



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE OF MEETING

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Date and Time: Wednesday, 28 September 2022
3.30 – 4.30pm

Venue: The Heritage Room
NSW Teachers Federation Conference Centre
37 Reservoir Street, Surry Hills, NSW

Please RSVP to anzela@anzela.edu.au to advise of your intended attendance

Attached Notices:

- Agenda
- Proxy Form
- Nomination Form
- Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2021

Note that Institutional Members are entitled to have only one vote for their Institution at the AGM.

Financial Statements will be available separately

Carol Howard
Secretary

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AGENDA

1. Opening
2. Address and Annual Report: The President
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021
4. Financial Report
5. ANZJLE: Journal Report from the Editor
6. Chapter Reports
7. Election of Directors
8. Close of Meeting

The Annual General meeting will be followed by a Meeting of Directors, to elect:

- A a Director as President
- B a Director as Vice President
- C a Director as Secretary
- D a Director as Treasurer

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT BY PROXY

I, of
being a member of the Australia and New Zealand Education Law Association Ltd hereby appoint to vote for me and on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of members to be held on Wednesday, 29 September 2022 at 3.30pm.

Dated this day of 2022

Signed

Witness

By email to anzela@anzela.edu.au

(proxy by post must be received by the Secretariat no later than Monday, 26 September 2022)
The Secretary AGM 2021
Australia and New Zealand Education Law Association Ltd
ANZELA C/- GPO Box 104, Hobart TAS 7001

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NOMINATION FORM FOR THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

I, being a member of Australia and New Zealand Education Law Association of Chapter, hereby nominate the following person to be a Director of Australia and New Zealand Education Law Association Ltd for the year following the Annual General Meeting of members to be held on Wednesday, 29 September 2022 at 3.30pm

Person nominated:

Person making the nomination:

Secunder for the nomination:

Signature of Nominator:Date / / 2022

Signature of person nominated:

Nominations must be received by the AGM Meeting Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting. Nominations in advance should be sent by email to anzela@anzela.edu.au

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The Secretary AGM 2022
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Secretary

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2021 Annual General Meeting

Agenda

11 am, 5 November 2021

By Zoom

1. Attendance:

Virginia Goldblatt (NZ), Carol Howard (NSW), Alan Knowsley (NZ), Jason Newman (Vic), John O'Brien (Qld), Katharine L O'Donnell (Tas), Kevin Moloney (Vic), John Orr (NSW), John Kennedy (Qld), Judy McConnell (NSW), Vernita Zigouras (Vic), Tryon Francis (NSW), Lucy York (NSW), Jennifer Elvery (NSW), Jo Spencer (Tas)

2. Apologies:

Leanne Newsom (Vic), Bradley Hall (SA), Sally Varnham (NSW/NZ), Judy McConnell NSW, Denise Evans NZ, Andrew Knott (QLD), Tony Houey (SA), Rachel Pepper (Qld), Bill Anderson (NZ),

3. Acknowledgement of Country

ANZELA respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which we individually meet and pays respect to their Elders, both past and present.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting previously distributed by email, were tabled and accepted as a true and accurate account of the proceedings and discussion.

Moved: Jason Newman, Seconded Alan Knowsley . CARRIED.

5. President's Report

Report tabled by Katharine O'Donnell– Copy attached

6. Financial Report

The Treasurer, Andrew Knott tabled the audited signed financial report for 2020-21. He reported that ANZELA appeared to be in a sound position and provided figures for each State and National Body.

Moved Venita Zigorus: Seconded Carol Howard ***Carried***

7. Journal Report

The current Editor, John O'Brien noted that in 2021, the Board made decision to change the way in which the Journal is distributed.

Members will now receive immediate access to an article once it has been accepted for publication, rather than having to wait for a "volume's worth" to be ready. At the end of each year, the individual articles will still be compiled into one volume for ease of future access.

This will hopefully mean that articles on topical issues can be disseminated in a more-timely fashion.

The first of these articles were recently published.

In "*When Sleeping is Working – the Definition of Work in a Boarding School*", author Nic Hill (headmaster of Christchurch Boys' High School) examines the employment law issues that arise for New Zealand boarding school staff. It is an interesting read, and not just for those in New Zealand, but for the purposes of comparing to your own jurisdiction wherever you are in the world!

Following that, John O'Brien has contributed "*An Initial Comparison of Truancy Laws Across Australia and New Zealand*", which examines the laws related to compulsory education across the eight Australian jurisdictions and New Zealand. It includes analysis of the ages which are relevant, the maximum penalties which parents are subject to, and the range of excuses provided for non-compliance.

