. The HTNA has removed themselves from the of the tunnelling (Cason Standards). Dave Pearsall was e-mailed and asked to contact us (Dave Pearsall is a non HTNA member however, from the wider diving community) Karl noted we must be very careful when having input into the Australian Standards - not to water them down. The past removal of items such as the humidity details has let us all down. The Australian Standards are to be used for our benefit. Karl is happy to take recommendations for future amendments to the Australian Standards.
9.	Technical:	Karl advised on several technical project on-going	<p>a. Accepted Dressing List: – Dr. Lucy Winterbottom (Hobart) has completed her project. This is a step-by-step assessment criterion so all units can assess dressings the same. Dr. Winterbottom project will be a web base trial sent to all units to use and evaluate. DB Gurus web design have been engaged to develop an interactive webpage with our accepted dressing list detailed.</p> <p>Karl Price will now move forward with the above information with the hope of finalizing and pushing it out to facilities for a trial.</p> <p>b. Chamber Static Issues: - Dale Peterson from Bond line providing a presentation on static for the HTNA bi- monthly webinar 17th November 21 @ 1600. The webinar is available on the HTNA website for all units to view</p>
10.	Nursing Training Committee:	Derelle Young addressed members directly	Derelle discussed the standards for the nursing training course and exactly what detail is required. Individual facilities need to forward all training paperwork to be accredited. Currently Fiona Stanley, Townsville, Darwin are all endorsed. RBWH have submitted their paperwork. The committee are very happy to have access to the HTNA google drive to share information, save and have access to paperwork submitted.

11.	Constitution Changes:	Shane Dennis addressed members directly	Several minor changes were submitted during 21-22. The HTNA Constitution is now at Revision No: 8, the updated Constitution is located on the HTNA website under MYHTNA.
12.	Hyperbaric Chamber Supervisor Assessment trial:	Shane addressed members directly	Hyperbaric Chamber Supervisor (HCS) Assessment: – Shane Dennis asked members if they were happy with the first round of HCS assessment and if they would like it to continue. All members noted they were happy with a 12 monthly HCS assessment format to proceed.
13.	HTNA Facebook page:	Shane addressed members directly	Shane Dennis is managing the HTNA face book page which currently has 28 members. Several articles have been posted on the page with much discussion. Members need to remember this is a HTNA members only page and has direct access to other HTNA members if you have any question or would like to discuss any topics.
14.	Confirm ASM annual or biannual	Karl address members directly	A vote was taken and 9 for annual & 4 for biannual was taken. It was passed the HTNA ASM will remain as an annual meeting. It was noted we have an obligation to our HTNA sponsors to host the ASM annually.
15.	HTNA 2023 & 2024 ASM	Karl address members directly	There is ongoing negotiation to lock in 2023, watch the HTNA website for an announcement soon . The 2024 HTNA ASM will be hosted by Prince of Wales
16.	Other business	Karl address members directly	The HTNA president proposed a project conference package be established and funded by the HTNA to encourage hyperbaric facilities to take on the HTNA conference. This will go to a committee of management (C.O.M) meeting for a decision, details will follow . The HTNA president put forward a motion for the HTNA to fund an annual exchange program for technical & nursing to visit other facilities to grow their knowledge. A set amount must be determined by the HTNA C.O.M. This will go to the C.O.M for a vote, details will follow . There will be many obstacles and hurdles for the above proposals, the HTNA will work through them and advise of an outcome .

	Executive Committee:	Current	President: Karl Price Treasurer: Justin Callard Secretary: Shane Dennis
	Committee of Management:	Current and Newly Appointed	President: Karl Price Treasurer: Justin Callard Secretary: Shane Dennis Editor / Assistant: Peter Bisaro (new)
	Facility Representatives	Current and Newly Appointed	RBWH: Jason Pearson (new) The Alfred: Natalie Mcgregor The Wesley: Kyla Martin POW: Hayley Perfect Townsville: Richard Turk Hobart: Jason Pepper (new) Adelaide: Troy Pudney Fiona Stanley W/A: Liz Williams Darwin: Danielle Pollock (new) NZ (North Island): Basil Murphy NZ (South Island): Warren Harper
	Nursing Training Committee:	Current and Newly Appointed	Derelle Young Bebe Brown Carol Baines Danielle Pollock (new)
	Technical Training Committee:	Current and Newly Appointed	Karl Price Shane Dennis Basil Murphy Peter Bisaro (new)
	International representatives:	Current and Newly Appointed	USA International Representative: Andrew R. Melnyczenko Europe International Representative: Vacant, (will contact Roly Gough-Allen)
17.	Close		Meeting Closed