
MEETING MINUTES

Pacific Rim Real Estate Society (PRRES) Annual General Meeting

Date: 25 January 2010
Time: 12:30 pm
Held at: Intercontinental Hotel
Wellington, New Zealand

The meeting was chaired by Geoff Page, the outgoing Executive Director.

Item 1 – Matters arising from the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting

There were no unresolved matters from the previous AGM to discuss.

Item 2 – Introduction by PRRES President

Following a brief welcome, Greg Costello thanked outgoing President Deborah Levy for her contributions to the society.

Item 3 – President's Report

Deborah Levy presented her final President's Report which focused on how the society can best achieve its goals set out in the PRRES 2008-2013 Strategic Plan.

Item 4 – Presentation regarding 2011 PRRES Conference

Prof George Earl, the Head of the Mirvac School of Sustainable Development at Bond University, provided a multimedia presentation on next year's Pacific Rim Real Estate Society Conference in the Gold Coast. The conference is being co-hosted Bond University, Queensland University of Technology and the University of the Sunshine Coast. The theme of the conference is "Climate Change and Property: its impact now and later".

The conference is scheduled to take place from January 16 through 19th. Unlike past PRRES conferences, the 2011 event is scheduled a week earlier than usual due to the timing of Australia Day.

Item 5 – Elections for vacant positions on the PRRES Board of Directors

A total of eight vacancies were open for nominations: three from Australia, one from New Zealand, two from the ASEAN & Pacific Region and two non-regional. For positions with more than one nomination, a vote was taken by ballot from PRRES members in attendance. The following board members were duly elected:

Australia:	Peter Rossini (University of South Australia)
	Georgia Warren-Myers (Deakin University)
Australia (1-yr casual):	Clive Warren (The University of Queensland)
New Zealand:	Sandy Bond (Lincoln University)
ASEAN & Pacific Region:	Ming-Long Lee (National Dong Hwa University)
	Kian Hwa Ting
Non-regional:	David Higgins (RMIT University)
	Song Shi (Massey University)

Since one of the non-regional board positions was for a 1-year term while the other 2 years, a coin toss determined that David Higgins would take the shorter term.

In addition, the chair congratulated Valerie Kupke for being elected PRRES President. She will begin her two-year term at the 2012 PRRES Conference. The chair also offered thanks to Chris Eves, the outgoing PRRES Secretary, and Yu Shi Ming for serving on the board of directors.

Item 6 – Financial Report for 2009 Financial Year

Hera Antoniades, the PRRES Treasurer, presented the financial report which was accepted with no change in fees for 2011.

Item 7 – Thanks given to outgoing Executive Director

Greg Costello thanked Geoff Page, the Executive Director of PRRES for the past five years, for his dedicated service to the society. The members in attendance joined in applauding Geoff for his outstanding efforts.

Item 8 – General Business

There were no matters of general business to discuss.

The meeting closed at 1:05 pm.