



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

Community Room, Edinburgh Gardens, North Fitzroy  
Sunday 28 October 12.10pm

### Present:

**In person:** Mary Claude Vienet, Eileen McDonald, Anna Schlusser, Yumi Schaeffer, Rosemarie Smith, Virginia Woods, Verity Larraman, Sharon Paetzold, Barbara Eberhart, Monica Espinoza-Anguerre, Natalie Poole, Bouthaina Mayall, Deborah Scarfe, Francoise Bale, Juliette Kirkwood, Jane Guthrie, Elizabeth McKenzie, Lesley Hawkins, Robyn Price, Terri McNeil, Sandra Kay Lauffenburger, Sally Denning, Laura Hooley, Cath Rummery, Elizabeth Loughlin, Ben Assan, Jane Refshauge, Jennifer Helmich.

**Via Zoom:** Cecilia Lau (NSW), Sandra Perrin (NSW), Tessa Hens (Vic), Sharon Todd-Miller (NSW), Kim Dunphy (Portugal), Connor Kelly (Guam), Maeve Larkin (UK), Jan McConnell (NZ), Sue Mullane (Vic), Beatrice Lucas (Switzerland), Amanda Bryant (QLD), Tracey Nicholson (QLD), Alice Owen (QLD), Ann Way (NZ), Cinzia Schincariol (SA), Anne Hurst (NZ), Verity Danbold.

### Apologies:

Tony Norquay, Angela Leung, Mary Rose Nicol, Ana Blythman, Jane Refshauge, Stephanie Honey, Suzanne Scarrold, Mandy Agnew, Esther Edwards, Alex Jordan, Andrea Berchtold, Theresa Jackson, Corinne Urquhart, Terrie-Ann Bolger, Katharina Lein, Ella Dumaresq, Sarah Macgregor.

1. **Welcome** by DTAA President Kim Dunphy (by Zoom)

### 2. Acknowledgement of Country and Dance Heritage

Acknowledgement of country by Elizabeth Mackenzie. Acknowledgment of ourselves, our ancestors, where our dance come from, remember past present, those who inspire us by Ben Assan.

### 3. Minutes of AGM 2016-17

The floor was open to comments and changes to the Mminutes of last year's AGM. The following clarifications and comments were made:

a. Elizabeth Loughlin - p. 4 Under "Other issues raised by members" wanted to clarify the waiting for two years before members are eligible for Professional Membership. Sandra Lauffenburger clarified the intention and Elizabeth agreed. No change was requested.

b. Cath Rummery - p. 4, last paragraph “more engagement particularly incompetency development”. A space was requested between in and competency. Change accepted.

c. Elizabeth McKenzie: Wanted it noted on p.2 that “the General Committee is constantly working to ensure financial viability”.

#### **Motion to accept the Minutes of AGM 2016-17.**

**Moved:** Sandra Lauffenburger      **Seconded:** Elizabeth Mackenzie

Passed unanimously.

**Action** put forth by Eileen McDonald: That draft minutes of the AGM be distributed to all members within a month of the meeting and include an action table.

Motion accepted, but not moved or seconded.

## 4. Presentation of Annual Report including Committee and Sub-Committee reports

### 4.1 President’s Report:

President Kim Dunphy presented her report, focussing on progress towards the two key objectives of the Strategic Plan 2015-2019:

- a. To improve the quality of DMT work
- b. To expand the reach of DMT services across Australasia

Her report included selected Strategic plan items and the progress that has occurred this year as documented in the Annual Report. These include:

- Reducing reliance on volunteers: DTAA transitioned to new admin contractor Laura Houley: this reduces reliance on volunteers for administration processes;
- Implement streamlined membership systems: a key achievement by Laura Houley was the activation of new on-line membership system (Wild Apricot),
- Strengthen the case for DMT through development of governance practices; through advancing the development of a Constitution and rewriting DTAA’s definition of DMT
- Improved processes for attracting and accrediting Professional Members: DTAA has almost doubled the number of Professional members and established a register for Professional Members to show clearly to the public who is and isn’t a Professional practitioner,
- Present regular skill development activities for practitioners through the ongoing work of the Professional Development Committee
- Establishment of a trial auditing process for CPD. This year 30% of Professional members were audited. This confirms to the public that we have strong governance practices and a good standard.
- To prioritize inclusive activities to include non-Victorian-based members. The use of Zoom technology for meetings and PD has enabled better inclusion of members across Australis and the region as well as connections internationally.
- To increase capacity of DMT as supervisors through creating auditing criteria for reporting supervision of Professional members and a set of competencies for supervisors: a new committee has been established to develop these items.
- Regular publication of Moving On and DTC Collections.

