

## FPM Board Annual Business Meeting

### Minutes

**Meeting date:** 5 May 2024  
**Meeting time:** 12.00-12.30pm AEST  
**Meeting venue:** Room F1 (Foyer level), at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Queensland

### Members:

Dr Kieran Davis	FPM Dean
Dr Dilip Kapur	FPM Vice-Dean and Dean-elect
Dr Leinani Salamasina Aiono Le-Tagaloa	Member and Vice-Dean-elect
Dr Amrita Prasad	New Fellow member
A/Prof Susie Lord	Member
Dr Murray Taverner	Member
Prof Michael Veltman	Member
Dr Scott Ma	ANZCA Council representative
Dr Amanda Wisely	Member

### In attendance:

Mr Nigel Fidgeon	ANZCA CEO
Ms Martina Otten	Executive Director FPM
Ms Anna Kleskovic	FPM Board and Executive Committee Secretariat

### Apologies:

Dr Tipu Aamir (NZ)	Dr Vyhunthan Ganeshanathan (WA)
Dr Nikolai Bogduk (NSW)	Dr Geoff Speldewinde (ACT)
Dr Chris Cokis (NSW)	Dr Noam Winter (Vic)
A/Prof Roger Goucke (WA)	

### Fellows present:

Dr Hannah Bennett (Qld)	Dr Irina Hollington (SA)	Dr Rob Park (NZ)
Dr Thomas Chalk (Qld)	Dr Edward Hughes (NZ)	Dr Rachel Sara (NZ)
Dr Chi Wing Chang (HK)	Dr David Jones (NZ)	Dr Vidya Shirumalla (NSW)
Dr Larissa Cowley (Qld)	Dr Craig Kennedy (Qld)	Dr Ian Thong (Qld)
Dr Meredith Daff (SA)	Dr Sharon Keripin (SA)	Dr Jane Thomas (NZ)
Dr Michael J Davis (NSW)	A/Prof Kok Khor (NSW)	A/Prof Michael Vagg (Vic)
Dr Poshitha De Silva (Qld)	Dr Pamela McIntyre (SA)	Dr Zoe Vella (Qld)
Dr Paul Frank (Qld)	Dr Faizur Noore (NSW)	Dr Melissa Viney (Vic)
Dr Andrew Goldbert (Vic)	Dr Stiofan O'Conghaile (Vic)	Dr Paul Wrigley (NSW)
Dr Chris Hayes (NSW)	Dr Mark O'Donnell (Qld)	Dr Tai-Tak Wan (NSW)

Item	Speaker
<p><b>1. Chair's welcome and apologies</b></p> <p>The Dean welcomed FPM board members, fellows and staff to the 2024 Annual Business Meeting of the Faculty of Pain Medicine.</p> <p>Apologies as detailed above.</p>	Chair
<p><b>2. Confirmation of minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes of the FPM Annual General Meeting held on 7 May 2023, were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.</p>	Chair
<p><b>3. FPM Dean's report</b></p> <p>The Dean's report was noted.</p> <p>The floor was opened to questions, with the following items raised: the faculty's response to the ABC episode on 'Four Corners of Pain Medicine'; the need for a pain device implant registry; the MRFF grant opportunities in support of health and medical research; current barriers for fellows to participate in the Procedures Endorsement Program; the lack of procedures featured in the current curriculum and the resulting impact on trainees; the role of the faculty in the pacific.</p> <p>Following the recent death of Prof Michael Cousins, the college is discussing an award to be offered in his honour the 2025 ASM.</p> <p>The Dean extended his thanks and appreciation to the efforts of fellows, committee members, trainees and staff in the ongoing work of the faculty.</p> <p><b>Members noted the FPM Dean's report provided by the Dean.</b></p>	Chair
<p><b>4. 2023 Annual report and financial report</b></p> <p>A complete set of the financials from the 2023 Annual Report was made available via the website in the lead up to the meeting, with no questions arising.</p> <p><b>Members noted the financial reports for the year ending 31 December 2023.</b></p>	M Otten
<p><b>5. Declaration of the polls for election of members to the FPM Board</b></p> <p>Five nominations were received for two vacancies on the 2024 FPM Board. The faculty proceeded to an election between 20 January to 8 February 2024, with a 47% of FPM fellows participating in the election.</p> <p>The dean congratulated Dr Leinani Aiono-Le-Tagaloa on her appointment as the FPM Vice-Dean, A/Prof Susie Lord on her re-election to the board and welcomed Dr Irina Hollington to the FPM Board. Members noted that Dr Tipu Aamir has been co-opted back onto the Board.</p> <p>The unsuccessful candidates, Dr Timmy Chi Wing Chan and Dr Alan Nazha were thanked for nominating.</p> <p><b>Members noted the outcome of the declaration of the polls for the 2024 FPM Board election.</b></p>	Chair
<p><b>6. FPM Dean's Prize</b></p> <p>The 'FPM Dean's Prize' was not awarded.</p>	Chair
<p><b>7. FPM Best Free Paper Award</b></p> <p>The award is judged on the best contribution to the FPM free papers session submitted at the ANZCA Annual Scientific Meeting.</p> <p>The Dean announced that Dr Joanna Vo has been awarded the "Best Free Paper Award" for 'Substantial savings possible with direction of funds to outpatient pain management'.</p>	

<b>8. Other business</b> Outgoing FPM Dean Dr Kieran Davis congratulated Dr Dilip Kapur on taking office as the incoming FPM Dean, and wished him well in the role over the next two years No other items of business were tabled in advance of the meeting.	
The FPM Dean thanked everyone for attending and the meeting concluded at 12.25pm (AEST).	Chair



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Date: 10 July 2024

**Chair, FPM Dean Dr Kieran Davis**

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