

# GOVIS AGM

## 15 August 2000

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Treasury, 1 The Terrace, 1:15pm - 2.25pm

**Present:** Mike Pearson, Rob McNie, Mark Carroll, Greg Goulding, John Roberts, Michelle Edgerley, Blake Dearsley, David Fitzgerald-Irons, Bruce Barton, Frank March, Janice ?, ?

### Chairpersons Address

Mike Pearson gave a brief outline of the work that GOVIS had achieved during the last year. Highlights included:

#### **Conference:**

GOVIS4 was an extremely successful conference with 230 delegates, 25 Trade display sites and a programme which was extended with a pre-conference vendor briefing. 34 international and government speakers over 3 days provided the delegates with topical material relative to the Government sector within the field of e-government and Knowledge management.

#### **Support Forums:**

A number of special interest support forums have been established for sharing of common problems and approaches to various issues.

Current Support Forums:

- Information Management 68 participants
- Information Technology 26 participants
- EGovernment 54 participants
- Security 43 participants
- Websites 78 participants
- GOVIS 114 participants

The Y2K support form was wound up, after successfully improving the capability of Government Y2k readiness.

#### **EGovernment:**

Mike also raised the issue of the future role of GOVIS with regard to the support of EGovernment initiatives. GOVIS exists as a place where individuals can have free and frank discussion with peers, on any issue. It is important that it retains its impartiality, in providing a forum for the debate of various eGovernment initiatives (and any other IM / IT / KM initiatives).

### Treasurers Report

Rob McNie tabled the auditor's report for the financial year ended June 2000.

Highlights are:

A profit of \$19,617.01 made on the last conference, due to the unexpected number of participants (200 % increase on last conference). \$15,796.25 in term investment, and a current account balance as at end of June of \$35,114.67. 59 member agencies, (4 more than last year). Those members present passed the report.

A motion was passed for the Treasurer to retain a working balance of \$18,000 and invest any excess on short term deposit (4 months). Treasurer to consider timing investments, so spread over the year. ( Mike Pearson / David Fitzgerald-Irons / Passed )

## Election of Officers

The following people were elected

**Convenor:** Mike Pearson, Min Fisheries  
( Mark Carroll / Bruce Barton / Passed )

**Treasurer:** Rob McNie, Min Transport  
( Bruce Barton / Greg Goulding / Passed )

**Secretary:** Mark Carroll, Statistics  
( Rob McNie / Mike Pearson / Passed )

**Vice-President:** David Fitzgerald-Irons, Statistics  
( Mark Carroll / Rob McNie / Passed )

### **Committee:**

John Roberts, National Archives

Greg Goulding, National Archives

Blake Dearsley, Management Development Centre

Edwin Bruce, Min Fisheries

## General Business

**2001 Conference:** David Fitzgerald-Irons summarised that a conference is planned for 2,3,4 May 2001. Conference committee so far is Blake Dearsley, Ros Coote, Edwin Bruce, Uma Mukherjee, Rob McNie, Mike Pearson. The theme will be EGovt, duration 3 days. The dinner will be on the final night (Friday).

**Membership fees:** Were retained at \$200 per year per agency. Invoices to be sent out earlier (in December).

**Charter/Constitution:** Even though GOVIS is not a legal entity, it is important that it has a charter/constitution it can be held accountable to. Mark Carroll, Rob McNie presented the first draft of such a document. Members felt it was a good start and had many suggestions. Mark & Rob are to prepare a second draft for circulation.

**Proportional representation:** Mark Carroll highlighted the white anglo-saxon male predominance of the GOVIS committee. Michelle Edgerley commented the difficulties in participating with commitments as a parent with young children - GOVIS having lunchtime meetings is better than after work. Mark to prepare an email for the list servers encouraging participation by other groups.

As there was no further general business the meeting was closed.