

Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Annual General Meeting	
Date / Time	19 November 2024 / 5pm AEDT	
Location	In person at RACV Club, 501 Bourke St, Melbourne Victoria and via Live Stream . Click to view	
Directors	Alan Cameron AO, Chairperson Alice McCleary, Director Angelo Giuffrida, Director Peter Elford, Director	Sandra Davey, Director Sandra Hook, Director Mike Trovato, Director Wendy Thorpe, Director
Also in attendance	Rosemary Sinclair AM, CEO Linda Brown, auDA Co Sec Sonia Joksimovic, Co Sec Bruce Tonkin, auDA James Shady, auDA Jane Smith, auDA	Kate Rowswell, Auditor KPMG Gianni Garreffa, KPMG Rebecca Papillo, auDA Hayley Wigg, auDA Sophie O'Shea, auDA Andrew McCallum, auDA Kylie Gow, auDA
Other attendees	56 other Members and Visitors	
Apologies	Thu-Trang Tran Sophie Mitchell	Samuel Grunhard, Kathleen Silleri

1. Welcome

The Independent Chairperson, Alan Cameron AO, (The Chair) acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land on which the meeting was held and paid respects to their Elders past and present, and all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in attendance.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the auDA 2024 Annual General Meeting on behalf of the Board and thanked all attendees in the room and those joining online. He confirmed there was a quorum of members present and declared the meeting open at 5:01pm AEDT. The Chair introduced the auDA Directors present in the room and attending online and noted that auDA's Auditors were present.

The Chair advised the Notice of Meeting had been issued on 24 October 2024 in accordance with the Corporations Act and the auDA Constitution and confirmed the agenda and arrangements for asking questions.



2. Reports from the Chair and CEO

Chair Report

The Chair reported on auDA's governance activities to 30 June 2024, noting auDA's Board of Directors were proud to support auDA to deliver on its purpose to administer a trusted .au for the benefit of all Australians, and champion an open, free, secure and global internet. The Chair noted the Board's role in guiding the organisation to deliver on its governance, operational and strategic activities.

The Chair thanked the Nomination Committee for its work to identify candidates suitable for election or appointment to the auDA Board. He thanked departing directors Angelo Giuffrida and Alice McCleary for their work on the Board since 2019 and Tara Commerford who served on the Board for part of this year. He welcomed Appointed Directors Brett Fenton and Tina Wyer.

The Chair noted that CEO Rosemary Sinclair was stepping down at the end of the year and thanked her for her significant contribution and leadership over nearly five years, during which time auDA has embedded itself as an essential and trusted provider of critical .au services and internet policy and governance expertise and driver of significant public benefit for Australians and internet users around the world. He congratulated incoming CEO Bruce Tonkin.

CEO Report

The CEO, Rosemary Sinclair AM, thanked the Chair for his kind words. The CEO noted auDA's core functions set out in the Terms of Endorsement, the 2021–25 Strategy and work to develop the 2026–30 Strategy. She reported on auDA's operational achievements to meet its core functions and strategic objectives to operate a safe, secure and reliable operation of the .au domain, administer a licensing regime for .au domain names which is transparent, responsive, accountable, accessible and efficient and to maintain a multi-stakeholder approach to internet governance.

The CEO concluded by thanking the auDA Board, Executive and Leadership team, and all auDA staff and congratulating Bruce Tonkin on his appointment as next CEO.

3. Reports

The Chair noted the 2023–24 financial report and the reports of the Directors and the auditor, KPMG, and invited questions arising from the Chair, CEO and Financial reports. Questions were received and responded to on:

- The Nomination Committee composition, cost, Charter and reporting
- Executive remuneration
- Employee expenses, staff numbers, staff roles and wholesale prices
- Role of retiring directors in potential director shortlisting
- The future of the Co-Marketing and Innovation Program.



- auDA's role in taking down domain names and content related matters.

The Chair took three questions on notice due to time constraints with responses to be published on the auDA website.

4. Declaration of Newly Elected Director

The Chair confirmed that in accordance with Rule 5.6, Claire Rogers was the successful candidate and she was declared elected to the auDA Board. The Chair congratulated Claire on her election.

The Chair thanked the other two candidates in the election and the other applicants who took part in the selection process.

5. General Business

No other business was raised.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending the 2024 auDA Annual General Meeting. He then asked attendees to join in a round of applause for CEO Rosemary Sinclair AM for the extraordinary job she has done during the time she has served.

6. Meeting Close

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:03pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

Alan Cameron AO

Independent Chairperson

Date: