

Crop Science Society of SA AGM 2018



Meeting held at Richardson Theatre Roseworthy, University of Adelaide on 18/7/2018.

Meeting opened: 7:40pm.

Apologies:

A Pfitzner, K Porker, D Peterson, B Munzberg, C Hazelton, P Cousins, M Nash, A Robinson, S Hollmann, M Bubner, D Sommerville.

Minutes of previous AGM accepted.

Moved: C Butler Seconded: P Smith Accepted

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

None

Presidents Report (J Wilson)

The past 2 years have provided me with valuable experience in working with Crop Science and being able to listen to growers and consultants as to what is important issues affecting the South Australian farming community and finding speakers to help address and expand on topics that are relevant to our membership base.

While meeting attendance has been an ongoing roller coaster, topical issues are typically well attended.

In the past 2 years we have gone paperless for newsletters not only saving on costs but allowing a greater content of newsletters with more imagery and the scope for further enhancement with technological advances and interaction.

We have also undertaken and completed a review of the constitution that had not been amended since the inception of Crop Science Society.

The Twilight crop walk in October was a great success being able to view the trials around the campus and a big thanks also to AGT that spent a considerable time showing us through their trials, new machinery, glasshouses and the technology they are using for variety assessment. Anthony Violi from AV Weather gave a very different if not controversial presentation on weather and the forecasts and different view from the government bodies.

I would like to thank the members of Crop Science for electing me and providing me the opportunity to be President for the last 2 years.

Moved: J Wilson Seconded: R Wheeler Accepted

Secretaries Report (N Wittwer)

- No external correspondence received for the 12 months.
- The committee has drafted 2 letters on behalf of CSSSA to be sent to PIRSA regarding “Right to Farm” and “Good Science” to be approved by the general members before submission.

Moved: N Wittwer Seconded: T Robinson Accepted

Treasurers Report (J Wilson on behalf of S Fuss)

CROP SCIENCE SOCIETY OF SA
TREASURERS REPORT END JUNE 2018

SUMMARY

- CSSA is showing a PROFIT for the year of **\$2445.26**
- as per profit and loss statement
- **ANZ CASH MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT** BALANCE END JUNE 2017 IS **\$10,651.86**
- **ANZ TERM DEPOSIT** BALANCE AT END JUNE 2017 IS **\$86,977.60**
- Subscription income received as below
 - 15/16 \$165
 - 16/17 \$759
 - 17/18 \$7986

There are currently 365 members on the data base

- Free one-year subs were NOT issued to Uni Diploma of Ag Students- Did not receive their details.
- 5 New paid members.
- 18 members have been removed from the database. The majority of those had not paid subs for the previous 2 years. A few were removed at their request, for varying reasons.

Moved J Wilson Seconded D Shepard Accepted

Letters Drafted for PIRSA

The Committee has drafted two letters to be sent to PIRSA on behalf of CSSSA members

1. The need for a balanced view of science
2. The right to farm

Both letters were read for the general members for comment and the motion to send them to Hon. Tim Whetstone. & Hon. Stephan Knoll

Moved C Davis Seconded N Wittwer Accepted

Constitution Review

After a 12 month review process undertaken predominantly by P Smith, the updated constitution for CSSSA was completed in early 2018.

J Wilson thanked Peter for his efforts in getting this done.

Membership Cost

- The committee recommends the cost remains at \$33.00

Moved C Butler Seconded P Smith Accepted

CSSSA to appoint an admin position

To ensure the CSSSA continues to function to the expectations of the members, the committee is proposing a paid admin role be established. A subcommittee has been established to outline the roles of this position and gain quotes from potential service providers. Once the subcommittee has formulated an official proposal, it will be presented to the member for consideration before proceeding.

CSSSA Life memberships

Nominations:

- P Cousins
- J Both
- P Smith

Moved J Wilson Seconded C Davis Accepted

Crop Science Committee

Resignations

- R Bateman
- C Jeisman
- C Hazelton

J. Wilson thanked these members for their contribution to the CSSSA.

Call for nominations

- President: Craig Davis
Nominated T Robinson Seconded R Wheeler Accepted
- Vice President: Kenton Porker
Nominated C Davis Seconded J Wilson Accepted
- Secretary: Peter Smith
Nominated N Wittwer Seconded D Shepard Accepted
- Treasurer: Neil Wittwer
Nominated C Davis Seconded T Robinson Accepted
- Public Office: Peter Smith
Nominated N Wittwer Seconded J Wilson Accepted
- Committee Members to re stand
 - Judy Rathjen
 - Kenton Porker
 - Tom Robinson
 - Anthony Pfitzner
 - Ben FleetNominated N Wittwer Seconded R Wheeler Accepted
- New Committee Members: Ben Munzberg and Dan Petersen
Nominated C Davis Seconded C Butler Accepted

Crop Science Society of SA Signatories.

- Signatories
 - Craig Davis (President)
 - Susan Fuss (Book keeper)
 - Anthony Pfitzner (Committee Member)

Meeting Closed

- 8:30pm

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