



Amnesty International Australia (AIA)
DRAFT Minutes of the 2024 Extraordinary General Meeting
Held via Vero Voting Platform & Zoom 8.00 pm AEDT on 14 November 2024

The proceedings of the meeting are not necessarily recorded in the order in which they occurred.

Attendance:

A list of those attending is in **Appendix 1**.

Extraordinary General Meeting

The formal parts of the meeting commenced at 8:00 pm AEDT.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed it was quorate.

The Extraordinary General Meeting was convened to consider the removal of Belinda Neal from her position as director and to consider the readmission of Drew Pavlou to membership.

(a) Explanation of voting system

The proposed Returning Officer, Greg Mitchell of Vero Voting, explained the voting system.

(b) Preliminary Matters

The Company Secretary announced the following meeting protocols including time limits for speaking and the following:

- The meeting was to be recorded for minuting and internal purposes;
- Only General Meeting Voters (GMVs) were allowed to vote;
- Attendees were reminded to abide by the AIA Values and Behaviours Charter at all times, attendees who did not would have their ability to engage with the meeting limited and/or be removed from the meeting. The Charter could be found on the Vero Portal along with other documents for the meeting such as the statements.

(c) Acknowledgment of Country

The Chair acknowledged country, paying respects to the custodians of the lands upon which meeting participants joined the meeting, and paying respects to elders past and present. He noted that it always was and always will be Aboriginal land.



2. GOVERNANCE PART I: Preliminary matters

EGM 24/01	The 2024 Extraordinary General Meeting ADOPTS the Agenda for the 2024 Extraordinary General Meeting.
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(a) Announcement of Proxies

The Company Secretary advised that the following proxies had been submitted for the 2024 EGM by the deadline:

Colleen Holloway to Sarah Holloway

Jillian LaBruzzo to Katrina North

Kombe Musonda to Euan Gleeson-Brown

Leonie Alexander to Euan Gleeson-Brown

Lisa Annese to Terence Jeyaretnam

Maddie Wood to Bronwyn Kippen

Marhaba Salay to Terence Jeyaretnam

Michael Dundon to Terence Jeyaretnam

Pablo Rozas Larraondo to Gabe Kavanagh

Pearl Tabart to Ruth Gould

Philip Armit to Bronwen Kippen

Roselle Tenefrancia to Peter Hanley

Sally Choi to Stephen Rowe

Sandra Nori to Belinda Neal

Sarah Faulkner to Vicki Jacobs

Silvia Greco to Carol King



Victoria Edwards to Gabe Kavanagh

Yu Gao to Sophia Tsai

Zainab Clark to Sarah Holloway

Maurice Freeman to Max Mok

Sylvia Freeman to Max Mok

(b) Apologies

The Company Secretary presented to the Meeting apologies on behalf of the following:

Lisa Annese

Michael Dundon

Diana Rickard

(c) EGM Credentials Committee

EGM 24/02	The 2024 EGM NOTES the Company Secretary, Katie Wood, and National Board Member, Anne Wright, as Credential Committee.
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(d) EGM Ombudsman

EGM 24/03	The 2024 EGM APPOINTS Emma Vincent as Ombudsman.
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(e) EGM Returning Officer

EGM 24/04	The 2024 EGM APPOINTS Greg Mitchell as Returning Officer.
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3. GOVERNANCE PART II - Motion to remove Belinda Neal from the National Board of Amnesty International Australia

The Chair outlined the order of proceedings to consider the resolution, as advised by the company secretary earlier in the meeting.

4. GOVERNANCE PART III – Vote on the motion to remove Belinda Neal from the National Board of Amnesty International Australia

The Returning Officer took the floor and explained the process for voting on the resolution: 50% of General Meeting Voters (GMVs) had to vote for ordinary resolutions for them to pass.

The Returning Officer took the floor and announced the result: 79.63% voted in favour of the motion.

EGM 24/05	The 2024 EGM REMOVES Belinda Neal from the National Board of Amnesty International Australia.
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5. GOVERNANCE PART IV - Motion to re-admit Drew Pavlou to membership of Amnesty International Australia

The Chair outlined the order to consider the resolution and outlined the process for voting, with strict time limits as for the previous item.

Drew Pavlou took the floor and made a statement as to why he should be readmitted to membership of Amnesty International Australia.

Attendees spoke for and against the motion.

