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KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2017 has been an exciting time for us as we worked towards implementing the structure of the United Nations Association of Australia, Western Australia (UNAA WA).

This year, there has been a strong focus on establishing effective communication strategies and fostering better partnerships with our stakeholders in WA. As is evident through our funding sources, the strengthened engagement with our stakeholders continues to be an important area of focus, with majority of income being generated consistently through fundraising events.

Given the demand and requirement for a well-established process of engagement and promotion of our work at the UNAAWA, the Communication Committee and the Partnership & Sponsorship Committee was initiated.

2017 has also been a year filled with exciting events.

- UN Day 2016 honoured multiculturalism and featured traditional Russian and Chinese dances, an Aboriginal choir, a Greek instrumentalist, as well as a soprano and pianist performance. Guests were treated to key note speeches from Ms Andrea Gleason, Director WA State Office Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Dr Nonja Peters, Director of History of Migration, Curtin University. A diverse mix of community and multicultural representatives attended. The event was well supported by members from a range of organisations including the City of Perth, Curtin University and Graduate School of Business, National Australia Bank and Harvard Club Australia.
- In recognition of Human Rights Day, commemorated on 10 December, the UNAAWA Human Rights Committee hosted a powerful interactive event at the Perth office of King and Wood Mallesons law firm. The event sought to celebrate and explore the economic, cultural, social and environmental gains which follow effective resettlement of humanitarian entrants.
- The Women's Committee hosted a panel centred on the impact and challenges facing women in Higher Education in partnership with Curtin Graduate Business School with co-panelists: Robin McClellan (CEO, Leadership WA), Luisa Wing (founder, Vermelho), Dr Suzanne Goodman (founder, 9 Dragons Coaching & Training) and Aleisha Godenzie (Change Manager, WA Police). The panelists offered their insights on barriers to women's leadership in Western Australia, their own personal experiences of the benefits of postgraduate study and its value in closing the gender pay gap, their impressions of barriers to gender equality in business culture, impostor syndrome, confidence-building, and the importance of self-care.



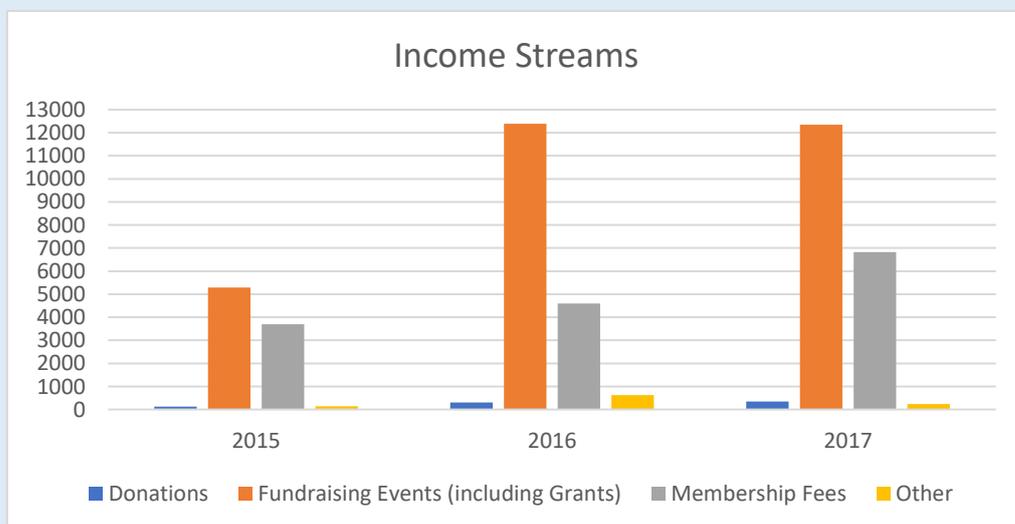
- Every year all over the world, countless parents flee war and conflict in their homeland. Desperate and with few options, they search for safety, and a future free of danger, for their children. Our Young Professionals partnered with Red Cross to host an event aimed at challenging participants thinking on migration through learning and contributing to open discussions, as part of the Social Impact Festival. Participants gained a better understanding on the local and global movement of people, and how the contribution of migrants to our community shapes our diverse and vibrant society.
- The Environment Committee has established five core focus areas: Oceans, Forestry, Climate Change, Agriculture and Built Environment. The Committee hosted a World Food Day seminar focusing on ending hunger, achieving food security and promoting nutrition and sustainable agriculture as it relates to Western Australia. They also hosted a well-attended and very successful beach clean-up event co-hosted with Sea Shepard.

In addition, we reviewed our sub-committee structures, with the aim of providing a defined line of accountability as well as a clear development pathway for our members.

As we see the ongoing demographic change in our community, we continue to expand our membership base with a focus on acquiring new members, as well as retaining our existing and valuable partners.

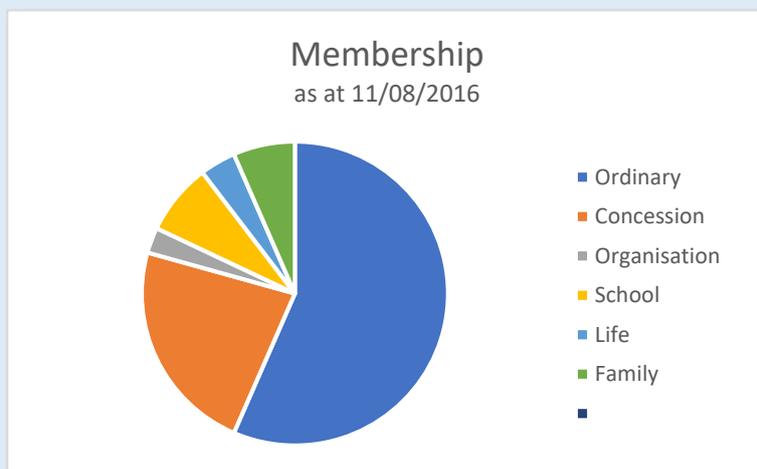
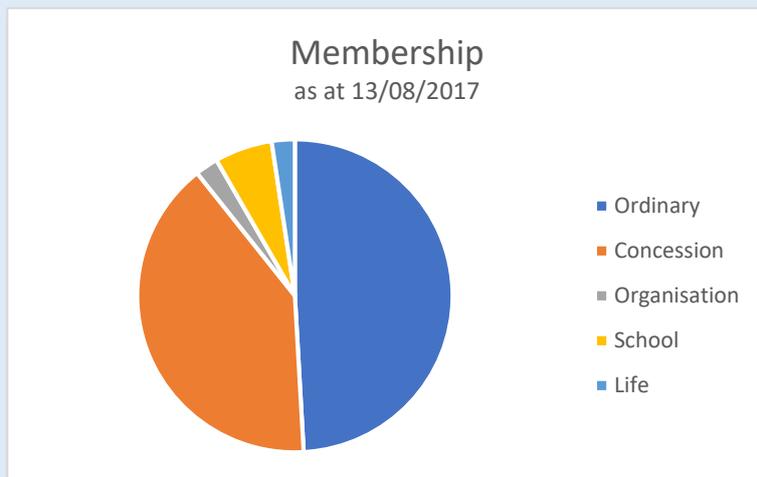
We continue to see an increase in our membership rates, which is off-set by a slight decrease in our attrition rates over the last four quarters. The majority of our members are Ordinary members, with an almost equivalent percentage of Concession membership.

Finally, there have been many successful milestones achieved over the last 12 months including the engaging of an external consultant to review our Associations policies and guidance notes. This has resulted in the development of a formal Policy Handbook in order to provide clarity to support both new and current members.





