

**2022 AGM Meeting of the Australian Society of Plant Scientists**

**Agenda**

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| **DATE:** | Thursday 29 September 2022 |
| **TIME:** | 18:10-19:10 AEST |
| **VENUE:** | Room “Eureka 1 “ in the ComBio Venue |
| **PRESENT:**  | Peter Ryan (PR, President), Kim Johnson (KJ, Secretary), Mike Haydon (MH, Treasurer), Martha Ludwig (incoming president), **Attendance to be collected** |
| **APOLOGIES:** | Eloise Foo, John Evans, Stephanie Watts-Fawkes, Crystal Sweetman, Kristine Crous, Lucas Cernusak |
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**ASPS Minutes and Actions**

| **No.** | **Item** | **Comments** | **Actions** | **Timeframe** |
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| **1.** | **Welcome and Apologies (PR/SW)** | Declare Meeting Open: TIMEAcknowledgement of CountryApologies  |  |  |
| **2.** | **Accept minutes from 2021 (KJ)** | **Any issues arising from the 2021 AGM minutes. Move the minutes are accepted.**  |  |  |
| **3.** | **ASPS 2021 Awards (PR)** | **Awards given this year**:* Goldacre: Maria Ermakova
* Anderson: Frances Sussmilch
* Hank Greenway Award for Education and Outreach: Adelaide Univ National Science week team
* Robertson Travelling Awards: Oscar Fung (from UMelb to JIC), Nattiwong Pankasem (from USA to ANU)
* J.G. Wood Lecturer: Rudi Appels
* Best paper in FPB is by an ECR an ASPS member for 2021 is by Kawasaki et al.

Changes made: * Opening and closing dates Dec to Apr
* Changed wording around FTE to allow for career breaks
* Goldacre changed to 10 years post-PhD
* Submit as single pdf
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| **4.** | **ComBIO (PR/RG/JG)** | COMBIO 2022 – comments from PR and RG. * Plenary speakers
* ASPS plenaries
* Student poster judging and prizes (KJ)
* ASPS Dinner
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| **5.**  | **Future ASPS/ComBio Meetings (PR/KJ)** | Future ASPS meetings.- 2023 ASPS Annual Meeting planned for Tasmania around November 25-28. More from Eloise Foo or Sergey Shabala.- 2024 ASPS Annual Meeting unclear. Suggestions?Other meetings:- 13th International Congress of Plant Molecular Biology postponed to 2022 and then again. Details from Mary Byrne or Josh Mylne.- The Int Union of Photobiology contacted about meeting in Perth in 2024. - Any others ? Others  |  |  |
| **6.** | **REPORT****Finances (MH)** | Honorary Treasurer’s Report - Mike Haydon |  |  |
| **7.** | **REPORT****Website & Communications****(JW/CB/GK/FS/LC)** | Chair is Caitlin Byrt |  |  |
| **8.**  | **REPORT****Global Plant Council (RG)** | Ros Gleadow to present about GPC activities. |  |  |
| **9.** | **REPORT****Plants in Action (RM)** | Uli Mathesius  |  |  |
| **10.** | **REPORT****Science and Technology Australia (RB/PR)** | - Rachel Burton is a cluster Rep for STA- Headline activity is the annual Science Meets Parliament For 2022, ASPS was represented by Megan Shelden (AU) and Benjamin Schwessinger (ANU). - AGM 24 Nov – represented by Rachel Burton? |  |  |
| **11.** | **REPORT****Functional Plant Biology Editor (SS/PR)** | Comments from Sergey Shabala |  |  |
| **12.**  | **REPORT****Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (EF)** | Eloise Foo   |  |  |
| **13.**  | **REPORT** **President (PR)** | President’s report |  |  |
| **14.** | **ELECTION OF OFFICERS** **Nomintions to fill ASPS positions (PR/KJ)** | The Constitution states that the ASPS Officers retire year year are eligible to be reelected for one or more terms. President Elect: Martha Ludwig (UWA) – requires a vote at the AGM.Honorary Treasurer: (2019 Mike Haydon finishes)Mark Waters (UWA) has been nominated and he has accepted the nomination. Discipline Reps: Some require nominations:- 2019 Brett Williams (Genetics and Mol Biol) – QUT- 2020 Mark Waters (Development) - UWA - 2020 Georgia Koerber (Environ Ecophysiol) – U Adel- 2020 Kristine Crous (Whole Plant) – WSUOthers have two years remaining:- 2021 Secretary – Kim Johnson- 2021 Cell Biol – Crystal Sweetman (Flinders)- 2021 Plant-microbe– Stephanie Watts-Fawkes (UoA)- 2021 Education and Outreach – Lucas Cernusak (JCU)- 2021 Diversity and Inclusion – Eloise Foo (Utas)- 2021 WSC team – Scott Boden (UAdel)Editor of Phytogen: Georgia Koerber remains Website Administrator: Janet Wheeler remains |  |  |
| **14****15.** | **SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS Nominations required for Members (Life/Corresponding)****(PR)** | Require nominations for: - Life members 2022: Last year we inducted Brian Attwell and Tony Ashton.- Suggestions for Corresponding members 2022: Last year we inducted Rainer Hedrich (Julius-Maximilians-University Wuerzburg, Germany). |  |  |
| **16.**  | **ASPS structure and Constitution**  **(PR)** | Does ASPS need to move from an Incorporated Association to a Company Limited by Guarantee structure? Suggested changes to the Constitution.Prepare a list of updates/changes for discussion and consideration at AGM. Changes to the constitution require agreement of 2/3 of the financial members voting at that time. |  |  |
| **17.**  | **Any other business** |  |  |  |
| **18.** | **Meeting closed** | TIME?  |  |  |