GOVERNANCE PART IV - Motion to re-admit Drew Pavlou to membership of Amnesty International Australia

The Returning Officer took the floor and announced the result: 18.87% voted in favour of the resolution.

The resolution was not passed.

6. CLOSE



The Chair thanked General Meeting Voters and members for their attendance and consideration of the matter.

The meeting closed at 10pm AEDT.

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National Board Chair

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Appendix 1 - Attendees

General Meeting Voters 2024	
ACT/SNSW	Sally Choi
ACT/SNSW	Cetana Das
ACT/SNSW	Pablo Rozas Larraondo
ACT/SNSW	Liliya Pelikh
ACT/SNSW	Stephen Rowe
ACT/SNSW	Tsewang Thupten
ACT/SNSW	Alicia Zahmel
NSW	Lisa Annese
NSW	Nicholas Buenk
NSW	John Della Bosca
NSW	Victoria Edwards
NSW	Yu Gao
NSW	Ajoy Ghosh
NSW	Silvia Greco
NSW	Giles Gunesequera
NSW	Gabrielle Kavanagh
NSW	Carol King
NSW	Belinda Neal
NSW	Sandra Nori
NSW	Sophia Tsai
NSW	Daniel Wolody
QLD/NNSW	Fahima Ahmadi
QLD/NNSW	Philip Armit
QLD/NNSW	Hudson Denning
QLD/NNSW	Ruth Gould
QLD/NNSW	Peter Hanley



QLD/NNSW	Bronwen Kippen
QLD/NNSW	Pearl Tabart
QLD/NNSW	Roselle Tenefrancia
QLD/NNSW	Madelaine Wood
SA/NT	Kia Devine
SA/NT	Timothy Green
SA/NT	Sarah Faulkner
SA/NT	Deanna Hall
SA/NT	Vicki Jacobs
SA/NT	Marhaba Salay
SA/NT	Saras Suresh Kumar
TAS	Sarah Holloway
TAS	Bethan Frake
TAS	Zainab Clark
TAS	Yi Yan Yvette Chan
TAS	Colleen Holloway
TAS	Oleksandr Tkachuk
VIC	Gavin Choong
VIC	Michael Dundon
VIC	Maurice Freeman
VIC	Sylvia Freeman
VIC	Suzan Gencay
VIC	Jamie Hodgson
VIC	Terence Jeyaretnam
VIC	Jillian LaBruzzo
VIC	Cheuk Long Lee
VIC	Max Mok
VIC	Katrina North
VIC	Mario Santos
VIC	Clive Weston



VIC	Anne Wright
WA	Parhat Ahmed
WA	Leonie Alexander
WA	Tshung Chang
WA	Chelsea Francis
WA	Euan Gleeson-Brown
WA	Richard Lue
WA	Kombe Musonda

Members and Guests

Andrew Archer
 Fiona Bachmann
 Gabrielle Brown
 Matt Burrows
 Alyssa Coleman
 Kate Cooper
 Faith de Savigne
 Cloe de Winter
 Heather Drew
 Jeremy Ellis
 Ruth Ellis
 Elizabeth Fuller
 Paige Garland
 Suzan Gencay
 Lana Hanley
 Margaret Hanrahan
 Margaret Hardy
 Geoffrey Hilliard
 Oksana Hrubskyj
 Simon Jeans
 Thurkka Jeyakumar
 Stephen Lesslie
 Wayne Lomas
 Jane O'Leary
 Paul O'Neill
 Helen Manos
 Brian Mason
 Ian Massingham



Pat McKelvey
Paul McMahon
Bjarne Nordin
David Overend
Drew Pavlou
Raffaele Piccolo
Sharonne Phillips
Daniel Scoullar
Katherine Solomko
Michael Solomko
John Stewart
Kevin Sweeney
Kate Waterford
Alex Wood
Alan Wu

Board members	
Position	Name
Chair	Mario Santos
Board member	Lisa Annese
Board member	Michael Dundon
Board Member	Terence Jeyaretnam
Board member	Ajoy Ghosh
Board member	Belinda Neal
Board member	Anne Wright

Staff	
Position	Name
National Director	Sam Klintworth
Communications and Digital Innovation Director	Saheem Wani
Ombudsman	Emma Vincent
Company Secretary	Katie Wood
Governance Coordinator	Frederique Blanc
Executive Assistant to National Director	Faye McEvoy