

**2018 Annual General Meeting of Australian Society of Plant Scientists**

**Minutes**

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| **DATE:** | Wed 26th September 2018 |
| **TIME:** | 12.55-1.55  |
| **VENUE:** | Room C2.2, Sydney International Convention Centre |
| **PRESENT:** | Sergey Shabala (SS, President), Matthew Gilliham (MG, Secretary), John Evans (Public Officer), Kathleen Soole (Future President); Janet Wheeler (Communications), Kamal Uddin (Student), Rana Munns (Plants in Action), Kim Johnson (Development + next meeting organiser), Mike Haydon (Mol Biol), Chris Cazzonelli (Phytogen), Beth Loveys (Education), Megan Shelden (Cell); Tracey Cuin (Whole Plants); Georgia Koerber (Phytogen); …. TBD |
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| **APOLOGIES:** | Rosemary White (RW, Treasurer), Brett Williams, Rebecca Ford, Tom Roberts, Alex Johnson, Matt Tucker,  |
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**ASPS Minutes and Actions**

| **No.** | **Item** | **Comments** | **Actions** | **Timeframe** |
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| **1.** | **Welcome and Apologies (SS/MG)** |  |  |  |
| **2.** | **Confirm minutes from 2017 (SS)** | SEE POSTED MINUTES |  |  |
| **3.** | **Presidents Report (SS)** | REPORT TABLED |  |  |
| **4.**  | **Treasurers Report (SS)** | Audit completed. Report tabled.

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| Student Travel Awards, this year. Aruni Alahakoon, Uni Melb |
|  Lui Guo, CSIRO |
|  Rouja Haghdoust, Uni Syd |
|  A.S.M.Mainul Hasan, Uni Tas |
|  Shahnoosh Hayamanesh, Uni Syd |
|  Si Li, Uni Syd |
|  Viviana Rosati, Monash |
|  Muhammed Uddin, Uni Syd |
|  Yoav Yichie, Uni Syd |

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| **5.** | **Website, Comms, Outreach (CC/GK)** | 1. Gonzalo Estavillo is stepping down from his role as chair of the Comms committee.
2. Georgia has become the new co-editor of Phytogen.  Chris, Georgia and Janet intend to re design our monthly newsletter.
3. New Volunteers to engage with committee, facebook and twitter wanted.
4. Series of 60th Anniversary posts given this year for Phytogen. More content welcome.
5. Workshop on social media at next meeting?
6. New website volunteers wanted.
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| **6.**  | **Future ASPS/COMBIO Meetings (SS/KJ)** | La Trobe (ASPS) – 2019Melbourne (COMBIO) 2020 - 29th September – 2nd October*Proposal to mentioned* (ASPS) – 2021 COMBIO 2022 – ?Canberra?ASPS 2023 - ? |  |  |
| **7.** | **Plants in Action (RM)** | Presentation to be made. 1. Call for new Co-Editor in Chief to be mentored by Rana Munns
2. Being translated into Hindi
3. DOIs being given to chapters so can be cited.
4. Several chapters need update.

**Growth and Development chapters 7-10**. Chapter 7: Cell growth and plant development. Mostly complete (except for reproduction). Chapter 8: Physical signals for plant developmentChapter 9: Chemical signals i.e. hormonesChapter 10: Cell differentiation and gene expression**Environmental chapters 13-20:**ATMOSPHERIC CO2 (Ch 13) DROUGHT STRESS (Ch 15)PLANT NUTRITION (Ch 16) SALINITY (Ch 17) FIRE (Ch 19)HERBICIDE RESISTANCE and OXIDATIVE STRESS (Ch 20)  |  |  |
| **8.** | **Discussion of nomination of new officers (SS)** | Presentation to be made. |  |  |
| **9.**  | **Members (Life/Corresponding)****(SS)** | Nomination of life and corresponding members |   |  |
| **10.** | **FPB Editor (SS)** | Report to be tabled |  |  |
| **11.**  | **A.O.B.** |  |  |  |