

**National Council of Self Insurers  
Report to ASIEQ General Meeting  
26 November 2014**

### **Background**

- ASIEQ executive and members voted to re-join as a member of the National Council of Self Insurers in September 2014
- Qld attended NCSI AGM on 5 September 2014, with mark Hopsick as the nominated representative of the ASIEQ membership.
- Mark Hopsick nominated and was elected secretary of the NCSI at the AGM and subsequently Executive Officer on the ASIEQ.

### **Current Membership**

Current associations that are financial members of the NCSI –

- Queensland
- South Australia
- NSW
- Victoria
- Tasmania
- Comcare
- ACC (NZ) – Observer
- WA are expected to re-join after their AGM in the new year
- ACT & NT do not have any formal associations.

### **Recent Meetings**

AGM in Melbourne on 5 September 2014 (minutes attached).

- Executive elected -
  - Denise Fishlock stepped down as Chair.
  - Chair – John Kirwan (Tasmania)
  - Deputy Chair – Robin Shaw (South Australia)
  - Secretary – Mark Hopsick (Queensland)
  - Treasurer – Glenn Mitchem (Victoria)

General meeting in Brisbane on 7 November 2014.

- ASIEQ executive members of ASIEQ and NCSI met on the evening before the general meeting for dinner and to be introduced and discuss issues.
- NCSI conference on the agenda for potentially November 2015 at Twin Waters.
  - Feasibility to be done;
  - Each member to be tasked with sourcing themes / topics / presenters.
  - Do not want to clash with any other conferences being held by members. More information to come.
- NCSI representation on the Permanent Impairment TAG.

- Review of Constitution & Conflict of Interest Policy
- National PI Guides are being developed by SWA, which NCSI have concerns with as they don't align to the guides used in many states including Qld.
- National RTW statistics and report discussed.
- Minutes to be sent to associations once finalised and Qld executive consulted on PI Guides.
- The March conference will be promoted to the other member associations – Rod Knights to provide..

### Activity

- The main areas of activity have focussed on finalising the recommendations from the DLD review and report. The outstanding items were –
  - Constitution and Rules (including the Conflict of Interest Policy);
  - Strategic Direction.

Constitution and Rules - have been finalised and are in the process of final sign off. These will be circulated to all member associations for an out of session agreement for sign off by the associations.

**Action** - MH to provide a copy to executive at next executive meeting for review and endorsement upon approval.

Strategic Direction – Currently being developed and input will be sort from the ASIEQ executive in 2015.

**Action** – MH to discuss with ASIEQ executive.

### Upcoming Meetings

- 20 February 2015 – Hobart (MH to phone in).
- 1 May 2015 – Sydney

### Marks Take on It

- Re-joining the NCSI will be beneficial to Queensland members due to the connection to other states and jurisdictional updates and legislative changes, which will benefit many members. Better to be in the tent.
- It provides another perspective to issues, submissions reports etc., that the member associations can utilise;
- The NCSI is committed to reinventing its purpose, direction and connection with the members and to ensure it remains relevant into the future.
- The purpose has been re-defined in the preamble of the Constitution to read –

*The Association is made up of such Federal, State and Territory self insurer associations as may be members from time to time. The purpose of the Association is to be the peak body representing self insurance in matters that bear on the strategic interests of self insurance at a national level.*

- The Objects of the Association are –
  - *To represent and express the views of self insurance at a national level;*
  - *Advocate for and promote the role of self insurance in Australia;*
  - *To provide a forum for the discussion of matters related to self insurance at a national level;*
  - *To inform its member associations of strategic national matters relevant to self insurance;*
  - *To provide, where appropriate, support to its members in developing submissions or representations on self insurance;*
  - *To make submissions or representations on behalf of its members o any issue affecting self insurance.*

***Note – the above are yet to be approved by the members***