

GITANANDA YOGA ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA INC.

Minutes for Annual General Meeting via Zoom

9th March 2025 5:30pm (AEDT) Daylight Saving Time

1. Opening and Welcome:

Hwamin, Secretary opened the Zoom meeting at 5.30 AEDT and welcomed all attendees and commenced the meeting with the prayer to the Guru.

Present on Zoom:

Niraimathi (Nicole Rubio) - Acting Chair, Administrator and member relations and learning facilitator, VIC

Rebecca Foster - Treasurer & Public Officer, SA

Hwamin Fettes - Secretary & State contact for SA

Margaret Willcocks - Newsletter editor, Non-voting member, WA

Margo Hutchison - Voting Member, QLD

Judith Moloney - Voting Member, VIC

Robyn Lewis - Non-voting member, WA

2. Apologies:

None received.

3. Acceptance of Proxy votes

None received.

4. Minutes from the AGM of 24th March 2024:

Motion made to accept the previous minutes as true and correct.

Moved: Niraimathi Seconded: Rebecca All were in favor

5. Annual Report: Attached.

Moved: Niraimathi Seconded: Robyn All were in favor

6. Treasurer's Report: see attached Statement of receipts and payments year ending 31/1/2025

Closing Balance: \$7,388.36

Moved: Hwamin Seconded: Rebecca All were in favor

7. Election of Management Committee:

- a. Muralidharan Giri Trevor Fox, Chairperson nominated Niraimathi Nicole Rubio, voting member, as Administrator, Member relations and learning facilitator and Management committee.
- b. Niraimathi Nicole Rubio accepted the nomination.
- c. Muralidharan Giri Trevor Fox, Chairperson, deceased on 30th January 2025.
- d. As per Rule 6.2.f. the Committee appointed Niraimathi Nicole Rubio as the acting chairperson to fill the vacancy.
- e. As per Rule 6.2.d Rebecca Foster nominated Niraimathi Nicole Rubio for the position of the Chairperson.
- f. Niraimathi Nicole Rubio accepted the nomination.

Moved: Margo Seconded: Robyn All were in favor

Treasurer, Secretary and Newsletter Editor were required to stand down and be re-elected as per Rule 6.2.d.

g. Treasurer

Hwamin moved that Rebecca be re-elected as Treasurer.

Moved: Hwamin Seconded: Niraimathi All were in favor

h. Secretary

Rebecca moved that Hwamin be re-elected as Secretary.

Moved: Rebecca Seconded: Judith All were in favor

i. Newsletter Editor

Hwamin moved that Margaret be re-elected as Newsletter Editor.

Moved: Hwamin Seconded: Rebecca All were in favor

8. Any Other Business:

- 8.1 Signatories
- 1. Removing Margaret Hutchison as a signatory of the Association's bank account
- 2. Removing Trevor Fox as a signatory of the Association's bank account
- 3. Adding Nicole Rubio as a signatory of the Association's bank account
- 4. Adding Hwamin Fettes as a signatory of the Association's bank account

Moved: Rebecca Seconded: Judith All were in favor

- 8.2 Membership Fee
- 1. In October 2024 the 2 and 3 year membership fee was introduced as follows.

1 year \$40 Associate / \$60 Full

2 years \$70 Associate / \$110 Full

3 years \$90 Associate / \$150 Full

- 2. As per Rule 5.2.c. Membership year begins 1st July and ends 30th June each year.
- 3. New members who are joining in the middle of membership year will pay July, August, September \$40 Associate / \$60 Full October, November, December \$30 Associate/ \$45 Full January, February, March \$20 Associate/ \$30 Full April, May, June \$10 Associate/ \$15 Full

4. Renewal notice to be sent out in June of each year.

Moved: Judith Seconded: Niraimathi All were in favor

- 8.3. Website update https://www.gitananda-australia.org/index.html
- 1. Update Murali's and Niraimathi's details on pages;
 - a. Home
 - b. Accredited Members
 - c. Contact Us
- 2. Upload 2025 AGM Minutes
- 3. Upload December 2024 and February/March 2025 Newsletter
- 4. Upcoming Events on the sidebar; update Retreat and India, delete Amma's , add Forum details
- 5. Upload current Membership Application form and list Membership fee structure
- 6. Niraimathi will contact Dr. Ananda and Website host, Dayanidi to apply this change.

 Moved: Hwamin Seconded: Judith All were in favor
- 8.4. Proposal to make changes to GYAA Constitution to allow more people eligible to vote.
- 1. Will make changes to the definition of membership types.
- 2. Will investigate what process is required.
- 3. Will set a meeting date for changes to be adopted.
- 4. All were in agreement.

Moved: Hwamin Seconded: Niraimathi All were in favor

Meeting closed at: 6.00 pm AEDT.

I hereby certify that these Minutes are a correct and accurate record of discussion and decisions made at the meeting of the Association on 9th March 2025.

Date: 9th March 2025

Signature:

Nicole Rubio (Niraimathi)

Chairperson

Gitananda Yoga Association of Australia Incorporated