Also attached was a short book review by long-time ANZELA member and director, Andrew Knott, where he discusses a new education law book published this year, "*Law and Ethics for Australian Teachers*". This book has been authored by Mark Butlin, Noeleen McNamara, and Kerrie Anglin.

A special congratulations was sent to Mark and Kerrie, who are members of ANZELA and serve on the Queensland Chapter committee.

The Board wishes to acknowledge the work of John O'Brien who very kindly prepared and edited these Journal Articles.

8. Chapter Reports

- a) NSW: Report tabled by Carol Howard– Copy attached
- b) VIC: Report tabled by Vernita Zigorus – Copy attached
- c) QLD: Report tabled by John O'Brien - Copy attached
- d) NZ: Report Tabled by Virginia Goldblatt - Copy attached
- e) SA: Verbal report – Katharine O'Donnell

For the AGM there is nothing to report from the SA chapter as they have been 'dormant' and no activities have been organised by the SA chapter for the reporting period.

9. Elections of Directors for 2021-22

For the nine director vacancies, nominations were received for:

Katharine O'Donnell (Vic/Tas)
Jason Newman (Vic)
Kevin Moloney (Vic)

Carol Howard (NSW)
John Orr (NSW)
John O'Brien (Qld)
Andrew Knott (Qld)
Virginia Goldblatt (NZ)
Alan Knowsley (NZ)

As the number of persons nominated was the same for the number of vacant positions, all nominations were accepted, and persons elected as Directors. Katharine O'Donnell congratulated Directors and thanked them for their willingness to undertake this role.

Moved Carol Howard **Accepted**

10. General Business:

Katharine closed meeting noting difficulties of the year.

AGM Meeting Closed: 12.10 pm

Minutes of Meeting of Directors to elect Office Bearers for 2021-22

Immediately following the ANZELA Annual General Meeting, the newly elected Directors held a meeting to elect Office Bearers for 2021-22

Director as President: Person/s nominated - Katharine O'Donnell

Moved Jason Newman Seconded Carol Howard

Director as Vice President: Person/s nominated Jason Newman

Moved Katharine O'Donnell Seconded: Kevin Moloney

Director as Secretary: Person/s nominated – Carol Howard

Moved Katharine O'Donnell Seconded Jason Newman

Director as Treasurer: Person/s nominated – Andrew Knott

Moved Carol Seconded Katharine O'Donnell

Membership Fees

Given that a free year has applied and that States have things planned for 2022, the Executive agreed that the membership fees will return to 2019 fees.

That being:

- Individuals \$140

- Retired \$70
- Organisational \$275 up to 5 delegates to conferences.
- Full time student members free while in full time study.

Moved Katherine O'Donnell Seconded Carol Howard

Next Meetings – teleconference

Proposed meeting dates 2022

February in Person wait to see whether states/NZ are open to travel.

May – Wednesday 4 May 2022 @ @ 4pm Aus /6pm NZ

July – Wednesday 20 July @ 4pm Aus /6pm NZ

Sept – Tuesday 7 September @ 4pm Aus /6pm NZ

Meeting Closed 12.52 pm

ANZELA PRESIDENTS REPORT 2021

Welcome to the 2021 ANZELA AGM. We had hoped that we could 'Recover' in time this year for a face to face AGM in Hobart at the planned Hobart conference. Sadly, Delta had other ideas and we are yet again meeting online.

The last 2 years have been challenging for all of us, particularly those in Victoria and New South Wales and more recently, New Zealand. Most Chapters have struggled to come together much at all, let alone in person. I don't think the Victorian Chapter have met in person since Christmas drinks 2019, despite many valiant attempts!

NZ also looked set to hold a mini conference but again Delta scuttled this attempt as well. NZ have however held regular events on-line throughout the last two years, and in person where they have been able to.

Queensland have probably fared the best, being able to hold some events and NSW have made the most of online capability to keep in touch. For all of us its just been a matter getting through this period, trying to stay sane and keep in touch when we can.

The National Board has also held meetings via zoom in an attempt to stay in touch and plan for the future of ANZELA.

For those States that have spent significant periods of time in lock down, communicating on line has well and truly lost its lustre and many are suffering from zoom burn out – especially those having to teach or work entirely online and also manage their own children's learning.

For this reason, we will continue to plan for a conference next year – most likely in Hobart. I encourage Chapters to start to plan events as the borders open up – even if at first its just getting together and reconnecting and the ultimately considering what our member's further learning needs and interests are in this changed world.

