

<b>DATE</b>	Wednesday 17 July 2019 5.30pm	<b>VENUE</b>	HopgoodGanim, Level 7, 1 Eagle Street, Brisbane
<b>MEETING TYPE</b>	Annual General Meeting	<b>COPIES</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	Graeme Milligan	<b>Apologies</b>	
<b>Recorder</b>	Danielle Bolton		

TOPIC	ACTION	WHO
<b>Confirmation of 2017/18 AGM Minutes</b>	The 2018 minutes require endorsement	Moved by Rod Welford, seconded by Scott Hanna
<b>Business arising from previous minutes</b>		
<b>President's Report</b>	<p>Graeme gave the President's report.</p> <p>Graeme said we have had a good year and have been able to deliver some key deliverables with a good committee and Danielle Bolton.</p> <p>One of the key projects last year was to deliver a 6 day training program for the DES.</p> <p>We have 478 people attendee our events in the pasts 12 months.</p> <p>Membership has increased to 533 members and we continue to be the largest Division within Australia.</p> <p>We had 39 mentor/mentee pairs throughout the year.</p> <p>We continue to have a solid representation of Certified Environmental Practitioner's (CEnvP). We are slightly behind NSW and we will continue to strive for a strong and healthy involvement.</p> <p>The financial result for the year had a loss of almost \$20 000. We are aiming for a break even year next year. We have cut back the Secretary hours in an attempt to manage the process. The Divisions is reinvigorating work on the partnership program. We hope there will be some healthy competition amongst the consulting firms and they will bring some additional income to the table.</p> <p>There was a submission lodged through the year on the review of animal breeding places provision under the Nature Conservation Regulations with the Queensland Government.</p>	

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	<p>We had 14 events throughout the year. This year we have doubled the number of events. Our membership attendance at events remains steady at 45%.</p> <p>The Student and Early Career professionals have had another busy year. It has had a very successful mentor program.</p> <p>We have attended a number of student career events for several universities and also presented to grade 10 students at St John's College recently.</p> <p>Our future directions include establishing a consultants leadership group where we hope to get some key people from the major Consulting organisations. We will continue to run webinars to reach our regional members. We recently ran one looking at the functionality of the Queensland Globe application.</p> <p>We will continue to work with Government. We recently met with DES to see how we can best support them. We hope to extend this to other agencies.</p> <p>We hope to increase our use of volunteers. This will help us to ease the use of the Secretariat.</p> <p>We held a core strategic planning exercise earlier this year where we did some core planning for the next.</p> <p>Our next event will be Career Planning in an age of uncertainty on 31 July and all were encouraged to attend.</p> <p>Graeme thanked Howard for recommending Bryan to come along to the AGM tonight and present.</p> <p>Graeme thanked a number of organisations that support us throughout the year. This included HopgoodGanim, Cardno, Inland Rail, Jacobs, GHD, Golder, Central Queensland University and Pitt and Sherry. This can be as simple supplying a room for an event.</p> <p>Graeme made special thanks to Robbie Johns for his work as the mentor co-ordinator in both 2018 and again in 2019 and Adrian Caneris for his work on the Wildlife Advisory Committee.</p> <p>The SEQ Division have a strong representation on the national committees.</p> <p>Rod Welford said thank you to the Committee for their excellent work, in particular with the DES training program.</p>	

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	<p>Rod Welford noted that Griffith University are the first university to be accredited under the QAS program. He noted we could provide a conduit in a more deliberate way to get students into the workforce. Would be useful to reestablish a formal engagement with the school. There is no reason why we couldn't do 2 half year intakes for the mentoring program in assisting students in being work ready. Griffith University also have an excellent mentoring program and a number of members also participate in that program. Students from Griffith said they would like a program to help get some work experience – they do a lot of work through lecturers and need real world experience. Gina Minatel noted that she studied ecology and uses 5% of the degree in her job where as 95% has been learnt on the job.</p> <p>Piet Filet said that it would be good if we could pool some of our resources. CRC water and Queensland Water modelling network for example. We could bring together some of the convenors so that we can see how we get some synergy. This has been discussed at a committee level before now.</p> <p>Graeme agreed that we are focusing on a multidisciplinary, multi objective role for the Division and will continue to do so.</p> <p>Howard congratulated the committee. Howard questioned if we ask members why they decide not to rejoin as members. Although we call members for renewal, some would only give honest feedback if they could have anonymity. Danielle to go to CO with suggestion of an exit survey.</p>	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	The Treasurer's report was included in the President's report.	
<b>Vote of thanks to 2018/19 Committee</b>	<p>Graeme thanked the Committee. They are great people and passionate about what we do.</p> <p>They are committed to the organisation and their passion shines through on the work that we do.</p> <p>Thanks also to Martin Ross who left us in March this year.</p>	
<b>Election of 2019/20 Committee Members</b>	<p>All position were declared vacant and nominations received will be taken as accepted.</p> <p>President – Graeme Milligan  Vice President – Jon Womersley  Treasurer - Geraldine Squires  PD Chair - Olivia Williamson  SECP Chair – Alex Prideaux  Policy Chair - vacant  General Committee Members – David Carberry, Melissa Cowlshaw, Kirsty Douglas and Gina Minatel.</p>	Danielle Bolton
<b>General Business</b>	Jon gave a brief update on the QAS. This is a formal accreditation process for University degrees. Griffith	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEnvP Update</li> <li>• Qualification Accreditation Scheme</li> </ul>	<p>University are the first university to receive accreditation. We have an application from the University of Otago which is being considered. We are expecting applications from Lincoln University. We have ongoing conversations with UQ, CQU and RMIT. It was agreed to not try and accredit all different pathways as this would be too much for us to take on. CEnvP bring those people into the fold on a professional level.</p> <p>Bryan Jenkins presented the life membership certificate to Alan Chenoweth.</p>	
<b>Meeting Close</b>	The meeting was closed at 6.40pm.	