

EFA Board Meeting 20 October 2022

Minutes

Meeting opened 7.40pm AEST

Chair: Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

Attendance

Present: Justin Warren, Lyndsey Jackson, Matt, Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker, Grant Orchard, Amy Patterson, Paul Ruberry (joined 7:51pm)

Apologies: Vanessa

Acceptance of Past Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the board meeting of 21 September 2022 be accepted as a fair and accurate recording of the meetings.

Moved: Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

Seconded: Justin Warren

For: Lyndsey Jackson, Grant Orchard

Abstain: Matthew Watt

Motion carried

Declaration of Interests

Nil

Chair Report

The chair's report was presented to the meeting.

- Data breach season, a lot of media.
- From the commentary, it is positive that (despite it being a negative thing) there is now discussions to update the Privacy Act
- It's been important to position the companies as not being the victims
- All civil society groups seem to be pushing a similar line, and this seems to be working for the debate
- We await seeing what practically will eventuate
- Facial surveillance report dropped - the model law came out, Choice was favourable. We expected more noise to be made on this.

Treasurer Report

Paul updated the meeting with highlights from the financial reports for the past month.

- A good month
- Memberships seem to have caught up
- The audit has been done and is ready to go to the AGM
- We have quotes for new auditors, both of them are for a lesser cost than the two incumbents. We will need to go back to one of the auditors for further quoting.

Motion: that the financials be adopted as a true and correct record of our financial position

Moved: Paul Ruberry

Second: Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

For: Justin Warren, Lyndsey Jackson, Matthew Watt, Grant Orchard, Amy Patterson

Motion carried

Motion: that the board recommends that Arabon be put to the AGM as the auditor

Moved: Paul Ruberry

Second: Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

For: Justin Warren, Lyndsey Jackson, Matthew Watt, Grant Orchard, Amy Patterson

Motion carried

Policy Update

- We participated in the Digi feedback sessions. We have talking points from this meeting. We are ready to respond when Digi submits.
- Kat shared information about the Facial Surveillance campaign with Choice and Digital Rights Watch and some other organisations. This campaign is differentiating between personal use such as phones, vs mass surveillance. With Digital Rights Watch we are working on a new campaign website. Kat shared a policy document with talking points when responding. Discussions on additional questions on the issue, and publishing the policy and sharing with members. Kat will continue the discussion on Slack as to how to best communicate policy with members.

Membership Team

- Discussion about broadening the partnerships with other organisations and making membership more accessible to grassroots groups. Solidarity memberships are added as an action for the new board to review.
- Paul has updated membership status of people that have paid via EFT into Civi.
- There are concerns about the membership process, there has been issues with it after the move, we think these things have been improved, but the join flow needs to be improved. Kat, Matt, and Paul will look into who in the market to see who could assist with Civi issues we are having.

Motion: All new members be accepted as paid members of the organisation

Moved: Justin Warren

Second: Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

For: Lyndsey Jackson, Matthew Watt, Grant Orchard, Amy Patterson, Paul Ruberry

Motion carried

Actions Progress

The board discussed progress on actions in the actions register.

AGM

There is no vote required for the AGM as there were not more positions than nominations than vacancies. Lyndsey Jackson, Grant Orchard, and Vanessa Teague will step down at the next AGM.

The AGM for Saturday the 12th of November would mean that a notification to members would need to go on Saturday

Motion: That the 2022 AGM will be held on November 12 at 3pm AEDT

Moved: Justin Warren

Second: Paul Ruberry

For: Lyndsey Jackson, Matthew Watt, Grant Orchard, Amy Patterson, Kathryn Gledhill-Tucker

Motion carried

Other Business

Discussed having a strategic committee in the future, this will be carried to the new board.

Discussed other business items for the AGM to say that we will be tweaking and changing some of the rules - Paul has some examples and we are advising members that we will be doing this and members will have time for feedback and updates, and ideas.

Lyndsey's last board meeting. OMG. We will miss her so much!!

Next Meeting

17 November 2022

Meeting closed 9:30pm AEST

Actions Register

Tracking progress on actions assigned at previous board meetings.

Action No.	Description	Responsible	Due By
2021-11-25.02	Membership team terms of reference created <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Draft with no ratification date, add to new board's agenda to ratify and constitute the teams	New board	
2021-11-25.03	Systems team terms of reference created <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Draft with no ratification date, add to new board's agenda to ratify and constitute the teams	New board	
2022-01-19.04	Donations policy development. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Partially completed draft with no ratification date, add	New board	

	to new board's agenda to ratify and constitute the teams		
2022-07-20.01	Facebook Oversight Board statement of disengagement.	Justin	
2022-10-20	Solidarity memberships	New board	
2022-10-20	Strategic committee	New board	