We did not have any applications for the Dr Ann Shorten award this year, I confirm that Dr John Orr was the recipient last year and will hopefully be able to present his paper at the next conference.

The National Board has continued to work behind the scenes shoring up the financial future of the organisation and putting in place structures and processes to ensure that our financial record keeping, and reporting is streamlined and most importantly correct. I extend my sincere thanks to Andrew Knott for his very hard work leading this as Treasurer. We have also been working on the ongoing upgrade to the web page and online payment processes and I thank Jo Spencer for undertaking this work with our web consultants. Jo has also once again acted as our Secretariat this year.

I also extend my thanks to Carol Howard for her ongoing work as Secretary and to John O'Brien who has worked to prepare and edit Journal articles and worked with Jo to prepare release of the Journal. I hope that you have enjoyed the opportunity to see Journal articles as they become available this year rather than waiting for the final Journal.

A huge thank you to all of the other members this year's Board – Jason Newman, Virginia Goldblatt, John Orr, Alan Knowsley and Kevin Moloney.

I would like to take this opportunity acknowledge the commitment and support given to ANZELA by Tony Houey from SA. Tony has retired for the second time this year and is stepping away from ANZELA to undertake some other ventures – including spending time with precious grandchildren.

Tony has not only been a driving force in SA he has also been a member of the National Board and along with his wonderful wife Jeanette has given a huge amount of time and effort to advancing ANZELA both in SA and across the country. Thank you Tony, you have always been a calming and wise counsel and we will miss both of you when we ultimately re group together again.

Thank you to all of you who have taken the time to join us today, I truly hope to be able to speak with each and every one of you face to face again very soon and to welcome you to Hobart next year for a Conference. Thank you for staying connected and committed to ANZELA. My sincere hope and intent is that we emerge from this 2 years with a renewed vigour and hunger to learn and share ideas and stories again, and that we can see ANZELA prosper and grow as we reshape our world.

Thank you for the opportunity to lead this organisation and I hope at some stage soon to be able to hand it over to the next generation of ANZELA leaders to evolve and grow into the future.

Stay safe, have a wonderful Christmas – enjoy time with loved ones and I hope to see you all soon

Katharine O'Donnell

National President

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IJLE Editor's Report

I offered to edit the 2021 volume of the IJLE in July this year after the previous editors, Joan and Tryon, were unfortunately unable to continue in that role. After some time familiarising myself with the lay of the land, I have managed to make some progress towards publishing Vol 24.

I have created an email address that should be used for the IJLE, and can be passed on to future editors: journal@anzela.edu.au. This also comes with cloud storage, which allows a **repository to be created for future use**. I have created an online peer review processes, so as to reduce timeframes and ensure anonymity. Reviewers are provided the manuscript in an online document; I can monitor when comments are made etc. I can also forward that completed document to the author without any of the reviewer's metadata existing there. The Reviewer fills out a confidential review form online.

I received 3 manuscripts that were already on hand. I had contacted these authors to see if they still wished to proceed with publication; 2 affirmed that they did, and 1 has not replied. Throughout the year, I received another 4 manuscripts; 1 was rejected while the other 3 proceeded to peer review.

As suggested by the previous editors, and determined by the board, the Journal was to move to a rolling online publication, whereby approved articles would be electronically available promptly to members. At the completion of the year, a compiled edition of all articles will also be made. Using this approach, 2 articles have already been sent out. I anticipate that another 3 will follow later this year or in January next year.

At this point, I would like to acknowledge the assistance of my QUT colleague, Dr Elizabeth Dickson, herself a long-time former Editor of this journal. I asked her to act as the Editor for the purposes of an article which I had submitted for consideration; she managed the peer review process for me, so that anonymity could be maintained throughout.

I would also like to thank those ANZELA members (and external persons) who have provided peer reviews. This work is essential to maintain the rigour of the IJLE.

I have contacted Austlii to have the 2019 and 2020 volumes uploaded there. I have also contacted the journal database AGIS (Attorney-General's Information Service) which is run through infoRMIT – the old ANZJLE has a presence there, but only in Education databases. There are some outstanding issues for consideration here (see end).

My intention in taking on the role was that it was to be a short-term solution. **Hence, I open the position up to expressions of interest to be made to the board.** If someone was interested, I am happy for you to take it on. Alternatively if someone wished to share the role, I would consider remaining on.

John O'Brien

Acting General Editor

International Journal of Law and Education

NSW Chapter Report 2021

The Chapter has had 8 meetings this calendar year, hosted 1 in- person seminar and have an essay competition in progress.