To expand the reach of DMT work through:

- Getting decently paid employment, advanced through: panel discussion at last AGM and today
- NDIS recognition of DMT: the NDIA responded positively to our request, however DTAA was given a number of research and governance tasks that must be completed before DMT can be considered
- PACFA strengthen connections with PACFA, ANZACATA, ACATA, NDIS
- World Alliance DMT is an initiative to have a world alliance: six senior DM therapist are working together on this project. There is a strong support to connect internationally.

## 4.2 Financial report

President Kim Dunphy presented the financial report, as Treasurer Jennifer Au advised by email the previous night that she has chosen not to continue her role. Kim noted that we have a substantial deficit (\$11,000), which is very significant given we have small equity and income. Kim acknowledged the seriousness of this deficit and advised that she and General Committee are concerned that it does not happen again. Kim suggested that the loss in the past financial year is related to:

- The expense of completing the upload of entire journal and Collections books to the internet for purchase on-line. In the future, only the current year's publications will need to be uploaded.
- Administrator's role: several periods in 2018 DTAA had no administrator, however the demand on the administrator significantly increased particularly in relation to implementing the new online membership, managing the register, certificates of currency and taking over Jane's previous volunteer administration responsibility
- The income was lower than necessary due to delayed or non-payments of membership fees, and the PACFA contribution was paid prior to members' payments.
- Publication sales lower than expected

In this financial year, to improve DTAA's financial situation:

- Membership fees have been increased/ However because a large percentage of fees for Australian Professional Members goes to PACFA, we may not be very much advanced.
- New membership system supports more timely invoicing
- Members can contribute to better outcomes by paying membership fees, and on time.

A significant additional expense will be insurance cover for: DTAA events; professional indemnity; and Directors' indemnity, all of which are required for a responsible professional organisation. This is a non-negotiable expense if the DTAA is to continue operating independently into the future.

Kim's concern is not to have this situation of deficit continuing into the future, but at the same time noting that our income is modest and expenses high. Other strategies may be required.

## 4.2.1 Comments from the floor

### Regarding Collections (DTC 4)

**Jane Guthrie** – DTC4 was budgeted for a loss. Two hundred and fifty DTC4s were printed. It is unclear how many have actually been sold. This number may be greater than reported in the financial report because DTAA tends to sell the DTCs as a set.

**Sally Denning**: expressed concern that DTAA would not continue with the DTC collection. She recommends continuing this. An e-version might reduce expense.

**Francoise Bale**: introduced the request to sell the publications to libraries. **Jane Guthrie** advised books that must be given for free to libraries.

**Eileen McDonald**: asking whether we advertise material through Ausdance. Consider the relationship and capacity for members to advertise for free or cheaply. Sally Denning reported that she is on Board of Ausdance Victoria, thus enabling a strong relationship with DTAA.

### Finance

**Cath Rummery**: would like to see a budget put forward at the AGM so that all attendees can see the issues more clearly.

**Eileen McDonald**: suggested that budget and finances are audited by a financial service.

**Sandra Lauffenburger**: indicates a lot of members paid their membership only this financial year, which has had an impact on last financial outcome.

**Rosemary Smith**: inquired whether we can pay PACFA after we have received the funds from members. **Kim** advised that this is not possible, but if members take responsibility to pay on time, that should solve the issue.