MEMBERSHIP





OUR PEOPLE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2016/17

OFFICE BEARERS

President	Dr Stephen J Lennon
Vice President (Ordinary Members)	Dr Sandy Yee Ling Chong
Vice President (Organisations)	Maria Bunn
Treasurer	Harvey Davies
Secretary	Parisa Jalali
Immediate Past President	Carolyne Gatward

ORDINARY MEMBERS

Joseph Caruso
Lindsay Dorman (resigned August 2017)
Katryna Douglas (resigned February 2017)
Kay Hallahan AO
Beatrice Hamilton
Siobhan Jennings (resigned March 2017)
Brian McHenry (resigned June 2017)
Alanna Murphy
Neesha Seth
Lara Silbert
Fadzi Whande

ORGANISATIONAL MEMBERS

Universal Great Brotherhood	Manita Beskow
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AUDITOR

Peter Illidge FCPA FCIS FGIA MBA



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This, my first year as President, has seen a remarkable year of consolidation and invigorated focus on promoting the UNAAWA's commitment to the vision of the United Nations and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). UN Secretary-General António Guterres, in his inaugural speech called for an integrated approach to the three pillars of the UN – peace and security, human rights and sustainable development, stating that the challenges facing the world today required a multilateral response, *“This approach must be at the centre of our strategy of reform”*. Our individual and collective responses and contributions within the Western Australia community together with groundswell support to bring about change, brings into sharp focus how local action can be the foundation block for strengthening the bonds of goodwill amongst local communities and nations.

At my acceptance speech as incoming President, I called for us to unify and rally around furthering the goals and objectives of the United Nations through our Human Rights, Women, Environment, and Education Committees – all overseen by a strong Executive Committee and support structure. My vision encompassed more emphasis in broadening the stakeholder and support base of the UNAAWA. I truly believe we can leverage the vast wealth of skills inherent in our rich multicultural society to achieve truly sustainable development in Australia and abroad.

This aspiration is now turning into reality. Following our strategic planning session at the beginning of the year, we agreed to focus on five key areas:

1. Stakeholder outreach to broaden our influence and support base.
2. Membership care to encourage members to be more involved and engaged and achieve our purpose of connecting West Australians with the United Nations to promote justice, peace, security and sustainable development for present and future generations.
3. Sustainability of UNAAWA to ensure we are financially sustainable and adhere to the norms of good governance.
4. Communication of our activities through our newsletter, social media, events, advocacy, education program and media.
5. Events and advocacy through our committee structures and volunteers.

I am pleased to report on progress against these key areas. Details of the events and advocacy programme are included under the committee reports and summarised in this report.

STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

We have seen significant progress in stakeholder management and communications with the formation of strategic partnerships, improving our marketing and communication collaterals for outreach purposes, establishing contacts and relationships with local organisations, which extend our reach considerably. In addition, our communications strategy has been augmented through the recent establishment of our cross-cutting Communication



Committee and the Partnership & Sponsorship Committee, under the able leadership of our Vice President, Dr Sandy Chong.

MEMBERSHIP CARE

We have started holding quarterly membership and volunteer networking events for our member as a key platform for engaging our membership and promoting ideas and dialogue. Alanna Murphy is currently planning the last event of the year and we hope to see our membership increase even further after this event to bring us into a successful 2018.

SUSTAINABILITY OF UNAAWA

The UNAA WA is founded on the principles of inclusivity, efficacy of participation and good governance. To this end, we undertook a major initiative to conduct an organisational review, to augment this value and provide the Executive and members with a guidance manual. This work was supported by a generous grant from Lotterywest and culminated in the unanimous adoption of the new Constitution for the UNAAWA at a Special General Meeting held on 17 August 2017. My appreciation goes to the members who supported this important initiative in ensuring alignment with recent regulatory changes. A further significant output of this Review was the production and formalisation of the Policy Handbook for as a member's operational guide within the UNAA WA's structures. This Handbook equips us with the tools to run an effective and efficient organisation.

Our finances continue to show stability and consistency and our ability to operate as a going concern. I do however still aspire to a stronger balance sheet to enable us to increase the resources we are able to apply to the excellent work of our hard presses team of volunteers.

COMMUNICATION

We continue to send out our regular newsletter to our members under the able editorship of Melanie Chatfield. In addition, the Communications committee has done an excellent job in both training volunteers and in formalising our communications approach through the development of policies, procedures and a communications manual.

LEAD – NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME

A major initiative of 2017 was UNAAWA taking the lead nationally on the UNAA National Human Rights Programme, under the expert Chairmanship of Fadzi Whande. After getting agreement Nationally on the scope of the programme, our focus has been on developing resources and establishing partnerships and collaborations with other organizations and companies. The focus of the Programme is on:

- Human Rights Program Seminar Series – (Café Series)
- Sustainable Development Goals and Human Rights
- Refugees
- Social Justice
- Gender Equality, The Economic Empowerment of Women and Girls, and the 16 Days of Activism

COMMITTEES



The UNNAWA committee structures, underpinned by strong leadership, constructive engagement and participation, to yield positive outcomes, is the cornerstone of the UNAAWA. The main thrust has been to bring about collaboration across the committees for cross-cutting strategies and programmes that serve to unfold the values and deliverables of SDGs. My gratitude goes out to each of the Chairs who display passion and commitment.

Our programme of work has continued apace, with recent events being successfully hosted by our Young Professionals, Women's Committee, Human Rights Committee, Education Reference Group and the Environment Committee. Spearheaded by the Chairs, each of these committees have a strategy in place to implement relevant programmes which culminate in promoting practicable comprehension of the SDGs and giving effect to its intent through global thinking and local action.

The Executive Committee of the UNAAWA is the primary oversight and integration committee for the Association. In 2016, we met monthly and the committee was exceptionally effective in executing its task.

At a National level, I had the honour of being recognised by my peers at the UNAA, and I am pleased to take on the role of Vice President UNAA for 2017/18. In this regard, I look forward to working in close partnership with National President of the UNAA, Major General (Retd) Michael G Smith AO and the National Executive Committee.

In planning for the year ahead I look forward to continuing in the profiling of the SGDs as core to the future of humankind. Australia assumes its seat on the United Nations Human Rights Council in 2018 and this will be an important driver behind our national Human Rights Programme. The programme of work for our committees is now well defined and I look forward to a full and rich series of events in 2018.

Our exciting UN Day event is rapidly approaching. To be held at Government house on 27 October, this showcase event will include our inaugural UNAAWA awards and include our patron, Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AO and Deputy Premier the Honourable Roger Cook MLA. We are grateful for the generous sponsorship of The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), and Lotterywest.

I am also proud to report that we have been accepted as partners with The Platform – a not for profit venue which offers a central venue for our future events, as part of our membership engagement strategy.

In order to further our efforts and achieving the goals of the UNAAWA, key executive positions such as the Vice Presidents will have portfolios according to the strategic roles which they would be leading in 2018. There will be a Vice President of Strategy and a Vice President of Membership reporting directly to the President of the UNAAWA. The VP of Strategy will be providing strategic directives at both Communications Committee and Partnership and Sponsorship Committee to increase our visibility in the wider community, while the VP of Membership will be growing and retaining our membership base through Membership Development and Volunteers Management initiatives.