Approximately 30 people attended the seminar: ***Responding to Damaging social Media Behaviours*** on Tuesday 18 May, it was our first face to face education/law seminar since the shutdown in March 2020.

A panel of legal and educational experts—Julie Ross, Principal Kogarah High School; Margaret Baker, Legal Services Department of Education and Constable Matthew Aylward, Crime Prevention Officer—deftly and sensitively unpacked a multi-layered scenario as they responded to the unfolding issues.

Michael Waterhouse facilitated as the panel gave thoughtful and precise practical advice and in-depth responses to questions from the floor. All attendees left the seminar well informed on best practice for management of social media issues.

A second seminar was to be held in September on 'Consent', however, the Covid lockdown of the Sydney metropolitan area meant that it did not proceed. Instead, we are holding an essay competition open to NSW and ACT residents, educators, lawyers and students enrolled in a recognised education or law course. This competition closes 5pm 25 February 2022. Details can be found on the ANZELA NSW web page. Email Address: nsw@anzela.edu.au

The Chapter could not proceed without the commitment shown by our dedicated committee

President	Joanna Ernenwein
Vice Presidents	Jacque Seemann
	Tryon Francis
Secretary	Carol Howard
Treasurer	John Boesenberg
Representative on Editorial Board	Lucy York
Executive Members	Margaret Baker
	Jenny Moes
	Paul Robson
	Angela Catallo

Carol Howard
ANZELA NSW Chapter Secretary

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VICTORIAN CHAPTER

PRESIDENTS REPORT

18/08/2021

The Victorian Chapter has experienced a second year of many ups and downs. The Corona 19 Virus has caused much interruption to events which have had to be cancelled. Therefore, little face to face contact has been the outcome of the Lockdowns.

Some thought must now be given as to how we go forward to achieve the Objectives as set out in the ANZELA Constitution written when any idea of a pandemic was unknown.

- Promote and encourage research, study, discussion, writing and or dissemination of information about issues on laws relating to education
- Organize and stimulate participation in Conferences and meetings on the Laws relating to education
- Promote publication, publish or cause to be published articles, newsletters, journals and other literature for the purpose of these objectives
- Co-operate and exchange information with bodies (corporate or otherwise) and persons, on the Laws relating to Education
- Affiliate with like associations; and
- Develop policies on the laws relating to education.

Travel restrictions have caused Conferences to be cancelled. Objective 2 must be put on hold for the foreseeable future.

Objective 1 can be continued.

Objective 3 is possible with Newsletters being continued.

Objectives 4, 5 and 6 as set out are more difficult to attain.

During 2020 and 2021-many planned meetings have been made and then cancelled, due to Lockdowns.

Meetings such as the AGM can now be held by teleconference, Zoom, and other electronic means for regulation and other purposes. Planning for meetings via Zoom can be arranged to suit the time preferences of the Committee.

This year we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of ANZELA -which commenced from Monash University in July 1991. I am gathering records of the Vic Chapter and the other Chapters to put together a study for our organization. Any contributions welcome.

Our Treasurer has reported the chapter is in a sound financial position.

Finally,

I thank all members of the Vic Chapter for the work undertaken in 2021, especially Sec/Treasurer Leanne Newson who has regularly tried to get members together and informed. To Lisa Odham - committee member who is taking up another position-congratulations and thanks.

Members-

Margot Brenton, Jason Newman, Kevin Maloney, Katherine O Donnell, Steven Troeth.

Vernita Zigouras

President.

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Queensland Chairperson's Report

The Queensland Chapter had another year of relative hiatus. The Committee was as follows: John O'Brien (Chair, Acting Treasurer); John Kennedy (Deputy Chair); Rachel Pepper (Secretary); Kerrie Anglin, Andrew Knott, Lauren Quinn, and Mark Butlin. The committee has a good diversity in terms of school staff, lawyers and academics.

It was a quiet year in terms of education law events – no seminars were held.

However, we were able to return to running our PD conference for Legal Studies teachers after cancelling it in 2020. Topics included: Coronial investigations; Indigenous governance of native title; Indigenous justice events; Police prosecution processes; and Reflections of a criminal defence barrister. 68 delegates attended in person at Qld Parliament, while another 47 registered for the Zoom live-stream.

In relation to the 2020/21 consolidated financial accounts of ANZELA Ltd, the activities of the Queensland Chapter contributed a surplus of \$4,191.48.