**Cath Rummery** pointed out that several large expenditures occurred which had to be made.

## 4.3 Professional Membership Committee (PMC)

Sandra Lauffenburger, Convener, summarized this year for her committee as work, work, work. Over the last two years, 60+ applications have been reviewed. Detailed recommendations regarding acceptance, supervision and a summary re how the Committee sees the applicant as a potential Professional Member are made. The application process is still lengthy and difficult, but because the PMC has engaged actively and stepped up to support and mentor applicants, more applicants were received and processed.

The PMC set up an on-line Register for Professional Members. The privileges, rights and obligations were defined and implemented, with this information accessible to the public, government and institutions.

Because CPD is an obligation for Professional Members, 30% of members have been audited in an initial trial. This year no major challenges were identified in this process, although several members had to review their documentation several times to get to the

required standard. Recommendations and feed-back will be provided by the PMC. CPD will be a regular and ongoing process.

#### 4.4 Professional Development Committee (PDC)

Jane Guthrie and Robyn Price, Co-Conveners

Jane Guthrie spoke to the PD offerings for last financial year. Each event was successful, with a good number of participants, and attracting different group of people from different professions.

At each event, an evaluation form is provided. Consistently participants ask to have more of what DTAA is offering. Jane invites us to give feedback on what else should be offered or who else should be invited. Robyn advised that over the next 12 months, online webinars will occur to ensure that more people will have access to PD.

#### 4.5 Publications Committee

Convenor Jane Guthrie noted that this year the focus was on the publication of another *Moving On* journal as well as the upload of all journals, collections and books online.

A special thank you to Naomi Aitchison, Heather Hill, Anna Schlusser and Faith Bolton was offered. Jane requested volunteers to join or assist the Committee as writers, authors, editors. The intent is to publish once or twice a year. The development of special issues may continue.

#### 4.6 Research committee

Sue Mullane provides positive feed-back on the monthly online (via zoom) meeting, thanking everyone who has zoomed and contributed from Australia, NZ and Guam. There will be more to come and new attendees are welcome to join anytime.

#### 4.7 Regional Liaison

Connor has spent the year contacting all the regional members and liaisons. The future project is to establish structures and guidelines through the by-laws for proposed branches in major areas of Australia (such as NSW, QLD, and VIC) and New Zealand after the new Constitution is adopted.

#### 4.8 Hanny Exiner Memorial Foundation

Bouthaina Mayall discussed the changes to the HEMF funding processes based on the recommendations offered by Heather Hill and Sandra Lauffenburger. A new committee has been established, with Dr. Mandy Agnew, Jennifer Helmich, Dr. Steve Harvey and Dr. Jan Deans coming on board. New categories for application were established which allows more DM therapists to apply in areas other than pure research, but nonetheless in areas that would advance the field of DMT.

#### 4.9 NDIS committee

Regular meetings took place of this Committee to advance the possibility of DTAA becoming an NDIS-registered profession. The Committee is now waiting for the GC to generate the documents requested by NDIS. Part of the challenge with the NDIS is that things change regularly. The current progress on DTAA's governance will support the requirements from NDIS.

## 5. Leadership for this coming financial year

DTAA is not having elections this year. New governance procedures are expected to be in place as of next year which will govern the election process. The current GC members, with

the exception of Jennifer Au, have indicated their intentions to stay on in their roles. However, there are opportunities for new contributors to step up in leadership roles.

## Annual Report review

There were no pressing questions from the floor.

Motion: That the Annual Report be accepted.

**Moved: Debbie Scarfe**

**Seconded: Juliette Kirkwood**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

## 6. Special resolutions

### 6.1 New Constitution for discussion and approval

Sandra Lauffenburger, Convener of the Constitution Committee, acknowledged and thanked committee members Robyn Price, Connor Kelly, and Kim Dunphy for their hard work in thoughtfully creating this document. She then acknowledged respectfully the historical path that DTAA has taken to reach this need for governance change.