The UNAAWA is a 100% volunteer run organisation – yet it operates with a professionalism and focus which is often absent in organisations employing full time staff. This is due to a dedicated and committed team of volunteers who are driven by their commitment to seeing a better world and who are united in their passion for the goals and objectives of the United Nations. I would like to thank all of our volunteers and members for their support over the last year. In particular I would like to highlight the leadership team making up the executive committee which is listed earlier on in this report. This is a particularly effective team which works together in a sprint completely aligned with the values of the United Nations. The Executive committee was ably supported by key individuals including Ashinka Weeratunge (Human Resources), Rees Barrett (Education), Tim Fowler (Special Projects) and Jo Arbel (Communications).

Special thanks go to our office volunteers – those who staff our office regularly throughout the year. Brittany Quay, Bronwyn Fraser, Amanda Lauria, Harvey Davies, Curtis Clark and Lindsay Dorman. Particular thanks must go to Lindsay Dorman whose support to UNAAWA over many years is nothing short of commendable. Lindsay resigned from active UNAAWA support in August to pursue a writing opportunity, although he remains a committed UNAAWA Member. On behalf of all in the UNAAWA I would like to thank Lindsay for his very special contribution over an extended period. I will miss his engaging manner, his constructive suggestions and his amazing attention to detail. I wish him all the best for the future. Further information on the Office Volunteers is contained in Lindsay’s report later in this report.

I would like to thank our Patron Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AC Governor of Western Australia for her ongoing support and guidance.

Finally, thanks go to our sponsors – The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), Lotterywest, The Parmelia Hilton Hotel, King and Wood Mallesons, Ashursts, The Platform, Le Cordon Bleu and Brightsidelive Audio Visual Events and all our partners who have helped to make 2017 such a successful year.

Dr SJ Lennon

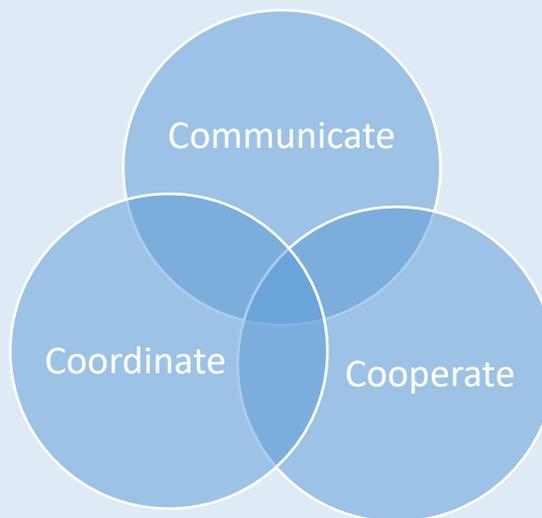
President



COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

In 2017, the need to streamline engagement strategies across the work of the organisation in a coherent and sustainable framework was identified. This saw the establishment of the Communications Committee which works complementary to the organisation's strategic goals, the Partnership & Sponsorship Committee and in support of the other committee's events and activities.



Predominantly the purpose of the Communications Committee is to increase the Association's visibility in Western Australia, and through this to raise awareness of the work of the United Nations. The committee aims to provide a coherent external communication and marketing framework to better streamline engagement strategies and integrate them into the advocacy work of the association. With the VP Communications overseeing the establishment of the Communications Committee, key roles were identified including a Chief of Communications role and a number of positions appointed. The Chief of Communications role was appointed in June 2017 and committee members with strong expertise in media, public relations and social media engagement were also welcomed to the team over a number of months.

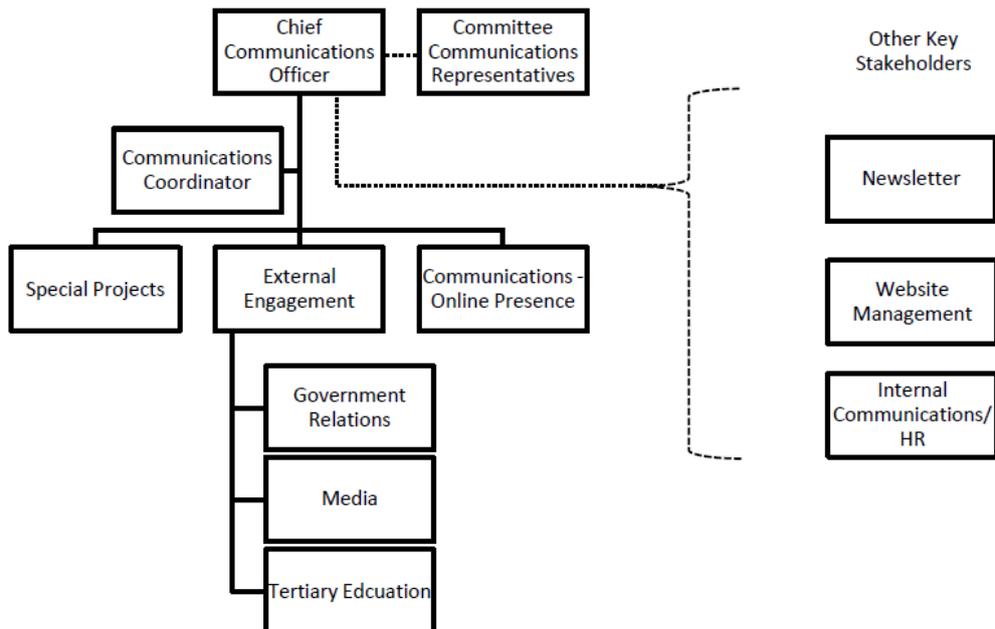
A key focus this year has been to align communications activities across the organisation. A first of its kind Communications Workshop was held in September to train committee convenors and members on effective communications tools and processes. The workshop provided an opportunity to identify communications challenges and to brainstorm solutions, allowing the Communications Committee to collect valuable feedback and gather ideas for future improvements.



Communications Committee Workshop

A UNAAWA Communications Manual was also developed this year, providing a central version controlled document. The manual outlines UNAAWA’s strategic communication goals as well as operational guidelines that will enable volunteers to contribute towards achieving these goals. Key parts of the Manual are protocols on event coverage, social media and email use.

UNAA WA – Communications Team Organisational Chart





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Specifically the manual aims to;

- Equip committees and members with the knowledge and tools that will enable them to communicate the UNAAWA's work effectively and transparently.
- Ensure that committees and members follow the appropriate guidelines when engaging with news and media organisation's.
- Provide a step-by-step guide on utilising communications tools to maximise exposure for UNAAWA's activities and events.
- Ensure consistency in the organisation's communication approach, messaging, and branding.

Below are other key activities undertaken by the newly established Communications Committee:

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Created a corporate LinkedIn account to phase out a personal account and gradually building its network.
- Established key social media role for easier scheduling and to optimise engagement opportunities, including the use of Hootsuite to manage multiple social media platforms on one platform.
 - Began live-streaming of key UNAAWA events on Facebook, such as Women in Higher Education on 5th July which garnered about 300 views.
 - Focused on studying reach and engagement figures to maximise social media impact, which is an ongoing strategy.



MEDIA AND STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT

- Developed a comprehensive media and key contacts list.
- Established a Public Relations role to focus on developing media relationships and approaching publications about future editorial opportunities.
- Student volunteer created a mini-film called “Humans of UNAAWA” to showcase the breadth of talent at UNAAWA and serve as an essential promotional material.
- Ongoing publishing of issues in the newsletter to highlight UNAAWA’s work and keep members engaged.
- Established contact and meeting for UNAAWA President and VP for Strategy with CEO of the WA Local Government Association (WALGA).
- Distributed letters to 59 MLAs and 36 MLCs encouraging them to participate at the UN Day Gala and generally raising awareness for the association.



