

ENCOMPASS AGM 2006 MINUTES**Tuesday 12th December 2006****Minutes of the AGM of Encompass Australia Inc****Locations:**

Sydney
410 Concord Road
RHODES NSW 2138

Melbourne
564 St Kilda Road
MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Attendees:

John Edwards
 Des Gordon
 Greg Tinkler
 John Gerimen

Bruce Baker
 Bambos Haralambous
 Bob Niepostyn
 Andrew McCoy
 Michael Klein
 John Prior
 Tony Kyne
 Stuart McEwan
 David McKenzie
 Peter Alkemade
 Simon Jackson

Apologies

Paul Branding
 Paul Lamb
 Richard Stutchbury

Peter Plutos
 Allan Harnwell
 Spence Williams

MEETING OPENED – 18:03

Welcome: Michael Klein welcomed the members. The meeting format was that of a teleconference between Melbourne & Sydney. The meeting opened with 15 (fifteen) members 4 (four) from Sydney and 11 (eleven) from Melbourne; this represented a quorum of the members.

MINUTES OF 2005 AGM

The minutes of the previous meeting were tabled.

Motion 1

To accept Minutes of the AGM for 2005

Proposed by Michael Klein Seconded by Peter Alkemade

Votes Counted:	For:	8	Abstained:	6	Against:	0
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CHAIRMANS REPORT

Michael Klein advised that most this year had been spent on getting the administration in order and that next year's focus would be aimed at where we want Encompass to go. The focus was

thought to be 'Mission Critical' environments which were considered to be above desktops, and operating system independent. 'Better' names could be either backend or Big Iron systems.

Dialogue with International Tandem, HP Openview groups has occurred this year which had been largely driven by Encompass US with representation from Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. Idealistic action items have been assigned to groups of individuals which will eventually be presented to Corporate HP and will then filter down to local management. Contact was to be made with the local Tandem User group to obtain synergies, but it was thought the group is more aligned to the US User Group. It was suggested that contact be made through Bob Harrington.

Michael Klein thanked Annette Kleinberg publicly for her work of Sydney LUG Chairman. HP has committed to provide speakers and meeting rooms. The main duties of the LUG Chairman are to organise topics and chair the meetings. John Welsh (was) volunteered to become the Sydney LUG chair. It was thought that an HP employee was necessary to be present to hold meetings at an HP site.

A Business Plan is being prepared with short term targets and longer term targets. HP has been shown a draft and it will be further refined from discussions held after the formal proceedings have been completed.

Hobbyist licences were almost organised although mention was made of Technology enthusiast kits (\$99). What is available will be advised in the New Year.

The world wide advocacy program which is administered by New Zealand has received funding for next year. This is a way for member input getting into HP.

TREASURERS REPORT

Stuart McEwan, Treasurer, tabled the Accounts for the year ending December 2004 which had been audited but not signed by the (then)Treasurer and the audited accounts for the year ended December 2005. The financials for 2003 presented at last year's AGM had been signed by Bob Harrington.

Income for 2004 was largely \$10,000 sponsorship from Compaq and \$1,627 in interest income. Expenses were mainly involved with Chapter administration (\$7,401), \$1,000 on LUG expenses and \$2,509 on the events surrounding Terry Shannon's visit. There was a small profit of \$528. Assets were recorded as \$55,004 and liabilities for tax were \$1,086.

The 2005 report contains the change in terminology where the statement of Financial Performance (formerly Profit & loss) showed that the income consisted of \$1,711 of interest and \$500 sponsorship from UBS in 2004. Chapter administration was \$1,711 and Bank and Merchant Fees \$304. The bank fees will be significantly reduced in 2006 because a change in Banker to Bendigo bank. The loss for the year was \$435. The Statement of Financial position (Formerly Balance sheet) showed that Encompass had assets totalling \$ 54,453 and liabilities of \$1,034 which is mainly a provision for taxation of \$908. All taxation to June 2006 has been paid.

John Gerimen indicated that the reports were typical of previous reports.

Audit fees this year are higher than last year and we are attempting to change our tax year from end of June to end of December to halve the amount of work that the accountant has to do. The alternative is to change our financial year to June.

Motion 2A

To accept the Financial Report for the Year 2004 subject to the completion of the Treasurer's signature.

Proposed by Stuart McEwan Seconded by David McKenzie

Votes Counted: | **For:** | **12** | **Abstained:** | **2** | **Against:** | **0**

Voting: Carried

Motion 2B

To accept the Financial Report for the Year 2005

Proposed by Stuart McEwan Seconded by David McKenzie

Votes Counted: | **For:** | **12** | **Abstained:** | **2** | **Against:** | **0**

Voting: Carried

Stuart McEwan indicated that he would now write to Dennis Woollam to thank him for his work for Decus/Encompass of about 20 years. It was suggested that the letter be accompanied by some Decus memorabilia.

Bambos Haralambous thanked the Treasurer for his work in support of Encompass. This was further supported by the Chairman.

LOCAL USER GROUP DIRECTORS REPORT

Bambos advised of that the Melbourne program had not been as full as in previous years for various reasons. Presentations had been made to members from Paul Marshall, Michael Warhen and Glenn Cole. Bambos advised that Craig Williams had left HP and with him his support for the LUG. The catering company is not providing catering at St Kilda Road and alternative may need to be investigated.

Michael Klein expressed Encompass's thanks for the work of Bambos for coordinating of the Melbourne LUG.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7:47pm.

Informal discussion following the meeting

The website was being updated and was about 50% complete. Self-Registration has been implemented and a few people have used it already. The website member database used for the mail out was used for the mail out. It was thought that the website should contain some historical details of Decus. The website should be a service to members, informative to HP & others by promoting Encompass. There was a suggestion that maybe it could be a bulletin Board for contracting jobs, or be a base for messaging.

The community standing of Professional bodies like the AMA was mentioned and it was wondered what we would need to do to have a similar standing.

It is planned to have a questionnaire circulated by email and members should think carefully about how they would like to see Encompass develop.

ACMS has been disposing of equipment to reduce floor space. About 200 sq feet of floor space has been made available and there is a need for a donation of palette racking. No formal meetings have been held in the last twelve months. A website (? www.hpmuseum.net) has been created and members in Melbourne should consider donating surplus equipment.

It was suggested that we discover what the current HP structure is so that links can be rebuilt.

The Chairman thanked members present for their support and hopefully the organization will grow.