- through the efforts of many in the late 80s and early 90s a training program came into being
- more or less concurrently, at an association level the DTAA existed as the Dance Therapy Working Party, a sub-committee of Ausdance.
- as training programs continued and graduated students, DTAA formally incorporated as DTAA (Australia) in 1994. By 1996, DTAA had six Professional Members. With such few Professional Members, DTAA's focus was primarily on increasing professional competency and community engagement to promote DMT. The governance by DTAA needed was minimal;
- Professional Membership increased slowly, such that in 2010 there were 19 professional members;
- in 2014-16, a significant period began: DTAA changed its name and scope to Dance Movement Therapy Association of Australasia, expanding its reach, to NZ, Asia, and Philippines. Additionally, a strategic plan, developed by President Kim Dunphy with the General Committee, outlined key objectives needed to grow the profession into one that could offer credentialed recognition and create work for members;
- In 2015, current PMC Convenor Sandra Lauffenburger was asked to take over the convenorship of the PMC and set to work on the Strategic plan's PMC-related objectives. By 2016 end, DTAA had 36 Professional Members, and as of later today there will be more than 70 Professional Members with five applications pending.

Sandra commented that the point of the above history is to note that governance-wise, DTAA now has a much larger Professional Membership to serve, and an international scope. Also, in 2018, the health and helping professions are being required to prove greater professionalism to qualify for recognition and acceptance by key industries and institutions. Thus, transparency around credentialing, regulation, finances, training, as well as governance is now required. The Constitution grew out of this need.

### Engagement with the constitution

Sandra then reported on the amount and type of engagement that had occurred regarding the development of the constitution. The general membership has had two opportunities to

review the constitution and the General Committee has had several additional ones. At least 50% of the Professional Membership read and commented on the constitution, with others who may not have felt a need to comment. This is excellent for a democratic process.

Sandra reported that the document has been discussed with and read by pro bono lawyer Jacob Wood from Justice Connect, Not For Profit Law. Jacob explained he had dealt with many organizations similar to DTAA, and carefully inquired into DTAA's objectives, intent, needs, plans, etc. He advised that a Constitution, rather than Model Rules would offer DTAA greater flexibility and capacity for whatever future strategic directions DTAA might take. He noted it will also provide greater transparency and clarity. He stated "in my experience, organizations like DTAA are all moving to constitutions because of the governance now required by governmental, insurance and other institutions. Professionalism must be demonstrated in the 21<sup>st</sup> century." He also added that he had seen an increase in organizations making this choice because of the requirements of NDIS accreditation. DTAA is grateful for his assistance in this process. Obtaining a legal tick of approval was requested in some of the members' feedback.

The other areas of concern highlighted by member feedback are as follows. Timely answers were provided to members if explanations were required.

1. Greater specificity of processes such as disciplinary, supervisor criteria, etc., was queried. Response: Processes will be held within the bylaws.
2. Greater specificity of executive roles and convener roles. Response: Processes will be held within the bylaws.
3. Changes regarding the rights and obligations of the different membership levels were queried, as well as the need for defining who is a credentialed professional. The lawyer validated the importance of defining who is/isn't a Professional Member for greater transparency and improved governance. He also pointed out the difference between the needs of a professional organization compared to those of an interest group. The Australian Council of Professions recommends that Professional organization should be governed by Professional Members because they understand the profession, because they must regulate their practicing members, and because governments and institutions prefer to deal with credentialed members.
4. Comparison of model rules to constitution was requested. The Constitution Committee read the Model Rules. From this as well as from the discussion with the lawyer, it was seen that both documents cover (and must cover) similar ground. However, model rules are insufficiently specific for professional organizations; their generic nature is more applicable for clubs and interest groups.
5. Editing, formatting, and presentation suggestions – these will be made before the document is lodged but will not affect content. Sandra was impressed by the detail reading that many members did.

### 6.1.1 Questions from the floor

**Cath Rummery:** asked to clarify the rights of an Associate Member.

**Sandra:** Only Professional and Provisional members can vote at the AGM, sit on the Executive, or be Convenor of a Committee. Associates can join and sit on Committees or Sub-Committees, and vote within a Committee.

**Sally Denning:** Suggest the statements under 3.1 be reversed, suggesting that the Association's first objective is to serve its professional members.

**Eileen McDonald:** pointed out the importance of the order in which things are said.

**Debbie Scarfe:** reading the Occupational Therapy constitution noted that serving members is stated first

**Robyn Price:** suggested that because we are not changing words, but simply reordering the words that the change will still allow us to accept the Constitution.