Joanna Arbel
Chief of Communications



EDUCATION REFERENCE GROUP (ERG)

The ERG met four times, with the following UNAAWA members participating: Kay Hallahan, Manita Beskow, David Hollands, David Gibson, Harvey Davies, Jan Ryan, Elaine Lewis (Coolbinia Primary School), Ronell Vermeulen (Kingsway Christian College), Caroline Marsh (One World Centre) and Anne and Rees Barrett. These meetings focused on arrangements for developing and implementing eight new programs for schools

YOLANDE FRANK ART AWARDS

The ERG assumed responsibility for administering these Awards after Meerilinga advised it was unable to do so. Five schools submitted up to four entries each from Year 4 to 6 students illustrating Article 31 of the *Convention on the Rights of the Child* – The Right to Play. The Judging Panel (Diana Warnock, *Friends of PIAF*; Jill Green, *National Jewish Women's Association*; Mike Nicholas, *Run Mouse Run*) provided advice on future development of the Awards and selected prizewinners. Prizes were presented at the 2016 Peace Day function. Letters and certificates were sent to the following students through their schools:

- Winner: Tea Heathcote-Marks, Karrinyup Primary School
- Highly Commended: Olivia Cohen, Carmel School
- Group Prize: Mikayla Evans and Madi Miller, Karrinyup Primary School

Changes aimed at increasing student and school participation implemented during 2017 included: earlier production and wider distribution of the poster; expansion of the awards to secondary schools (Years 7 to 9); inclusion of resources on website (links to other websites illustrating human rights, applying Critical and Creative Thinking to illustrate human rights); negotiation of Awards display in Alexander Library, Northbridge; and advising schools and members on verification process enabling individual students to enter.

SCHOOLS' SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGE

Implemented for the first time in 2017 and based on the successful activity in the 2016 Student Parliament, this award program aims to promote the SDGs in primary and secondary schools. A poster was prepared and widely circulated from March. The deadline was extended to the end of third term in response to school feedback.

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY AWARDS

Implemented for the first time in 2017 and designed to promote Global Citizenship Education (GCEd) – a strategic priority for the UN, UNESCO and WFUNA. A poster was widely circulated from March onwards.

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP SCHOOLS (GCS) PROGRAM

Nineteen schools were members of the program at 30 June (one junior primary school K-3; four primary schools K-6; eight K-12 colleges; five secondary schools 7-12; one senior college). GCEd Champions in the six new members received a School Membership Kit. In addition to WFUNA, UNAA and UNAAWA newsletters, our school champions receive several emails each term related to GCEd. We rely on these teachers to circulate information to others in their school community.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP (PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATION) PROGRAM

This full-day education program in Parliament House is for selected students from UNAA Global Citizenship Schools. The program focuses on citizenship – local to global, as well as leadership



and project management skills related to the SDGs. An evaluation survey of 41 students and teachers from the 10 participating schools attending the first program (3 November 2016) indicated strong levels of agreement that intended outcomes were achieved:

- Increased understanding of the parliamentary system (Students and Teachers 6 on a 7 point Likert Scale)
- Increased understanding of citizenship and leadership (Students 6.2 and Teachers 6.8)
- Increased readiness to lead a UN project in the school (Students 6.2 and Teachers 6.8)
- Opportunities for networking with students from other GCS (Students 6.2 and Teachers 6.8)

One teacher commented: "My students are filled with positive and enthusiastic energy for their future. Wonderful to have something that reinforces the importance of leadership on a local and global level."

UNAANA EDUCATION RESOURCES BANK

All of the 24 resources linking the work and ideals of the UN with relevant parts of the WA school curriculum were reviewed and several updated. Information included in these resources is either based on or drawn directly from UN publications. To promote teacher use they were made freely available through the UNAANA website. It is highly desirable to develop the website so that it is possible to monitor use and gather teacher feedback.

1. Provide a UN perspective on contemporary global issues
2. Simplify complex information from UN website, normally requiring time consuming navigation
3. Conceptualise information in a logical flow of ideas aligned with the WA (Australian) Curriculum
4. Present complex concepts and information in a way that is accessible to school students
5. Provide a 'stand-alone' package of information and ideas that is readily used by teachers

A new Teacher Support document was prepared linking key aspects of the UNESCO international model for GCEd to the WA curriculum for years 3 to 12. The UNESCO model provides the foundation for OECD testing of *Global Competence* commencing in the 2018 *PISA* (Program of International Student Assessment).

A prototype digital skills record, called the UNAANA *Global Skills Passport*, was also designed to promote project-based learning, based on authentic SDG projects and four of the General Capabilities of the school curriculum – *Personal and Social Capability, Intercultural Understanding, Ethical Understanding, Critical and Creative Thinking*. Further development will be through the partnership with Curtin Learning Futures.

UNAANA SCHOOL SPEAKER PROGRAM

Implementation of the UNAANA School Speaker Program commenced in 2016/17. Four members made formal presentations to school students with very positive feedback. Several students wrote in evaluation feedback: "Speakers were inspiring and informative." "Found it very inspiring!"

CHILDREN'S WEEK FAMILY FRIENDLY DAY STALL

The UNAAWA stall on Sunday 23 October 2016 successfully attracted several hundred children to walk along our SDG Path. Giveaways included a Peace Dove mandala donated by *Run Mouse Run* and UNAAWA stickers.



Student leaders at UNAAWA Global Citizenship Session, Parliament House West Perth

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Priority was given to building mutually beneficial collaborative partnerships with common interest groups – UNAA Queensland, Political and Legal Educators' Association of WA (PLEAWA), One World Centre (OWC), UN Youth, Association of Independent Schools of WA (AISWA), Museum of Freedom and Tolerance, Hope Program, Multicultural Association WA, Sustainable Schools Alliance WA, and Curtin Learning Futures program. Meetings were held with representatives of each group. A Memorandum of Understanding with Curtin Learning and Teaching will be negotiated. AISWA, Curtin Learning and Teaching and the UNESCO Chair of Data Science in Higher Education Learning and Teaching kindly agreed to sponsor Awards programs for schools related to the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

GLOBAL CHALLENGES PRIZE

The *Global Challenges Foundation* based in Stockholm is running a worldwide conversation to find models for international decision-making capable of addressing risks facing humanity (a global governance model). The competition is not looking for blueprints to avert specific risks. UNAAWA joined the global conversation at the end of May with the goal of preparing an entry and submitting it by the deadline of 30 September 2017. A Steering Committee of six Executive members oversaw the process and an Ideas Group formed. A Briefing Session held on 26 May outlined the parameters of the competition and recommended a stepped process including: start with what works well in UN governance; use crowdsourcing platforms to generate ideas; synthesise ideas on limitations reducing UN effectiveness; brainstorm divergent solutions to agreed problems; capture the voices of young people; and workshop a draft to achieve consensus on a submission.

2017/18 PRIORITIES:



- Maintain existing programs and involve members in promoting them in their local schools;
- Increase the number of schools participating in the Yolande Frank Art Awards in 2017;
- Increase the number of member schools in the Global Citizenship Schools network;
- Develop and maintain the education resources and school speaker programs;
- Implement at least one student leadership seminar in Parliament House;
- Implement processes for selecting finalists and trophy winners for Awards programs;
- Develop for Curtin Learning Futures endorsement a GCEd program focused on authentic learning SDG projects and students' progressive learning of skills underpinning targeted General Capabilities;
- Embrace opportunities for engagement with teachers through professional learning programs;
- Lead the opportunity for members to participate in a global conversation about strengthening global governance and submit an entry into the Global Challenges Prize by the deadline of 30 September 2017



Rees Barrett
UNAANA Education Reference Group Convener



ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

2016 - 2017 has been a successful year for the Environment Committee. The Committee hosted/co-hosted a number of events across all four of the Committee's core focus areas, which are Oceans, Forestry, Climate Change and Agriculture.

