

IIT Alumni Victoria (IITaV)

Meeting:	AGM 2021
Date:	Saturday, 6 th Feb 2021, 3:00PM – 4:00PM AEST
Venue:	Online Meeting via Zoom
Attendees:	Sridhar Karuppasami, Abaran Deep, Sarbjit Giddey, Dilip Desai, Nikhil Kumar, Amit Dogra, Ashok Sharma, Divakar Prasad, Harvinder Giddey, Madur Chand, Meenakshi Arora, Murali Sastry, Raj Rajkumar, Raja Shekhar Ravi, Raman Singh, Srinivas Mettu, Sunny Chandra, Yogendra Vashishtha
Apologies:	Arun Kumar
Proxies:	None
Due Dates:	Action items due by the following committee meeting, unless stated otherwise

Agenda:

- 1) Welcome, Apologies and Proxies
- 2) Approve minutes of 2019 AGM
- 3) President's and Treasurer's Report 2019-20
- 4) Nominations and Elections for 2021–2022 Management Committee
- 5) Welcome and hand-over to the 2021-22 Management Committee

Item	Update	Decision / Action(s)	Assignee(s)
1. Welcome, Apologies and Proxies	Welcome by Abaran, Apologies and Proxies mentioned as above.	None	None
2. Approve minutes of 2019 AGM	Sridhar presented the highlights of the last AGM minutes to the attendees. Acceptance of last AGM's MoM – acceptance proposed by Raman Singh; seconded by Murali Sastry.	None	None
3. President's and Treasurer's report	Sarbjit presented the President's Report covering activities since the last AGM. The report included a reminder on the strategic goals and a recap of the activities over 2019 and 2020. The activities were successful due to the contributions of various people. These include the guest presenters for the webinars, and family members for the social events. A special thanks to Steve Bungay for making his office available for planning activities for the committee. Due to Covid restrictions, there were no in-person events over most of 2020. As a result of lower expenses during this period, the membership for all active members has been extended by one year.	None	None

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	<p>Divakar presented the Treasurer's Report. In addition to the report contents some other observations were made. These include – increase in the amount of Membership Liability was due to new members who have paid for more than one year. The suggestions made in the Audit report have been implemented.</p> <p>Acceptance of Treasurer's report – acceptance proposed by Nikhil Kumar; seconded by Sunny Chandra.</p> <p>The discussions with Monash University in relation to Corporate Membership were progressing well but were paused due to Covid. These have now recommenced and given the anticipated change in the committee membership they should be concluded by the existing committee.</p>	Conclude membership discussion with Monash	Sarbjit (by end March 2021)
4. Nominations and Elections	<p>9 nominations have been received for the next committee and as such an election is not needed. The proposed committee nominations were approved.</p> <p>Raman Singh thanked the outgoing committee members for their contribution. The incoming committee members were thanked for volunteering their time for the coming year. Success in the coming year will require combined effort across all and contributions from all will be welcome.</p>	Election is complete and approved.	None
5. Handover / open discussion on way forward	<p>The discussions and follow-on actions are summarised below by theme. These will be picked up by the new committee in planning activities for the coming year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Building the IIT brand – consider a two-pronged approach which includes engagement with IITs directly (Murali to lead) and promotion of IITs locally in Industry (Raja to lead) and Universities (Srinivas to lead) b) Social events – outgoing committee members and family groups can be included in future committee meetings to plan and organise social events. c) Speakers for future networking events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Saurabh Mishra; Murali Sastry; Sunny Chandra (immigration – visa pathways, tips and tricks) ii. Seek feedback from Dean / Deputy Dean of our university corporate members to understand what they would like from IITaV d) Growing the membership base - over 250 IITans in Victoria; our membership is ~50; challenge is convincing people about value; need to clearly communicate benefits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. How to increase engagement for non-committee members ii. How could we collaborate with the Sydney based IITAA iii. How to increase IIT brand awareness and use that as a drawcard iv. Free trial membership; focus on younger people –mentoring for IITians new to Australia 	<p>Provide Charles Sturt contact to Sunny</p> <p>Organise session with members to brainstorm ideas</p>	<p>Raja Ravi</p> <p>New committee</p>