



Sombrero Galaxy M104  
Agenda item

Minutes of the third Annual General Meeting  
at Aussiecon 4, Melbourne Conventions Centre,  
1 Convention Centre Place, South Wharf VIC 3006  
on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2009



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1. Meeting opened at 3:05 PM. The President extended a warm welcome to attendees.

The following attendance list is incomplete because attendance sheet was mislaid <corrections welcome>.

**Present - Members:** Mervyn Binns, Paul Bray, Thomas Bull, Rob Gerrand, Bruce Gillespie, Michael F Green, Mark Loney, Carey Handfield, Perry Middlemiss, David Russell, Bill Wright.

**- Guests:** Members of Aussiecon 4, as well as governors of the Meteor Incorporated Public Fund Irwin Hirsh and Craig Hilton.

**Apology:** Cath Ortlieb

2. **Minutes** of the second AGM on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2009 were taken as read.

3. **President's Annual Report to Members** was delivered and received.

4. **Treasurer's Financial Report** was not ready (due to his Aussiecon 4 commitments) and is circulated with these minutes. The balance in the Meteor Incorporated Public Fund as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 is \$4,610.

5. **Secretary's Report** was delivered and received, following which there was a wide-ranging discussion, with audience participation, of the need for an organisation such as Meteor Inc to save at risk collections of SF books, pulps, fanzines and other memorabilia and to gather resources to purchase premises to set up a reference and research library to manage those collections. It was explained that publicity via the Internet and at SF clubs, discussion groups and conventions directs people to the Association's website [www.meteor.org.au](http://www.meteor.org.au) for information who we are, what we're about, the tax deductible status of our public fund, how to donate money and general guidelines on how to make a bequest to the Meteor Fund.

6. **President's Annual Report** and **Secretary's Report** were approved.

7. **Election of Office Bearers**

There having been no other nominations the committee elected at the previous AGM on 16-Sep-09, viz.

Paul Bray (President)	Bill Wright (Secretary)
Mark Loney (Vice President)	Rob Gerrand (Committee Member)
Carey Handfield (Treasurer)	Bruce Gillespie (Committee Member)

were declared elected to serve until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting.

Bruce Gillespie is also Publicity Director by appointment.

8. **General Business:**

Membership applications and cash donations were received at the meeting.

Sydney Futurians member Garry Dalrymple reported that he was shocked to encounter a table of 1950s and 1960s SF magazines in the Aussiecon 4 dealers room that were part of the contents of one of the late Kevin Dillon's garages. The new owner wanted the contents of the garage 'taken away', so it is now in the hands of Kogarah Rotary, possibly some thousands of rare books, magazines and comics etc. These people deal with a truck load of similar bequest books each month and their philosophy is to list and patiently sell what can be readily sold. Garry says that Rotary are willing to make available to appropriate research libraries etc. any material that is 'significant' or hard to find a buyer for. So, he says, things are pretty much ideal to save the important stuff.

The meeting closed at 3:55 PM.