In October 2016, the Environment Committee hosted a World Food Day seminar focusing on ending hunger, achieving food security and promoting nutrition and sustainable agriculture as it relates to Western Australia.

In June 2017 the Committee, led by Ocean Portfolio Lead Kirsty Symmons, hosted a beach clean to celebrate World Oceans Day. This well attended event was co-hosted with Sea Shepard.

In July 2017, the Committee, led by Forest Portfolio Lead Isaac Lorca, organised a seminar highlighting the importance of protecting, restoring and promoting the sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably managing forests, combating desertification and halting and reversing land degradation and biodiversity loss.

In August 2017, the Committee led by Climate Change Portfolio Lead Caroline Perks, in conjunction with the Conservation Council of WA and Climate Reality Australia, organised a fundraiser screening of Al Gore's new documentary, 'An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power', the sequel to his 2006 Oscar winning documentary 'An Inconvenient Truth.'

This year, the Committee has also established a fifth core focus area - Built Environments. Valentina Petrone has been appointed as the Built Environment Portfolio Lead. On September 27th, the Committee will be hosting its first Built Environment Event - a seminar which explores the topic of Sustainable Cities and Communities.

There have also been a number of resignations and new appointments to the Committee this year. Siobhán Jennings resigned as Chair of the Committee. Masuka Rahman, Agriculture Portfolio Lead and Kirsty Symmons, Oceans Portfolio Lead have also resigned. We would like to thank Siobhán, Masuka and Kirsty for their dedication, hard work and the outstanding contributions which they have made to this committee and the UNAAWA.



Beatrice Hamilton has been appointed as the new Chair of the Committee and Terry Visser has been appointed as Vice Chair.

The Committee has also undergone a number of structural changes which include the appointment of two Communications managers, Georgia Braund and Lucy Clark. Linelle Fields, who is the Committee's Secretary has also taken on the role of Partnership Management.

The Committee would like to thank UNAAWA members for their continued support and look forward to another successful and fruitful year.



Beatrice Hamilton
Convener – Environment Committee



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

2016 HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

On 8 December 2016, the UNAAWA celebrated Human Rights Day 2016 by hosting a panel of inspiring speakers who discussed human rights and provided insight into the experience of refugees and asylum seekers. This interactive event was hosted at the Perth office of King and Wood Mallesons law firm. The event sought to celebrate and explore the economic, cultural, social and environmental gains which follow effective resettlement of humanitarian entrants.

The event was attended by almost 100 people with a desire to be better informed as to the challenges faced in ensuring all can enjoy these fundamental freedoms. In the lively open session which followed there was considerable debate on how events such as Human Rights Day can be used to highlight the challenges facing individuals and societies in realising the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

It was also recognised that there were huge economic, cultural, social and environmental gains to be made by those nations who embraced and practiced these principles – especially with respect to the treatment of refugees and Asylum seekers.

UNAA NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME

Following the announcement of WA leading the National Human Rights Program our focus has been on developing resources and establishing partnerships and collaborations with other organizations and companies:

Focus Areas

1. Human Rights Program Seminar Series – (Café Series)
2. The achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Agenda 2030
3. Refugees
4. Social Justice
5. Gender Equality and the Economic Empowerment of Women and Girls with a particular focus on the 165 days of activism

Resources under development

1. Refugee Myth buster
2. Design Challenge competition
3. Info booklet for each of the five focus areas
4. Stakeholder Engagement Plan & Draft Memorandum of Understanding
5. School Educational Package – SDG's and Human Rights



REFUGEE SUB-COMMITTEE

This subcommittee is creating an educational resource that provides people with accurate information that is framed in a way that is relatable and engages people with different worldviews. The focus is on a linear narrative about refugees' experience and creating positive personal contact experiences. In addition, they are developing a practical tool for refugees newly arrived in Perth and the resources that they can access here.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUB-COMMITTEE

Plans are underway to host a Human Library as a possible inspiration or project.



Fadzi Whande
Convener – Human Rights Committee



INTERNATIONAL REPORT

This year has seen the UN experience amongst its greatest challenges, highlighting the importance of its global leadership role, its core values, and its sustainability and peace agendas. Harmonious relationships in Human Rights, Corporate Social Responsibility, Peace, sustainability and equity appear as distant as ever before in bridging geographical and social mind sets. We are subject to a world, among other things, in continued conflict with itself and in the process creating humanitarian issues never contemplated previously. Our core UNAAWA values are integral in advancing the message of United Nations to assist in delivering a better, sustainable and peaceful world.

In the past year our Global Representative attended and reported on the following:

- Attended in New York the UN Climate Change discussions on the Paris Agreement;
- Attended US Armistice Day 11th November 2016;
- Met with Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AO, Patron of UNAAWA;
- Met with UK and Italian consuls, Messrs Andrew Beveridge and David Balloni respectively;
- Attended ANZAC Day Services, 25th April 2016;
- Attended RSL State Congress, 15th July 2017: Yet another reminder that we must never forget the sacrifices made by the veterans from Naval, Military, and Airforce and of course do our part to preserve peace;
- Attended Vietnam Veterans' Regional Honour Day Service, 20th August 2017:
- Met with UNA-UK in London: An open discussion with the Outreach and Campaign Delegate on the differences between UNAAWA and UNA-UK and better ways to make our organisations more effective;

Additionally, reports were submitted on:

- International Day of UN Peacekeepers, 29th May 2017: Taking time to remember the 3,400 UN peacekeepers who have lost their lives in the pursuit of preserving mankind's greater right of peace.
- Veteran's Day.
- World Environment Day, 5th June and World Ocean Day, 8th June 2017: A reminder to share a special moment to reflect on the oceans and their living habitat and that we are all custodians of our planet and leaving this legacy to future generations is not a job or career but a calling, a human social responsibility that we should proudly enhance.
- North Korea: A Wave of Insecurity and Threatened Peace to Southern and Northern Hemispheres – A Serious Escalating Crisis Looms. We must all pray that a peaceful resolution is found to the North Korean crisis.
- Australian Foreign Aid: Including two articles discussing the opinions of Australians and Australia's foreign aid contributions.

In summary, the year saw the election of a new American President, Trump, a new UN Secretary-General Guterres, and new governments in Australia, Britain and France. At home



amongst other things we had to deal with the challenges of affordable housing, major government deficits, energy, unemployment and same sex marriage.

The 8 Millennium Development Goals and their successors, the Sustainable Development Goals – all aimed at alleviating the root cause of global poverty and to put the globe on a path to sustainability - have progressed favourably. Much has advanced and there is now a greater awareness from the wealthy countries to share the equilibria of wealth with poorer nations. Global alliances such as NATO are somewhat weakened and threatened due to political agendas.

Continuing wars and conflict in Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, Sudan, Gaza, Palestine, and North Korea amongst others, continue and are considered to be a serious threats to global peace, humanity and place an enormous strain on resources. The refugee crises sparked by this conflict present major humanitarian, political and social challenges for societies, economies and the United Nations in particular.

The UNFCCC Paris Agreement was hailed as an important milestone in the reduction of climate changing emissions and the management of their impacts. In addition, UNEP agreements which advocate protection of natural land systems, oceans, air, terrestrial systems and endangered species are now receiving high priority.