**Tracey Nicholson:** clear objectives are needed to establish our governance strongly

**Kim Dunphy:** argued the opposite view point and suggested that objectives of promoting better health, well-being and creativity are the major objectives which are followed by activities to support the objectives.

**Sally Denning, Robyn Price, and others supported the rewording as:**

The Motion was to change clause 3.1 to read:

The primary Objectives of the DTAA are:

The ongoing development and promotion of the art, science and practice of DMT, in order to promote better health, well-being and creativity for people throughout Australasia;

and the improved quality and reach of dance movement therapy, for a broad range of populations.

**Moved:** Sally Denning.      **Seconded:** Lesley Hawkins    **Abstention:** Kim Dunphy, Liz Loughlin

**Other questions from the floor**

**Elizabeth Loughlin:** wanted to ensure DTAA's objectives were different from a training organization's. Sandra replied that they are.

**Eileen McDonald:** noted that since we initially set up the Association, the laws have substantially changed, we need to choose this new constitution to align with current requirements.

**Elizabeth McKenzie:** queried that a public officer was included. Sandra replied that the NPF Law Lawyer advised we could either keep or not.

**Bouthaina Mayall:** queried if once approved, will the constitution be reviewed? She feels there are part she didn't really understand. Sandra: Yes, will be reviewed. And the by-laws will be created which will provide further details.

**Robyn Price:** be mindful, every time the Constitution is changed, it costs 400AUD. The by-laws can be changed anytime. Please be aware that this documentation is a foundation for us.

**Bouthaina Mayall:** expressed concern that HEMF was named as a committee of DTAA. Sandra replied that this designation was based on documents provided by Jane which showed this.

**Jane Guthrie:** suggested the possibility that changes to the documents she provided may have subsequently occurred. Sandra requested that Jane provide these documents ASAP and if needed, changes will be noted in the bylaws.

**Elizabeth McKenzie:** queried the need for the indemnity insurance clause. Robyn pointed out that operating without insurance was non-negotiable.



**Elizabeth McKenzie:** noted that she did not think that the number of the Acts referred to were correct. Sandra thought they had been updated but would check once again with the lawyer.

**Tracey Nicholson:** emphasized it is important we vote on the acceptance of the Constitution today.

**Motion:** The motion is to accept the Constitution, subject to the references of Acts being checked and corrected if required.

**Motion moved:** Sally Denning.

**Seconded:** Tracey Nicholson

Motion was passed unanimously.

### **Closing comments**

Sandra requested the opportunity to make closing comments as she felt it was important to acknowledge the ending of part one of the DTAA history, and the entering of a new era – with new members, new growth, and new possibilities for professionalism – recognition, work, and the ability to better serve the populations who need us.

She read a statement from The Constitution Committee: “This constitution has been written to honour, respect and support those members who have achieved professional status through appropriate training, practice, supervision, and continuing study, as well as those who have not. More importantly, it is written to inspire the non-professional members to feel the value of becoming a professional and aspired to it. It has been written so that the governance of DTAA is clear and procedural; it is written so that we do not have the sort of problems, gaps and holes that have been uncovered. It has been written so that we will be able to transparently regulate and control our finances. It has been written as a statement to the rest of Australia (and maybe the world), that DTAA is a professional organization with standards, procedures, and viable professional members. “

### **6.2 New Competences for discussion and approval**

Sally Denning introduced this section of the meeting, which unfortunately was severely shortened after the vital and lengthy Constitution discussion.

She explained her previous experience in the public service developing competencies for government employees, support works, educators etc. and therefore her qualification to lead the project. Sally then reminded us of the process that the development of the competencies had already been through, including:

- Beginning with a literature review and consultation of the ADTA competencies.
- Followed by a functional analysis at the 2016 AGM (where we moved and wrote down competencies). This information was incorporated into the document by the Competencies Committee
- At the 2017 AGM the competencies were reviewed once again. Attendees moved through the space offering powerful suggestions on sticky notes which were then assessed and incorporated by the Committee into the document.
- In summary, the process has included research, group enquiry, interviews with individual DMTs as well as hours of work from a dedicated committee (including Kim Dunphy and Sandra Lauffenburger).

