



**Minutes of AAA Board Videoconference
24 February 2021`**

19:00

Via zoom

1. CONVENING OF MEETING

- 1.1. **WELCOME** President Brett Fallon opened the meeting at 19:33
- 1.2. **PRESENT:** Brett Fallon, Sarah Wheeler; Carolyn Austin; Julie Wilkinson; Mick Williams; Lee Sadler; Prue Walduck. Amanda Olthof
- 1.3. **APOLOGIES:** nil

Brett outlined the situation following last week's board meeting regarding changes to the Judge's Agreement form in consideration of the Covid risk profile and the unavailability of any insurance products that would cover the AAA. There was negative feedback on the form from some judges and one form a few judges re the form. At least one show (Warren WA) has been cancelled due to the judge unavailability.

A meeting was held on 23 February with senior judges, to develop a way forward, and while the meeting was not successful in coming to agreement on the form, the discussion was open and positive, and the judges expressed their views and took on board the AAA's financial position.

15 shows proposed between now and end of June. WA, Tas and QLD do not have state-based AAA judges, NSW has 2, but limited availability. 10 of 15 shows may require an interstate judge The Judge's agreement was updated and indemnified AAA and that reasonable additional travels costs would be included. Covid test if requested, was removed as it could not be legally requested.

The Board discussed the risks to the AAA and the risks to other volunteers including convenors. A motion was put forward for consideration: *The Board sets aside a total amount of \$10k, in the current budget, to underwrite forced accommodation quarantine expenditure incurred by AAA accredited Judges whilst judging interstate in all States excluding Victoria.* The motion was not carried

The Board will raise this issue with the council meeting to canvas their opinions and assist develop a way forward.

Meeting closed 21:52