It is hoped that eventually this recognition of the interconnectedness of systems and societies will move us to a greater world peace and the realisation of the desire of each individual to live their lives in harmony, free from persecution no matter colour, creed or religion as proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Finally, the dedicated voluntary work from our UNAAWA Executives, Committees and Team Members in enshrining the core values of UN is and has been a widely respected and successful journey. The continued membership growth shows a commitment to sustain the organisation's future. From our side of the globe, we are doing our small part: it's the small steps in our journey that takes us to the destination. To quote from Antonio Guterres' maiden speech at the Security Council: "We must all work proactively to prevent wars for the sake of humanity".



Joseph A Caruso

UNAAWA International Representative



PARTNERSHIP & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

In 2017 we reaffirm our commitment to advocating support for the UN in the WA community and demonstrated with internal and external stakeholders why the UN matters to people everywhere.

To raise awareness of the United Nations goals and promote effectively through the work of the UNAAWA, this year's efforts have been in formalizing the process by which potential partners are reached, improving our marketing and communication collaterals for outreach purposes, establishing contacts and relationships with local organisations while ensuring our fundraising efforts live up to the values of the United Nations.

The goals set for 2017 were:

- a) Increase the visibility of the UNAAWA and through it the work of the United Nations to the people of Western Australia;
- b) Raise funds in excess of AUD \$50,000 for 2017;

To achieve these goals, the UNAAWA have undertaken the following:

1. Expressed its appreciation to the work of the various committees which have been instrumental in setting up the various events through which the UNAAWA reaches out to the community;
2. Expressed its gratitude to the members of the UNAAWA for the contribution they have made to our cause by dedicating their time and efforts, the responsibility they voluntarily assumed for the outreach to their friends, families, colleagues and community; and welcomed the assurance they have given the Executive Committee that they will continue to support the organization to the best of their abilities;
3. Created formal process and the supporting documentation with which to reach out to potential partners, enabling the scalability of our work, increase the reach and visibility of the UNAAWA and therefore attracting high-profile members of the public necessary to generate future interests to our causes;
4. An advisory team named the Partnership & Sponsorship Committee, has been set up streamline and coordinate cross-committee partnership and fundraising efforts for the UNAAWA. The following materials have been developed to enhance such initiatives:
 - A sponsorship pack was drafted for dissemination with potential partners to introduce to them the aims, strengths and achievements of the UNAAWA. This included short introduction and history of the Organization, Committees overview and structure, a list of achievements of the UNAAWA with fact and figures, a list of current needs of the Organization, and an invitation to support the UNAAWA with an included tier level list and benefits to donor;
 - Established rules for selecting potential partners and donors under the UNAA guidelines;
 - Created and consolidated number of grants applications to grants awarding bodies,



- Drafted templates to use when signing Memoranda of Understanding or Letter of Support with third parties;
- Created a consolidated database of potential partners and sponsors, in funds or in-kind contribution which each committee would approach, aligning with planned initiatives and resource required for the year.

5. Engaged representatives from all sub-committees to attend the Partnership & Sponsorship meetings to raise issues, share ideas and exchange fundraising efforts across the organisation. Committees' progress are also tracked towards planned/agreed activities and results. Team efforts were updated against milestones for support and resources required for the next step.

6. Authorised the Partnership & Sponsorship Committee, in consultation with the Executive Committee, to negotiate on behalf of the UNAAWA with potential partners in the drafting of the aforementioned documents;

7. Instructed & uploaded all final and working documents to a shared online resource depository (i.e. Dropbox) which can be accessed by the standing Committees of the UNAAWA when drafting their outreach and stakeholder's engagement plans;

8. Instructed all committee members to use the final documents during Executive Committee meetings when reaching out to potential donors and partners, thus ensuring consistency in our message and branding, transparency in our expectations and commitments of the various community and organisational members.

Below is a list of partnerships and engagements formed by the Partnership & Sponsorship team in 2017.

UNIVERSITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

EXECUTIVE-LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

Curtin University of Technology - "View from the Top" Forum Series

John Curtin Institute of Public Policy

FACULTY-LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

Curtin Graduate School of Business – Provided Letter of Support and joined as an organisational member

Curtin School of Law

Curtin School of Humanities, International Relations

UWA School of Humanities, Social Science & Music – Co-badging 2017 Women in Asia Conference

STUDENT-LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

Young Professionals in International Affairs (YPIA)

Curtin Marketing Association (CMA) – Internship provision & Co-badging at the IdeaGen event.



Curtin Economics Society and Curtin Wall Street Club – Co-badging 2018 Sustainability talk with Synergy

Curtin Bangladeshi Student Association

UWA Faculty of Arts, Business, Law & Education – Communications & Media

University Chapters at Curtin, UWA, and Murdoch may be established in 2018. Student representatives have been identified and initiatives will take form in either Orientation week stand or Model UN Conference development.



Dr Steve Lennon speaking at Curtin’s “View from the Top” Series



Dr Sandy Chong speaking at Curtin University of Technology to undergraduates



Co-badging event with the Curtin Marketing Association (CMA) & KPMG

LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) – Co-badging in future event

GovHack – Co-badging in future event

GlobalMindEd Asia Pacific – Provided Letter of Support

Multicultural Association of WA (WAMA)

LOCAL FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

King & Wood Mallesons, venue sponsor for Human Right’s day event

Parmelia Hilton Hotel – venue sponsor for Volunteers & Members evenings

GoCasual - volunteer recruitment firm – CEO Joined as member

Ashursts- legal advisers provided invaluable pro bono support to our Organisational Review

Chevron - to be added to our events calendar which they will send to employees

Woodside- to be added to our events calendar which they will send to employees

GOVERNMENTS & RELATED BODIES

Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT)

Office of Multicultural Interests (OMI)

City of Melville

Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA)

Local Government Manager Association (LGMA)



Dr Sandy Y L Chong

Vice-President (Ordinary members), Chair of Partnership & Sponsorship Committee



CONSULATE GENERAL AND CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OFFICES REPORT

Meetings were held with the following Consuls, Consulate Representatives and Chamber of Commerce to enhance awareness about the role of the UNAA WA, promote sponsorships, partnerships and participation in programs and UN Day event, assist and participate as guest speakers at proposed Diversity WA forums planned for future events. Through these forums we aim to raise awareness about the role of Consulates, environmental, social and economic factors relating to the countries they represent, explore collaborative partnerships and promote social cohesion.

Argentinian Chamber of Commerce

Honorary Consul of Slovak Republic

Consul of Consulate General of India

Consul General of Malaysia

Deputy Consul of Vietnam

Consul Representative of Italian Consulate



Maria Bunn
Vice President (Organisations)



WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

Over the course of 2016/2017, the Women's Committee has grown to nine passionate members, who have engaged with representatives of community groups, LGAs and tertiary institutions. Katryna Douglas and Dorinda Cox stepped down as co-conveners in March, succeeded by Lara Silbert, with Lauren Chambers and Rachel Grove acting as deputy conveners.

The Committee's objectives for this year involved promotion of women's economic empowerment and leadership, and preventing gender-based violence. Members meet monthly, sharing progress and working towards the committee's strategic focuses for the 2016/2017 period: understanding key issues facing the women of WA, engaging with representatives of the broader community, understanding the ecosystem and creating foundations from which to collaborate for impact.

