

# AUSTRALIAN CAR WASH ASSOCIATION MINUTES

## OF 26th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Royal Perth Yacht Club Crawley Perth 15 November 2023

#### THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 12.15 PM.

#### **APOLOGIES**

An apology received from ACWA Director Tony Young was acknowledged.

### **REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

A register of members was established, and it was determined there was a quorum present including, but not limited to, the following members who signed the register:

#### **Director Members**

Neil Fox (ACWA President), Joy Waite (ACWA Director) Matt Hood (ACWA Director), Stephen Rzepka (ACWA Director), Craig Campbell (ACWA Director), Sam Casilli (ACWA Director), Allen Chimes (ACWA Director), Richard Brown (ACWA Director), Maurice Campanelli (ACWA Director), Julie Campbell (ACWA Director), Andrew Triantafillou (ACWA Director), David Rose (ACWA Director), Daniel Haynes Waves Carwash.

#### **Other Members**

Scott Bryson SWP Australia/, Joshua Cameron Car Wash Solutions Australia/, Eugine Wauchope MGA Insurance Brokers/, Pat Gibellini Tommys Tunnel Express/, Rory Hilton Car Wash Sales and Advisory/, Simon Wheeler Aqua Vallet Carwash/, Mark Knox Colt Group/, Vince Pisani Tumbi Carwash/, Russel Waite Paytech Solutions/, Chris Read Supashine Carwash/, Leana Caile Phillip Island Car Wash/, Mark Stanich Squirters Car Wash/, Greg and Karen Bussell Busselton Prowash/, Clint Jakovich Nu Shine Car Wash/, Paul Avery Kooler Ice Australia/, Tracey Michaels TM+C Building Design/Scott Bristow Prowash.

## **PROXIES**

No proxies were submitted for the meeting.

# TRADE PRACTICES STATEMENT

The President issued the Trade Practices Statement to the meeting, asking members to refrain from any discussions that may breach the Act.



### **CONFIRMATION OF AGM MINUTES 2021**

Minutes of the previous meeting had been made available to members before the meeting. Members were asked to confirm the minutes of the 2022 AGM held in Sydney.

The President called for a member to propose their adoption as an accurate reflection of that meeting.

Proposed: Richard Brown

Seconded: Joy Waite

Carried

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

On behalf of the Directors of the Australian Car Wash Association, the President warmly welcomed car wash operators and exhibitors from across Australia to the AGM and Rinse! He recorded his excitement of hosting the Rinse! event in his hometown, Perth.

ACWA President Neil Fox delivered his report to the meeting. In summary, the President made the following points:

- Car Wash Show Australia 2022.
  - The event conducted in Sydney was a roaring success despite the Sydney Swans making the Preliminary Final and the Queen's passing messed up travel costs and created a public holiday on the event's second day.
  - Car Wash Show Australia 2022 achieved a positive financial outcome, and ACWA received fantastic feedback from suppliers and operators alike.
  - o The next Car Wash Show Australia will be held in Sydney in August 2024.
- ACWA's financial position had never been better.
  - In 2017, the Association reported a net asset position of \$10,000, from a deficit position of (\$4,025) in 2016.
  - o Today, ACWA's net asset position is a very healthy \$220,000.
- The hard work of the executive team of Fiona, Janine and Doug in ensuring ACWA spends and invests wisely was acknowledged.
- The fine work and oversight of ACWA's esteemed Treasurer, Tony Young, was acknowledged.
- The favourable financial position allows ACWA to invest in strategic directives that will continue to deliver greater benefits to our membership base.
- ACWA Directors had engaged in a strategic planning session during the year and have developed
  plans for the next five years. The Plan is designed to ensure the Association continues to grow and
  deliver to its membership.
  - One initiative already completed is the ACWA Consumer Survey 2023, which was developed and implemented to help guide members and support them with ancillary suppliers such as banks and investors.



- A further initiative for 2023 was the announcement of the ACWA Car Wash Industry Award, with three inaugural winners to be announced at the AGM.
- During the year, there was record attendance at state meetings, demonstrating the importance of bringing people together and the growing interest in the car wash industry.
- The importance of being environmentally friendly also came to the forefront, particularly in Victoria in 2022-23, as that state's EPA stepped up its monitoring of the car wash industry.
  - The President pleaded with all operators to look at sites critically and properly manage drainage, runoff and waste.

The President concluded by once again thanking ACWA staff, Treasurer Tony Young and all those who had attended the AGM. He invited all in attendance to make the most of the Rinse! event set to commence after the AGM.

The President's Report was put to the meeting for adoption.

Proposed: Julie Campbell

Seconded: Sam Casilli

Carried

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Written copies of the Financial Statements were made available to members online.

A proposal to adopt the Financial Statements was placed before members.

Proposed: Richard Brown

Seconded: Daniel Haynes

Carried

### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Retiring Directors of the Board (list as follows) renominated for Board Positions

Neil Fox	The Wash Factory
Greg Boston	The Car Spa
Joy Waite	Paytech Solutions
Allen Chimes	Star Car Wash
Andrew Triantafyllou	Wash World Car Wash
Stephen Rzepka	Piranha Car Wash Systems
Julie Campbell	Oakleigh Carwash



The candidates were placed before the membership for election:

# **Carried Unopposed**

Two additional member nominations were received for election to the Board:

Nominee	Member Company	Nominator	Member Company
Rory Hilton	Carwash Sales and Advisory	Eugene Wauchope	Cruisers Car Wash
David Rose	Quick and Clean Car Wash	Matthew Hood	Smiley Car Wash

The candidates were put to the meeting for election:

# **Carried Unopposed**

### APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR

It was recommended that Acumon Auditing be appointed as auditors for 2023-24.

Proposed: Richard Brown

Seconded: Daniel Haynes

Carried

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

As no matters of General Business were placed before the meeting, the President used the General Business forum to announce the inaugural winners of the ACWA Australian Car Wash Industry Awards. The winners in the two AWARD categories were:

- ACWA Australian Car Wash Employee of the Year 2023: Greg Waddington (Strathdale Oasis Car Spa)
- ACWA Australian Car Wash Managers of the Year 2023: Jess Tauhine (Zoom Carwash) and Vince Pisani (Tumbi Carwash).

Vince Pisani was at the meeting to accept his Award. The President congratulated all the award winners.

## **MEETING CLOSED**

There being no further business, the Company President declared the meeting closed at 12.50 PM.