



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

Minutes of the Council Meeting 2020

MEETING LOCATION: via TELECONFERENCE on Wednesday 16th Sept. 2020 at 4pm

ATTENDEES:

Mark Wagner, Anthony Beyer, Daniel Bird, Chris Krawec Tom McCutcheon, Orla Erasmus and David Lavender

1) WELCOME:

Mark Wagner formally declared the meeting open at 4:15PM and Thanked all for their attendance.

2) APOLOGIES:

Vasili Tsoutouras, Chris Durward, Sarah Cutting

3) MINUTES:

Acceptance of Previous Minutes from the last SA Council AGM Meeting from Monday 1st June confirmed as a true and accurate record by Mark Wagner and seconded by Daniel Bird.

4) NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT:

Vasili was on a FAOPMA Meeting Hook up so was unfortunately unavailable to update.

The Code of Practice for Pest Management in the Food Industry last updated in 2014 is currently under review and will go ahead.

A reminder that the 2020 AEPMA Pest Manager of the Year has been announced and congratulations to the winners:

Micro Business of the Year with fewer than three employees

Winner: Termitrust Pest Control, Dubbo

Second: Pest-Nett Pest Control, Brisbane

Third: AllPro Pest Control, Brisbane

South Pacific Pest Manager of the Year

Winner: Rentokil Fiji

Second: Fastkil, Fiji
Third: Hygnix

Business award Class 1 – with fewer than ten employees

Winner: Bug R Off! Pest Busters
Second: Scorpion Pest Management, Hobart
Third: Envirapest, Perth

Business award Class 2 – with ten or more employees

Winner: Rentokil Australia
Second: Trusted Pest Management
Third: Competitive Pest Services

2020 Pest Manager of the Year: Rentokil Australia

5) GENERAL BUSINESS:

Chris Durward has unfortunately resigned from his position as Vice Chairman but has been replaced by unanimous vote with Anthony Beyer so both Thank You and Congratulations on the appointment.

Mark suggested the possibility of hosting a SA Mini Conference for SA Members next May or June 2021. All Council Members were asked to consider and then suggest at our next meeting possible keynote speakers representing Entomology, Insurance etc. and a format.

6) TRAINING:

Unit 42 Installation of Physical Termite Barriers requires updating.

Daniel advised that FMC are nearing the completion of an updated Homeguard Installation Manual.

A new RTO for SA is currently being actioned and due for approval later this Year.

Training packages will have a greater level of Courses delivered via Zoom and Teams with many Manufacturers already upgrading their product information and application Training courses as travelling is still restricted.

Assessments will be harder and the Courses more expensive in future.

The Next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday 18th November at 4pm** and will be held again via TELECONFERENCE

This Meeting was closed at 4.50PM

Yours Faithfully David Lavender