WOMEN IN HIGHER EDUCATION: IMPACT AND CHALLENGES EVENT

In July 2017, the UNAAWA Women's Committee partnered with Curtin Graduate Business School to host Robin McClellan (CEO, Leadership WA and former Executive Director of CEDA), Luisa Wing (founder, Vermelho and former CEO, Community West), Dr Suzanne Goodman (founder, 9 Dragons Coaching & Training and former Policy Advisor for the Ministry of Education Fiji and AusAid) and Aleisha Godenzie (Change Manager, WA Police).

UNAAWA Vice President Dr Sandy Chong moderated this panel, themed on the impact of higher education on the personal and professional journeys of these extraordinary WA women, challenges they have faced on those journeys and advice for women considering postgraduate study. The panellists offered their insights on barriers to women's leadership in Western Australia, their own personal experiences of the benefits of postgraduate study and its value in closing the gender pay gap, their impressions of barriers to gender equality in business culture, impostor syndrome, confidence-building, and the importance of self-care.

The UNAA-WA has entered into a partnership with Curtin University which the Women's Committee intends to build on with future events in the coming year; themes being considered include Women in Social Enterprise, and creating workplace environments that are more conducive to women's leadership.

VISIT TO THE GRACEVILLE CENTRE

Convener Lara Silbert and deputy convener Lauren Chambers visited the women's refuge associated with the Path of Hope Foundation, the Graceville Centre, and spoke to outreach violence worker Tina Hudson about the challenges that victims of family and domestic violence experience both in leaving and in recovery. Lara and Lauren learned about the mentoring program offered to children and youth at the Centre, as well the women-to-women mentoring program which was in the process of being established at the time, empower women to go from surviving to thriving.



Angel Chen, Robin McClellan, Luisa Wing, Suzanne Goodman, Lauren Chambers, Sandy Chong, Aleisha Godenzie, Lara Silbert, Natasha Smith - Joint event with Curtin Graduate School of Business on Women in Higher Education & Leadership event.

FACILITATION AT WOMEN IN ASIA CONFERENCE

The Women’s Committee will be providing three facilitators in September for the 2017 Women in Asia conference, an international conference hosted for the first time in Perth this year (at the University of Western Australia). The particular thematic focus of this year’s conference is gender-based violence, and the facilitators will be hosting break-out sessions to bring together the knowledge and experience of the delegates in order to discuss challenges and solutions.

PRESENTATION AT KIS4LIFE EVENTS, AND AT UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Acting co-conveners Rachel and Lauren spoke at two events for the sustainable mental health organisation Kis4Life, as well as presenting to a class of over 300 students of a postgraduate Marketing class at UWA, about the work of the UNAAWA and the specific goals and work of the Women’s Committee. The Marketing class will be carrying out a marketing exercise in which the UNAAWA is among several organisations that the students can choose to focus on.



LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Women's Committee is exploring the possibility of launching a leadership program for young women next year, with experienced leadership facilitator Alicia Curtin of Alyceum. The City of Joondalup has offered a letter of support for this program.

GENDER EQUALITY PROMOTION AWARD

As part of the UN Day Awards to be announced at the UN Day Gala Evening, the Women's Committee organised a Gender Equality Promotion Award to celebrate the work by advocates of gender equality and women's rights to promote a more gender-equitable Western Australia.



Lara Silbert
Convener – Women's Committee



UNAA YOUNG PROFESSIONALS REPORT

The UNAA YP WA Network has undergone a period of consolidation over the past few months and is now entering a period of growth, with the appointment of several new executive members in critical roles. The focus for the WA chapter of the network is to continue a focus on sustainable and positive partnerships with the UNAA YP national network, the UNAAWA state division, UN Youth and other related community stakeholders. To continue on this journey, the YP in WA has focused on the hosting a series of pivotal events to increase education and awareness in the WA Young Professionals community. Please find these events outlined below. Over the next 6-12 months, the UNAA YP WA team will be continuing to work with the National executive to operationalise the National Strategy in the key areas of governance, programs, communications and partnerships.

MAKE YOUR IMPACT

On Thursday 4th May 2017, the UNAA YP WA hosted 'Make your impact'. This sold out panel style event, included hearing motivating stories from inspirational speakers about the impact they have had on their world. Herbert Smith Freehills kindly provided the venue for the speakers below to share their journeys with the attendees. Guest Speakers included: Jenny Mackay-Kukura, Leader Crew Development, Virgin Australia, Darren Lomman, Executive Office, Bloom, Natasha Venables, Senior Project Officer, Red Cross and Brant Garvey, Professional Speaker, NoXcuses Group.

CONVERSATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY: THINK GLOBAL, ACT LOCAL ON MIGRATION

Every year all over the world, countless parents flee war and conflict in their homeland. Desperate and with few options, they search for safety, and a future free of danger, for their children. On Wednesday 26th July 2017, the UNAA YP WA partnered with Red Cross to host this sold-out event. The event aimed to challenge participants thinking on migration through learning and contributing to open discussions, as part of the Social Impact Festival. Participants gained a better understanding on the local and global movement of people, and how the contribution of migrants to our community shapes our diverse and vibrant society.

KEY OPPORTUNITIES, RISKS AND ISSUES

- Recruitment for core roles is now complete at a national level and the YP Network in WA will operate to leverage the increase in specialized support. This will enable the WA Network to focus on key education and awareness campaigns, whilst the national executive assist in the development of key policies and resources with a particular focus on governance, before a further expansion next year.
- The WA YP Network will focus on adopting the new national financial management platform and approach. This new platform will further assist the overall governance and operation of the committee.



- Membership will be a key focus at the local level and a focus will be on creating clearer recruitment processes. The new YP National Operations Executive will begin developing a best practice policy and resources in consultation with the local teams to set up this system.
- The WA YP team will continue to support a move to a more central national membership platform. This will be particularly useful to support the development of a national database of members. The YP WA Network will also renew its emphasis on opportunities and programs to 'add value' to our members.



Neesha Seth
WA Lead – Young Professionals (WA)

UN DAY COMMITTEE

UN DAY 2016

Government House Ballroom was full of smiles and goodwill as over 100 people gathered to celebrate UN Day. The 2016 theme honoured multiculturalism and featured traditional Russian and Chinese dances, an Aboriginal choir, a Greek instrumentalist, as well as a soprano and pianist performance. The Welcome to Country by Marie Taylor set the tone for the evening and was followed by the UN Day Message by UNAAWA President Dr Steve Lennon. Guests were treated to key note speeches from Ms Andrea Gleason, Director WA State Office Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Dr Nonja Peters, Director of History of Migration, Curtin University. A diverse mix of community and multicultural representatives attended including Ding Shao Ping, President of Chung Wah Association Inc, Rebecca Ball Executive Director of the Office of Multicultural Interests, and Uni Mook, Director Hojumadang Group Korean Culture and Language Exchange Group. The event was well supported by members from a range of organisations including the City of Perth, Curtin University and Graduate School of Business, National Australia Bank and Harvard Club Australia. The UNAAWA would like to sincerely thank each of the speakers, performers, organisers, guests and volunteers for contributing to a successful event. Special thanks to our event partners the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Australian Institute of International Affairs, and the Western Australian Multicultural Association, as well as event supporters the Government House Foundation and Luciola. Particular thanks go to the UNAAWA organising committee under the able leadership of Dr Sandy YL Chong, for their commitment and dedication in arranging and executing such an excellent event.



Keith Yong, Irek Kucy, Dr Sandy Chong, Ding Shao Ping, Dr Steve Lennon, Carlyne Gatward Kay Hallahan, Parissa Jalali, Maria Bunn, Fadzi Whande, Neesha Seth, Anastasios Karamintzas.