Sally then summarized what the competency document offers DTAA.

- It explains what we do,

- outlines the identity of the DTAA and
- Explains who we are as professionals. If an employer asks, this is what we do.

The competencies are not about training but support training organisations to design their courses and support graduates to understand how to meet DTAA membership requirements. Most significantly the DTAA owns this document.

Sally suggested that we want to vote to “sail the competencies ship”, knowing that they should be reviewed annually.

### 6.2.1 Questions from the floor

**Connor Kelly:** should supervision should have been included? Sally responded that supervision will be covered in an accompanying document similar to the By-Laws of the constitution. Supervision is a core requirement for the Professional Membership process. Perhaps later there will be a suite of competencies around supervision. However, these Competencies outline what an-entry-level DMT can do.

**Motion:** To accept and approve the Competencies document as presented in the AGM papers.

**Moved:** Sandra Lauffenburger **Seconded:** Eileen McDonald

The motion was carried unanimously and therefore adopted.

Sally then led a very short ritual to acknowledge this achievement.

Actions		Resp	Timeline
1.	Draft AGM minutes to be sent to all members for comments within a month of AGM.	Kim/ Sandra	29/11/18
2.	Minutes to include an action table	Kim/ Sandra	29/18/18
3.	Electronic membership system established – membership admin more efficient	Laura	completed
4.	Members paying subscriptions on time.	All	On going
5.	Connect with Ausdance regarding our DTC collections Advertise and sell collections through AUSDANCE	Sally Publicit n Comm.	
6.	Have finances audited by financial services?	Treas Robyn	Prior to next AGM
7.	Prepare the next financial report including the figures budgeted, results	Treas Robyn	Next AGM
8.	Review Constitution 3.1 in accordance with motion	Sandra	Prior to submitting Constitution to gov bodies
9.	Lawyer to check references of Acts and correct if required	Sandra	Prior to submitting Constitution to gov bodies

## 6.3 Awards and Recognitions

### 6.3.1 HEMF Award 2018

Presented by Convenor Bouthaina Mayall to Christine Kuzmanovki, Suzie Graham Kuzmanovski’s daughter (in memorium).

The citation provided by Bouthaina read:

*Suzie's faith in dance as a healing modality stemmed from her own experience of using dance to heal her own body. Her practice was highly intuitive and refined, but also carefully thought out and researched. Suzie worked with people with intellectual disabilities in Colac, innovating ways of engaging them and their learning well before she ever heard of dance therapy. In 2004 she commenced a certificate in dance therapy training and displayed a sensitivity to the needs of people with intellectual disabilities. In the words of Suzie's supervisor, "her clients really mattered to her". With perseverance Suzie set up the first regular dance therapy groups in Colac for her clients.*

*As she gradually gained recognition for her DMT skills she was invited to set up a DMT group with primary school girls to address relational aggression. Suzie had a community orientation, for example, working with primary school aged children who were part of Colac's Sudanese community, collaborating with the local primary school's action plan to address emotional blocks to learning. Her successful involvement with children of the Sudanese community led to using DMT with Sudanese refugee women and their babies with the aim of facilitating an opportunity to express their stories in dance and to facilitate healing dances.*

*When facing her own health issues, Suzie returned to and relied on her knowledge and experience in DMT to guide her during these times. In Hanny Exiner's book "Dance Therapy Redefined" Hanny writes the following "We work with dance as the therapeutic material. Dance is the main vehicle of the therapy and it is in the act of dancing that the therapy is realised". It is this last sentence in particular that Suzie truly lived. Her contribution in the rural town of Colac is a shining example of the way dance therapy can contribute to healing and connection in community. Thank you Suzie for recognizing people's needs and having the faith and perseverance to meet those through dance.*

### 6.3.2 Celebration of our Published Authors and International Conference Presenters

Presented by Robyn Price

Robyn noted the importance of acknowledging the achievements of our members. Because of the number of achievements Robyn chose to share the highlights and will post the full list to the Members page on the DTAA website. She identified the major contributions, such as chapters by our members in the *the Oxford Handbook of Dance and Wellbeing*, conference presentations given in Greece (EADMT), in the USA (ADTA) and in Adelaide (DaCi), as well as the many members who presented in Melbourne at the *Thinking Bodies Moving Minds symposium*. Robyn shared her personal understanding of how much work it takes to prepare for these papers and conferences as well as the courage to submit and present.

