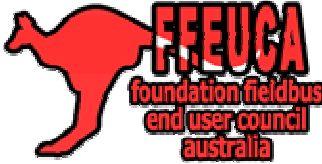


SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING – MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: 03 December 2009

LOCATION: – Engineers Australia, Perth

Minutes by: Katie Ainsworth



PRESENT

Allen Tighe (Chair)

Danny Ainsworth

William Ramsay

Vince Derriman

Kevin Barnes

Merv Gilby

John Marr

APOLOGIES

Matt Marcussen

RL Narayanan

Duncan Turner

Lim Tiong

Meeting was declared open at 17:52 hrs

Allen Tighe opened the meeting

Copies of the 2 proposals received (from ACEPT & ECU) were distributed to all members at the meeting.

At the committee meeting on the 6th July it was put forward to the committee that the FF-EUC Aus be closed down. The committee voted for & passed for this to be done. Therefore this special general meeting has been called to formalize the wind up of the FF-EUC Aus Inc.

Requests for assets utilization were sent to IICA, ACEPT (TAFE) & the ECU School of Engineering - proposals were received from ACEPT and ECU, IICA declined to submit a response.

Allen asked if there were any questions re the wind-up or the request for proposals from those attending the meeting.

Questions

Q1 - Who was invited to the meeting tonight to vote?

Answer: All names on the membership database were sent an invitation to attend.

Q2 - When did FF-EUC Aus advise FF globally of its intention to close and what was their response?

Answer: Emails were sent to Rich T & cc to Bill T following the meeting on 6th July. There was no formal reply but read receipts were obtained from their emails showing that the emails were received.

Q3 - How many other EUC groups have closed?

Answer: Singapore is now closing (rolling into the Marketing Group) and it is believed the North American group is being re-branded into a marketing group.

Proposals & Voting

Allen Tighe put forward the proposal from the committee vote (6th July) to wind up FF-EUC Aus Inc and donate the assets to either ACEPT or ECU – a vote was now needed on the two proposals (legal default if no vote is donation of all assets to charity). A show of hands was requested of members present indicating their preference.

Vote results :-

ACEPT	1
ECU	6 + 3

ACEPT – 1 vote Danny Ainsworth

ECU – 6 votes Kevin Barnes, Vince Derriman, John Marr, Merv Gilby, Bill Ramsay, Allen Tighe & 3 proxy votes Lim, Duncan Turner, Mat Marcussen

Bill Ramsay proposed :-

“that the FF-EUC Aus Inc assets are dispersed to the ECU School of Engineering for the purposes of FF education and training & that the FF-EUC Aus Inc be formally wound-up”.

Proposed : Bill Ramsay

Seconded: Danny Ainsworth

Comment - once the assets have been given over to ECU the FF-EUC Aus Inc no longer exists and has no authority to control assets etc and all decisions are up to the ECU operating committee. ECU has invited any FF-EUC committee members to join their operating group if they are interested.

Vote results :-

For	6
Abstain	1

As greater than 75% of committee and the members present voted “for” - the motion is passed & the FF-EUC committee will now proceed with the proposal.

It is therefore decided that ECU will receive all assets and funds from FF-EUC Aus Inc for the purpose of forming the Australian Fieldbus Centre for Education and Training.

Allen thanked the committee for their work in making “JumpAboard 2009” a success and their efforts over the years.

Meeting closed: 18:00 hrs