UN DAY 2017

The arrangements for UN Day 2017 are well underway and this year promises to be a milestone event for UNAANA. With the generous support of Lotterywest, DFAT, Government House, Le Cordon Bleu, Brightsidelive Audio Visual Events and our team of dedicated volunteers this year's event will be held on 27 October 2017.



UN Day Committee 2017

This year for the first time we will be honouring Western Australians from various walks of life who have made a special contribution to our focus areas of – Education, Human Rights, Women, Environment and Volunteering in support of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The evening will feature addresses by our Patron, Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AC, Governor of Western Australia, the Deputy Premier of WA, the Hon Roger Cook MLA, Minister for Health and Mental Health and UNAANA President Dr Steve Lennon. The programme will be introduced by the welcome to country by Dr. Richard Walley OAM and complemented by live performances from various local artists and featuring winners of our inaugural UNAANA awards.



Vanida Lennon
Convener - UN Day 2017 Organising Committee



VOLUNTEERS COORDINATOR REPORT

VOLUNTEER RESOURCE CENTRE

During 2017 meetings of the Volunteer Resource Centre [VRC], were attended at Drabble House, Nedlands. The meetings were an important conduit between various volunteer run NGOs. As UNAAWA is now registered on the VRC network, regular attendance should be re-established in future.

MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEER EVENINGS.

Several very successful “Discover UNAA” events were conducted at Claisebrook Lotteries House. These were designed to attract new volunteers and members. Emily Oliveira successfully hosted these evenings. Several Executive members attended to provide information on volunteering opportunities. These evenings were converted into a series of highly successful “Members and Volunteer” evenings at the Hilton Parmelia Hotel, Perth. This venue was arranged as a result of the efforts of Alanna Murphy. Both Brian McHenry and Alanna did an excellent job in arranging these evenings.

EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE

Lindsay Dorman was invited to participate in an International Relations Conference as the UNAAWA representative at Edith Cowan University. Former Australian diplomat Dr Sue Boyd and Liz Nedala-Campbell from the US Consulate were also on the panel. UNAA pamphlets were left with interested students.

OFFICE VOLUNTEER HANDBOOK

The Office Volunteer Handbook was completed as a working document. Office Volunteer, Brittany Quy was invaluable in assessing our needs. The UNAA [Victoria Division] Volunteer Handbook was used as a template.

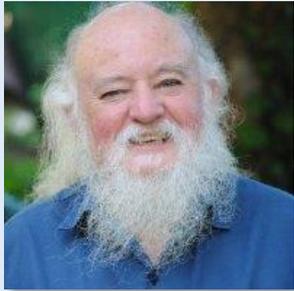
OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Our Office in Claisebrook Lotteries House, provides UNAAWA members and interested stakeholders with a place where you can learn more about the Association and the United Nations. Visitors are always welcome to call or email us with any queries. During the year, the office has been regularly staffed on three days of the week: Monday (Curtis Clark), Thursday (Harvey Davies) and Friday (Lindsay Dorman). Other office volunteers have included Amanda Lauria, Bronwyn Fraser and Brittany Quy.

Office volunteers are always welcome and any members are urged to contact the President if they are interested. Curtis Clark represents the Association on the Claisebrook Lotteries House (CLH) Management Committee and his ongoing support in this role is sincerely appreciated. In coming phone calls are not as common these days, with people preferring to use email, however the phone and message bank still remain very important in the daily office procedures.



Visitors to the office are principally those with appointments, for example new volunteers seeking advice on where they are best suited in the Association. Having the front door opened only by remote control from the office allows the office volunteer total discretion as to who enters the building' CLH has provided each tenant with security instructions in an emergency. These instructions, as well as those for any health emergency, are posted in the office for easy reference. Office equipment is adequate for the task – but plans to update our printer will be necessary in the near term. A volunteer Office Manager is being considered to oversee all operations of the Office to ensure smooth running, coordination of Volunteers and good governance and record keeping. An Office Volunteers' Manual has been produced and adopted in order to ensure consistent service to members and ease of hand over to new volunteers.



Lindsay Dorman
Volunteer Coordinator



FINANCIAL REPORTS 2016/2017

AUDIT REPORT

United Nations Association of Australia Western Australian Division

2017 Audit report

Statement of significant accounting policies

The attached financial reports of the United Nations Association of Australia WA Division (The Association) have been prepared to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the WA Associations Incorporation Act 2015. The Association is not a reporting entity and accordingly no International Accounting Standards, urgent issues, consensus views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

Audit Report

The accompanying financial reports of the Association show an operating surplus for the 12 months to 30 June 2017 of \$3,768.01. The net assets as at 30 June 2017 were \$10,212.0. The net assets are mainly cash at bank \$23,447.32 less special purpose funds of \$10,164.83 shown under Current Liabilities.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the Association including the movements in Special Purpose Accounts report present fairly the assets and liabilities at 30 June 2017 and the income and expenditure of the Association for the year then ended.

The bookkeeping this year was well done and of a far better standard than the quite inadequate records of previous years. The reports presented to me were professional and I was not required to make the many adjustments as with previous years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Illidge', is located above the printed name of the auditor.

Peter Illidge FCPA FCIS FGIA MBA
Auditor UNAAWA
22 July 2017



STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

For year ending 30 June 2017

Profit and Loss	2016/2017	2015/2016
Trading Income		
Guide to U.N. Event	3,054	
Indigenous Day Event	1,118	
Peace Day Event	909	
UN Day Event	7,269	7,605
UNAAWA Womens Committee Event		2,496
World Humanitarian Day		1,381
Climate talks event		909
Total Trading Income	12,350	12,391
Cost of Sales		
Guide to U.N Expenses	1,367	
Indigenous Day Expenses	674	
Membership Event	205	
Peace Day Expenses	1,050	
UN Day Expense	3,496	4,664
UNAAWA Womens Committee Event		2,330
World Humanitarian Day		909
Total Cost of Sales	6,791	7,903
Gross Profit	5,559	4,488
Other Income		
Donations	346	302
Interest	72	84
Subscriptions	6,818	4,599
Sundry Income	160	541
Total Other Income	7,397	5,526
Operating Expenses		
Federal Levy	920	610
Internet Expenses	734	1,292
Members Amenities	123	-
Membership Expense	90	45
Office Supplies & Equipment	1,066	1,874
Postage	89	64
Printing & Stationery	845	277
Rent	4,143	4,318
Sundry Expense	74	200
Telephone	410	64
Tidy HQ Charges	156	52
Trybooking Fees	200	50
Xero Accounting Fees	338	-
Total Operating Expenses	9,188	8,846
Net Profit	3,768	1,168



BALANCE SHEET

Balance Sheet As at 30 June 2017

	30 Jun 2017	30 Jun 2016
Assets		
Bank		
Cheque account	17,197	6,131
Telenet Saver	6,250	6,154
Total Bank	23,447	12,285
Current Assets		
Accounts Receivable	137	-
Outstanding Bank Receipts	166	-
Petty Cash	100	100
Total Current Assets	403	100
Total Assets	23,850	12,385
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Creditors	-	51
Education fund	2,268	3,835
Expense Accruals	34	-
GST	1,039	(139)
Organisation Development Grant	6,257	-
Unearned Income	2,400	-
Yolande Frank Art Award Fund	1,640	2,194
Total Current Liabilities	13,638	5,941
Total Liabilities	13,638	5,941
Net Assets	10,212	6,444
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	3,768	1,168
Retained Earnings	6,444	5,276
Total Equity	10,212	6,444