### 6.3.3 DTAA Inaugural Service Award

Presented by Kim Dunphy to the Professional Membership Committee, inclusive of Alberto Dimarucut, Eileen McDonald, Connor Kelly, Anna Schlusser and Sandra Lauffenburger for their outstanding work in advancing the processes of Professional Membership and successful mentoring more than 50 new professional applicants through the membership process in the last two years.

#### 6.3.4 Presentation of New Provisional Professional Members

Presented by Sandra Lauffenburger, Convener of the PMC and Anna Schlusser and Elizabeth McKenzie

New Provisional members are:

Anna Crooks

Cath Rummery

Katharina Lein

Ella Dumaresq

Sandra Perrin

Tess Hens

Monica Espinoza

Verity Larraman

Sarah Macgregor

Ann Way

#### 6.3.4 Presentation of New Professional Members

Presented by Sandra Lauffenburger, Convener of the PMC and Anna Schlusser and Elizabeth McKenzie

New Professional Members are:

Angela Leung

Sharon Todd-Miller

Lesley Hawkins

Mary Rose Nicol

Eileen McDonald

Mandy Agnew

Mary-Claude Vienet

Sharon Paetzold

Virginia Woods

Esther Edwards

Alex Jordan

Alice Owen

Teri McNeil

Rosemarie Smith

Andrea Berchtold

Francoise Bale  
Verity Danbold  
Maria Sangiorgi  
Cinzia Schincariol  
Corinne Urquhart  
Natalie Poole  
Theresa Jackson  
Terrie-Ann Bolger  
Debbie Scarfe  
Barbara Eberhart  
Yumi Schaefer

## 6.4 Conclusion of the AGM

Elizabeth McKenzie formally closed the 2018 DTAA AGM at approximately 4pm EST.

## Member Achievements 2018

### **Celebrating our Published Authors and International Conference Presenters**

In support of Objective 2 of the Strategic Plan:

Expanded reach of DMT services, through 2.3. Strengthened evidence base for DMT

In the past 12 months many of our members have appeared publicly, presenting at conferences and in papers published in books and journals in other parts of the world. We honour those members and acknowledge the contribution they have made to the profession.

#### **Ella Dumaresq - Vic**

##### EADMT Conference, Greece – Oct 2018

Transitioning from prison into community: exploring the possibilities for dance movement therapy with women in the criminal justice system and their supporting networks.

#### **Kim Dunphy - Vic**

**Mullane, S. & Dunphy, K.** (2017). Dance movement therapy and student learning and well-being in special education. In V. Karkou, S. Oliver & S. Lycouris (Eds.). *The handbook of dance and wellbeing*. pp. 493-516. London: Oxford University Press.

##### EADMT Conference – Greece, Oct 2018

Utilising new technology to assist effective and systematic assessment of dance movement therapy. Kim Dunphy (Australia)

ADTA Conference – Utah, Oct 2018

- Integrating the art and science of dance/movement therapy: establishing an outcomes framework
- The Global Movement of Dance/Movement Therapy: Establishing an International Network to Connect our Profession. Kim Dunphy, Amber E.L. Gray, Dita Federman
- International Panel - Trauma and Restoration: An International Response

Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

Embodiment as an outcome of dance movement therapy: How can we assess change that occurs through the therapeutic process?

