

Date: Jul 14, 2025 Meeting opened at: 7:40pm AEST. Meeting closed at: 8:41pm AEST.

Held via online (Google Meet), not recorded.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. Attendance

Present: John P, Bianca G, Andrew S, Shaun B, Cate D (Gillian D)

3. Confirmation of agenda

One addition to the agenda at the end of other business for Cate.

4. Regular agenda items

Member Application Approvals

The following membership applications were received:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Motion: That applicants listed in the Board Report be accepted as members of the Association, subject to receipt of the payment.

Moved: Andrew S

Seconded: Bianca G

For: John P, Andrew S, Bianca G, Cate D

Abstain: Shaun B

Motion Carried

Action: Andrew S to send an email to an applicant who hasn't yet paid.

Activities update

- Age Assurance Technology Trial: John P shared that findings from the trial are trickling out and lack hard data, and some vendors involved demonstrating lack of good cybersecurity/privacy practices. Made some critical observations that were recorded in the minutes of the advisory board. Already reporting on a resignation

from the advisory board team. Also someone on the board has leaked details to the media. Board discussed benefits of EFA leaving the advisory board.

Motion: for EFA representative to resign from Age Assurance Technology Trial advisory board.

Moved: John P

Seconded: Cate D

For: unanimous

Motion Carried

Submissions Update

- Whistleblower Protection Authority Bill: EFA submission has been put in. Someone shared with us a submission they had written but could not submit without disclosing their identity.
- Civil society closed meeting with eSafety Commissioner staff: John P attended a meeting with other civil society representatives.
- Children's Privacy Code: John P about to start writing a submission. Due at the end of July.

EFA outreach/event/media attendance

John P shared that there has been a large amount of inbound media inquiries in the past month.

- WhatsApp ads: Some coverage around Meta's introduction of ads in WhatsApp.
- SMMA/AATT: Points picked up by SBS news and Crikey
- Nintendo Switch 2 ownership rights
- Qantas 3rd party data breach: Many publications including ABC News, InnovationAus, Channel 10, Sky Australia
- eSafety pushing age tests on search engines

Risk management

Nothing to report.

Complaints/compliments

One visitor to EFA website reached out to us to note that their use of VPN and Javascript blocking resulted in Cloudflare blocking their access to the website. One volunteer is trying to fix this.

John P provided some high level advice to an inbound request on privacy rights. They were very thankful.

5. Other business

Discuss update to Complaints and Feedback Policy and Procedure

Bianca G provided a summary of the background to development to complaints policy, and shared the intent to finalise through intersessional resolution or at next board meeting.

Conflict of Interest Policy

Bianca G shared the background to the conflict of interest policy, and how it has been drafted based on the standard Institute of Community Directors Australia policy.

Motion: that EFA adopts this Conflict of Interest Policy, replacing all previous similar policies.

Moved: Andrew S

Seconded: Bianca G

For: unanimous

Motion Carried

Appointments to roles detailed in Board Position Description Policy

Board discussed possible people to be appointed to roles, and also that the appointments can be made subject to the people accepting them. The board discussed asking whether our contractor might be interested in taking on membership officer duties, assuming keeping it within budget. Laura Woods was added into the proposal.

The board also discussed the potential for involving University students in EFA activities, such as having University chapters, and the need to increase awareness.

Motion: that EFA updates the Delegation of Authority Register as described in this proposal, appointing the individuals listed to the roles described in the Board Position Description Delegations proposal, subject to their acceptance, and delegates all of the described rights and powers to them to allow them to perform the duties for those roles.

Moved: Andrew S

Seconded: Cate D

For: unanimous

Motion Carried

AI article collaboration with Prof Marcus Wigan

Cate shared a planned article on three generations of people on AI, including Marcus Wigan, Thalia Greinke, and her. Issues with lack of relevant laws.

6. Meeting Close 8:41pm AEST

Next meeting date: 2025-08-11 7:30pm AEST