

MEDIA RELEASE

Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association

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AIDA announces new Board of Directors

The Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) is pleased to announce the new AIDA Board of Directors, following the Board election at the 2017 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Prior to the AGM the Board consisted of eight directors with one casual vacancy. Of the eight Directors, Dr Kris Rallah-Baker (Acting Vice President), Dr Dana Slape and Dr Artiene Tatian are still serving current terms. Dr Ben Armstrong and Dr Raymond Blackman and Student Director, Mr Ian Lee have retired from their positions. During the election, President, Dr Kali Hayward and Director, Dr Jonathan Newchurch re-stood for election for their positions, for which they were both successful.

Nominations were received from Director, Dr Kris Rallah-Baker for the position of Vice President and AIDA members, Dr Melissa Carroll and Dr Jordan Cory for the positions of Director. Each were elected at the AGM unopposed, while Mr Russell Thompson was elected as Student Director.

In accordance with the AIDA Constitution the Board has appointed AIDA member Dr Olivia O'Donoghue to the casual vacancy left following the AGM. The Board has also exercised its discretion to appoint AIDA member, Associate Professor Shannon Springer as an additional member of the Board in accordance with the Constitution.

The AIDA Board of Directors now consists of ten members which have a diverse skill set to apply to the governance of AIDA. The current AIDA Board of Directors is as follows:

President, Dr Kali Hayward.

Vice President, Dr Kris Rallah-Baker.

Directors, Dr Melissa Carroll, Dr Jordan Cory, Dr Olivia O'Donoghue, Dr Jonathan Newchurch, Dr Dana Slape, Associate Professor Shannon Springer and Dr Artiene Tatian.

Student Director, Mr Russell Thompson.

AIDA looks forward to being governed by such accomplished representatives of its membership.

AIDA would like to thank immediate past Directors, Dr Ben Armstrong and Dr Raymond Blackman and immediate past Student Director, Mr Ian Lee for their service to AIDA, through their governance and representative work and wish them well in their future endeavours as Indigenous doctors.

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