**Jane Guthrie - Vic**

Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

Working with Effort: Moods, movement and meaning. Lucy Angell & Jane Guthrie

**Tessa Hens - Vic**

DaCi Conference – Adelaide, July 2018

Dancing for connection, growth and learning: The use of movement and dance in a specialist early learning setting Samantha Smrekar-Thompson and Tessa Hens

Australian New Zealand Arts Therapy Association (ANZATA) and Australian Creative Arts Therapy Association (ACATA) 2017 Conference held at University of Melbourne  
*'Understanding outcomes of dance movement therapy: using technology to assist in effective and systematic assessment'*

**Heather Hill - Vic**

EADMT Conference – Greece, Oct 2018

The dance and the dancer transformed and transforming – lessons from the field - Richard Coaten (UK), Donna Newman-Bluestein (USA), Maeve Larkin (Australia), Bridget Poulter (UK) and Heather Hill (Australia)

Hill, H (2017). Dance Therapy and the Possibility of Wellbeing with People with Dementia. In V. Karkou, S. Oliver & S. Lycouris (Eds.). *The handbook of dance and wellbeing*. pp. 493-516. London: Oxford University Press.

**E. Connor Kelly - Guam**

ADTA Conference – Utah, Oct 2018

Physical Storytelling: An Approach for Integrating Body and Narrative. Steve Harvey, E. Connor Kelly (Guam)

An Arts Base Investigation of Eastern and Western Culture in a Time of Political Tensions. Steve Harvey, E. Connor Kelly (Guam), Joan Wittig

**Maeve Larkin – Regional Vic**

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### DaCi Conference – Adelaide, July 2018

Embodied self and DMT in dementia care.

#### **Elizabeth Loughlin - Vic**

Loughlin, E. (2017). Dance: An Aesthetic Experience to Foster Wellbeing for Vulnerable Mothers and Infants. In V. Karkou, S. Oliver & S. Lycouris (Eds.). *The handbook of dance and wellbeing*. pp. 493-516. London: Oxford University Press.

Jennifer Ericksen, Elizabeth Loughlin, and Charlene Holt; Natalie Rose, Eliza Hartley, Melissa Buultjens, Alan W. Gemmill, Jeannette Milgrom (2018). 'A Therapeutic Playgroup for depressed mothers and their Infants: Feasibility study and pilot randomized trial of Community Hugs'. *Infant Mental Health Journal*, Vol.00(0) 1-12, (2018)

### DaCi Conference – Adelaide, July 2018

'Dancing eyebrows, rhythmic knees, surging bodies: When dance starts'.

#### **Jan McConnell – NZ**

### Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

Te Kanikani – The Dance

#### **Eileen McDonald – NSW**

Over the past few years, coordinating a project with the Wangu Kanja Foundation in the Nairobi Mukuru slum, using DMT to assist healing for women and children survivors of gender and sexual abuse. The project is in process of developing training for survivors to sustainably facilitate dance/movement healing programs for their communities.

#### **Sue Mullane - Vic**

**Mullane, S. & Dunphy, K.** (2017). Dance movement therapy and student learning and well-being in special education. In V. Karkou, S. Oliver & S. Lycouris (Eds.). *The handbook of dance and wellbeing*. pp. 493-516. London: Oxford University Press.

### Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

Experiencing embodied research methodology: Paying attention by fleshier means to the fleshier aspects of knowing and understanding

#### **Tracey Nicholson - Qld**

### Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

How do we subtly incorporate Somatics and Laban Movement Analysis into movement sessions with clients – Arriving at the essence of Movement Therapy?

#### **Robyn Price - NSW**

GANZ Conference Melbourne – August 2017 - workshop

Breathing and breathing with: body process in Gestalt therapy

**Cinzia Schincariol - SA**

DaCi Conference – Adelaide, July 2018

When I close my eyes, I see.... Cinzia Schincariol and Henry Walker

**Jacquelyn Jung-Hsu Wan**

Why do we do what we do? How does Creative Arts Therapy integrate into daily life? - Implication for a bodyful life, ANZATA conference, Dec. 2017

**Virginia Woods - Northern NSW**

Thinking Bodies Moving Minds – Melbourne, Aug 2018

- The brain and the moving body in psychotherapy
- Mindfulness and the body

Are there any other achievements, published papers or international conference presentations anyone would like to mention – in relation to themselves or someone they know? Each year, we will honour our members at our AGM – all those we know about. Please email information to [admin@dtaa.org.au](mailto:admin@dtaa.org.au) with the Subject: Member achievements.