We look forward to a more-normal approach to next year. Having run the Legal Studies conference with a large online cohort, we feel confident that we could utilise this option for further education law seminars.

And a final congratulations to our committee members, Kerrie and Mark, on the publication of their book, "Law And Ethics For Australian Teachers" (Cambridge University Press).

John O'Brien
Chair, ANZELA Queensland Chapter
4 Nov 2021

Chairperson's report November 2021

Kia ora koutou katoa

It is hard to believe that a year has already gone since our last AGM. There is no doubt with all the lockdowns and uncertainty that the year has been difficult for many of us. That said, there are a number of "thank you" that I want to make at the beginning of this report. First to Jane Battersby who has continued to provide excellent support both as secretary and treasurer. Her ability to "go with the flow" and adapt to ever changing conditions has been extremely helpful. I also thank Alan for his steady commitment to providing the matauranga which I have needed to draw on whilst finding my way as the Chair. Thanks also to Virginia for her support and guidance and her unfailing optimism that we could get the mini conference to happen. Last and certainly not least I want to thank the committee and all of the people who have participated and contributed during this last year to keep the ANZELA fire burning.

During this year I have attended a few meetings with the Ministry of Education on behalf of ANZELA related to the Dispute Resolution service for domestic students and been able to provide some input into the same.

In June, I also presented a paper as did Alan Knowsley and some other ANZELA members at the Conference Legal & Governance Essentials for School Leaders delivered by Conferenz. Looking back this was an amazing event held both in person and virtually and I am pleased to say that we gained interest in some attending our Mini Conference.

It was also great to receive and read articles written for the International Journal of Law & Education – ANZELA which is a massive achievement given the impact of Covid on both New Zealand and Australia. These articles are available for all members to read and provide interesting insights into various issues. I particularly recommend the article on Truancy across Australia and New Zealand written by John O'Brien.

I have been contributing to LinkedIn social media to help raise awareness of ANZELA. It would be great to have more contribution on social media.

I signalled at the beginning of my term as Chair that I want ANZELA to develop in a way that shows a commitment to New Zealand's bi-cultural heritage with the development of a Rōpu Māori, and I hope that we can make some traction on that during 2022. I would be particularly interested in hearing from anyone who wants to assist with this.

Mini Conference

We were particularly disappointed not to be able to host the mini conference. I want to thank all the committee members and Bill Anderson for the effort they put into the planning and decision making. I also want to thank Professor Tairahi Black both for being prepared to be the keynote speaker whether in person or virtually and also for his continued willingness to participate when we can get together for a mini conference - fingers crossed for next year. Thank you also to all of you who were prepared to present your papers. We have refunded all registrant's money and hope they will join us again next year.

Thanks to Jane's negotiating skills we have been able to maintain the credit at Rydges which we will use to run the mini conference as soon as we practically can. We are looking for a date in March 2022.

We have decided that a refresh may be needed to our proposed programme given the time that has passed since we put the original programme together. I am certain this is going to be a priority task for the incoming committee.

Membership

Membership has been fairly static this year which is not surprising given we have not been able to hold any events. We are very pleased to welcome Owen Hoskin who has just joined us following a recommendation from another member. Also, a warm welcome to Rachel Schmidt-McCleave for re-joining us.

ANZELA Update

Thanks again to the editor, Alan Knowsley, the *Update* this has continued without interruption. I wish to record the appreciation of the New Zealand Chapter to Alan and to those who have contributed through-out the year. The publication of this is dependent on content being prepared. Given the talent and expertise among ANZELA members, it should be relatively easy, however the load falls on a few. We welcome more contribution from members.

Zoom Cocktail parties

This year we have held three zoom cocktail parties. These have been opportunities for us to come together and discuss issues affecting education and law. There have been wide ranging discussions about various matters including the impact of Covid on education, employment issues within the education sector and legal issues generally.

These issues have included challenges with online delivery of education, management of assessments including the ability of students to “cheat”, implications from mandatory requirement for vaccination of teachers. This later discussion also included implication for home based teachers and the need for “in person” attendance at supervision and assessments. We also discussed how far the implication of the vaccination requirements will extend – to contractors and suppliers engaged in education for example.

There was a lot of discussion about the dispute resolution provisions in the Education and Training Act which included frustration about the lack of detail and progress being made in respect of the same.

And there were also lighter discussions about life in general. It was really lovely to see so many familiar faces and also to meet new people in these meetings. It looks like lockdown will continue in various ways for a while so we will have a **December Cocktail party on Wednesday the 2nd of December 2021** to end the year.