



## TRAUMA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the AGM held during the ANZCA ASM  
on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 1500 in Halls A & B at the Cairns Convention Centre 2009

### MINUTES

**1. Attendance and Apologies**

Attendance: Blair Munford, John Gillingham, Brian Pezzutti, Peter Cook and Andrew Dubyk

Apologies were received from: Ian Seppelt and John Williams

**2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The Minutes from the previous AGM on 4 May 2008 were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

**3. SIG Status**

3.1 Executive

The Chair advised that the Executive comprised of:

Dr James French	ACT
Dr John Moloney	VIC
Dr Brian Pezzutti	NSW
Dr Yatin Young	NZ

The Chair reported that the Executive would endeavour to co-opt members to represent the other states.

3.2 Membership

The Chair advised that the SIG currently has 153 Members.

3.3 Financial Report

The Chair reported that the Expenses for 2008 were \$2,399.00, which was for Secretarial support from the College throughout the year.

**4. Future Meetings**

The Chair reported that the Trauma SIG had formally come into existence about 18 months ago and had held its first meeting at the ASM in Sydney last year. He reported that it had been a similar

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format to the meeting this year in Cairns with two sessions held over an afternoon. There had been a total of three presentations aimed at the occasional trauma, followed by more sub specialised presentations for delegates who are more regularly involved in Trauma. Prior to this there had been a half day meeting in Melbourne before the SIG existed.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding holding a stand alone Trauma SIG meeting in the next 18 months. It was suggested that it should be run in conjunction with another meeting such as the ASM, ASA, SWAN meeting or the Australasian Trauma Society (ATS) Meeting. It was agreed that holding it the day before the conference started is preferable to having it later in the schedule. Topics suggested were Education, Standards and it was discussed that having input into the Curriculum Review Process was important. The Chair suggested that if they were to have a stand alone day meeting with the ATS next year it could still be possible to have session at the ASM in Christchurch regardless of whether the topics were about education, research or equipment. It was discussed that if it was linked with an ATS meeting the topics would not need to be purely around anaesthesia, as intensivists, emergency physicians and surgeons who attend this meeting may also be interested in trauma. The Chair agreed to determine if the next major ATS meeting is next year or in 2011. The Chair reported that the College would help coordinate the meeting as part of their Secretariat duties.

It was suggested to have 5 or 6 little informal meetings throughout the year to get SIG members together for half an hour to discuss various issues. It was agreed that this idea should be taken forward.

**5. Other Business**

With no further business the Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 1530.

**Dr John Moloney**  
**CHAIR**