



Dear Member

2026 Qld Division Annual General Meeting Notice of meeting

The ARITA 2026 Queensland Division Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held via Zoom on **Monday 30 March 2026 at 5 pm (AEST)**.

Chair: **Chris Cook**

Secretary: **Matthew Joiner**

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Zoom meeting details

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Agenda

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Approval of the minutes of previous AGM [Attachment A pending – for resolution]
3. Chairman's report
4. CEO's report
5. Announcement of 2026 Division Committee members*
6. General business.

*The election of Division Committee members is conducted via online ballot prior to the Division AGM (s 17.5(a) [ARITA Constitution](#)).

Voting is open for 15 business days and closes 5 business days prior to the date of the meeting.

You will receive a separate email with voting instructions 20 business days prior to the AGM.

Please contact committees@arita.com.au with any questions regarding the election process.

Dated 22 January 2026

Matthew Joiner
Secretary

Qld Division
ARITA



Attachment A

**DRAFT MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE QUEENSLAND DIVISION OF THE
AUSTRALIAN RESTRUCTURING INSOLVENCY AND TURNAROUND ASSOCIATION
HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 25 MARCH 2025 AT 5:00PM (AEST)**

PRESENT:	Ben Shaw; Chris Cook, Helen Newman, Ian Dorey, Matthew Joiner, Michael Fingland, Glen Oldham, Kelly-Anne Trenfield.
APOLOGIES:	nil
INVITEE:	John Winter (CEO, ARITA)
CHAIR:	Chris Cook

OPENING

Mr Chris Cook called the meeting to order and declared the Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Division of the Australian Restructuring and Turnaround Association open at 5:00pm.

PROXIES

No proxies were tabled.

MINUTES OF 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Mr Cook tabled the minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting of the ARITA Queensland Division. The following resolution was put to the meeting:

“That the minutes as tabled be adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.”

Moved: Matthew Joiner

Seconded: Kelly-Anne Trenfield

Resolution: Carried on the voices



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Cook tabled a brief report on the activities of the Division over the last year and summarised the salient points.

Mr Cook thanked the members for assistance and contribution to a successful year. Mr Cook acknowledged the contribution of Michael Fingland to the Queensland Committee and the Association, noting he elected to retire from the Committee and not stand for re-election. The meeting thanked Mr Fingland for his contribution.

Mr Cook also acknowledged the contributions of the various members of the Queensland Division that had volunteered their time to the subcommittees with particular thanks to the annual state conference subcommittee. Mr Cook also thanked the following:

1. Helen Newman for managing the education forums;
2. Members of the QLD YP committee for their contribution, growth and support;
3. Members who have assisted as Workshop leaders;
4. Kelly-Anne Trenfield and Michael Fingland for their contribution to the Board and the Finance, Risk and Governance committee; and
5. ARITA for executing a successful education program and improving the industry's profile.

CEO'S REPORT

Mr Winter provided an overview of the achievements of the Association over the course of last year as well as the plan and challenges for the year ahead.

Mr Winter confirmed the Association had 2 main focuses last year beyond normal operations, which were gaining federal government approval for a Graduate Diploma in Restructuring, Insolvency & Turnaround to be delivered under the VET framework. ARITA is expected to become an RTO to deliver the course from the beginning of 2026. The second focus was the rollout of the Learning on Demand suite of education products under the Essential Skills banner. Mr Winter noted 35 firms have signed up for learning packages, along with 90 firms already purchasing ARITA's suite of Precedents.

Mr Winter also confirmed the Association made 11 submissions to the Government during 2024 for Corporate Insolvency reform, as part of the Joint Parliamentary Committee review, acknowledging the efforts of Mr Warren Mundy, ARITA's Special Adviser. However, ARITA's recommendations to Treasury have not progressed noting the Federal election is expected to be held by May 2025.



Mr Winter also confirmed the Association has experienced a high retention of and engagement with its members, in comparison to other Australian professional associations.

Mr Winter confirmed he would be leaving his CEO role after 11 years, he thanked the Queensland division committee for their hard work, their support over the years and wished them the best for the future.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2025-2026 DIVISIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr Winter noted that 16 valid nominations were duly received for 14 vacant positions and therefore a ballot was required.

Mr Winter announced the members of the divisional committee as follows:

1. Chris Cook
2. Helen Newman
3. Kelly-Anne Trenfield
4. Anthony Connelly
5. Ian Dorey
6. Paul McQuade KC
7. Peter Smith
8. Claire Petersen
9. Matthew Joiner
10. David Johnstone
11. Ben Shaw
12. Alex Myers
13. Glen Oldham
14. Damien Lau

Mr Winter expressed congratulations to the successful nominees and commiserations to the unsuccessful nominees.



STAND DOWN OF MEETING

The meeting was stood down at 5:15pm to allow for a meeting of the newly appointed Committee to elect their office bearers and representative for the National Board.

RECOMMENCEMENT

The meeting was recommenced at 5:25pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr Cook announced that the following appointments had been made by the newly appointed Committee:

Divisional Position	Member
Chair	Chris Cook
Deputy Chair	Ian Dorey
Secretary	Matthew Joiner
National Board Nominee	Kelly-Anne Trenfield

Mr Winter acknowledged Mrs Trenfield's ongoing contribution to the National Board.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 5:30 pm.

Chris Cook
Chair

26 March 2025