

Record of Meeting

Meeting	General Advisory Standing Committee Meeting	
Date / Time	Tuesday 13 December 2022 /3.00pm – 5.00pm AEDT	
Location	Hybrid: auDA’s Boardroom, Level 19, 8 Exhibition Street, Melbourne and via Microsoft Teams	
Present	Keith Besgrove, Chair Nadia Moffatt, OAM Dr Paul Harrison Sae Ra Germaine	Cleo Kerama Andrew Williams Dr Peter Langkamp, OAM
In attendance	Rosemary Sinclair AM, auDA CEO Bruce Tonkin, auDA COO (<i>joined @ 3.50pm</i>) Colin Brown, auDA CPCO	Sonia Joksimovic, auDA Co Sec Sandra Davey, auDA Director
Apologies	Ajoy Ghosh Susan Kelso Caroline Greenway	

1. Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all members present and opened the meeting at 3.03pm.

The Chair noted apologies from Ajoy Ghosh, Caroline Greenway and Susan Kelso.

2. Acknowledgment of Country

The Chair acknowledged the traditional owners of the land upon which the Committee was meeting and paid respects to elders past and present.

3. Declaration of Interests

The Chair confirmed from all present, that there were no conflicts of interest to be declared.

4. Approve the Previous Record of Meeting

The Committee reviewed the draft record of the meeting held 13 September 2022 and **resolved** to approve the record of the meeting, as true and correct.

5. Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting

The Committee noted an update on previous meeting actions.

The Chair **requested** action 2 from the previous meeting (i.e. *It was agreed the proposed scenarios would be discussed separately with auDA's CEO Rosemary Sinclair, COO Bruce Tonkin and Internet Governance and Policy Director, Jordan Carter*) **remains open**, noting whilst an initial meeting has been held with auDA's Internet Governance and Policy Director; discussions with auDA's CEO and COO are yet to be progressed.

6. Internet Governance Update

The Chair provided an update, noting a paper on Internet Governance, which included proposed scenarios from the Committee, has been provided to the Board Chair for Director's consideration.

The Chair noted that following the Company's 2022 AGM held 16 November 2022, new Directors have been appointed and the paper is expected to be tabled for discussion at the 7 February 2023 Board meeting, where the Chair has also been invited to then talk to this, along with the topic of Committee Succession (agenda 8) and the proposal for auDA's membership Strategy (agenda 10).

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

7. 2023 Committee Workplan

Further to the last meeting discussion, the Chair spoke to the tabled 2022 Committee Workplan, noting reflections from today's meeting on agreed subject areas to assist the Committee's future focus will then inform further iterations for the 2023 workplan.

There were no further comments noted by the Committee.

8. Committee Succession Update

The CPCO noted that further to the 2021 reconstitution of the Advisory Committee, there has been consultation with the Committee Chair to finalise a report for members who have an initial one year term to be considered for reappointment by the Board, at its February 2023 meeting.

The Chair confirmed his support for the one year term members to be reappointed, subject to Board approval.

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

9. Update on 2022 auDA Foundation Grants Program

The CPCO provided an update on auDA's Foundation 2022 Grants Program.

It was noted there was 271 Expression of Interests were received from 239 organisations, which resulted in 153 grant applications for initial review.

The Committee noted following and admin review an independent panel then reviewed 116 shortlisted applications, finalising these to 15 applications for recommendation and Board approval and, that successful grant recipients will be informed under embargo with a public announcement released late January 2023.

The CPCO provided thanks to Committee member, Dr Peter Langkamp for his Initial support and extended this also to GASC with the feedback on the areas of focus for the 2022 grant program.

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

10. GASC Proposal for auDA's Membership Strategy

The Chair invited Dr Paul Harrison to provide an update on the tabled [and draft] auDA Membership Strategy Proposal.

The Committee discussed the advice prepared on how auDA can increase the numbers and diversity of auDA's membership and noted a half day workshop to consider these issues raised, has also been proposed.

Bruce Tonkin joined the meeting.

The Committee **agreed** with the tabled threshold questions for the Board to consider and suggested the following additions:

- What the impact may be, with changing the Membership cohort?
- Can auDA manage a larger membership base, with consideration of required resourcing for future communication, etc?
- How to balance types of organisations, being targeted?

Action: The Committee noted an updated proposal will be completed by the Chair and Dr Paul Harrison, for the auDA Board to consider [Chair & Dr Paul Harrison, March 2023]

11. Proposed 2023 Meeting Dates:

The Committee noted and agreed on the following meeting dates scheduled for 2023:

- Wednesday 8 March 2023 @ 11.00am – 1.00pm (Sydney)
- Tuesday 21 June 2023 @ 11.00am – 1.00pm (Melbourne)
- Tuesday 12 Sept 2023 @ 11.00am – 1.00pm (Melbourne)

- Tuesday 5 Dec 2023 @ 11.00am – 1.00pm (Melbourne)

Subsequent to this meeting, two meeting dates for 2023, were changed:

- Wednesday 8 March 2023 @ 11.00am - 1.00pm (Sydney) changed to **Thursday 9 March 2023 @ 9.00am – 11.00am (Melbourne)**;
- The time and location for **Tuesday 21 June 2023** is now **1.30pm – 3.30pm (Sydney)**.

Action The Company Secretary to issue calendar invites for the scheduled 2023 Meetings [CoSec, December 2022].

12. Meeting Close / Next Meeting

The Chair noted that following the meeting discussion, the 2023 workplan would be updated to include the additional **agreed** subject areas:

- Identifying ways in which auDA can contribute to achieving the Millennium goals.

Action: It was noted Dr Peter Langkamp will draft a paper for Committee consideration and further discussion, at its March 2023 meeting [Dr Peter Langkamp, March 2023]

- Considering refining the definition of "accessibility", especially for under-represented communities (i.e. for public good with societal economic outcomes), to then improve the digital lives of all Australians
- Increasing female participation in technology-based work
- Mental Health, with consideration of Royal Commission Report Outcomes and the impact this has with digital access for regional and remote areas; and
- Opportunity to partner with other peak bodies, to then improve auDA's presence and open network opportunities.

The Chair noted the Committee welcomes direction from the Board with regard to its future focus, to then provide respective advice.

Action: The Committee noted an updated workplan will be tabled at the next meeting [Chair, March 2023]

The Chair confirmed there were no further questions from the Committee and thanked all members for their time and contribution at the meeting.

The Committee noted that the next meeting is scheduled in Sydney, **Wednesday 8 March 2023 at 11.00am – 1.00pm**.

The Meeting closed at 4.26pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

Keith Besgrove
Committee Chair

Date: