



THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE NATIONAL LIBRARY AND INCLUDED AN OPEN INVITATION TO VIEW THE CURRENT EXHIBITION, THE LIFE OF PATRICK WHITE.

2011 Results: AGM

The Association's Annual General Meeting was held at the National Library of Australia on May 15th. The meeting included formal presentation of the Association's Annual Report and financial statements for the 2011 year (available at www.alia.org.au/publishing/annual-reports/2011_Annual_Report.pdf), which record a small financial surplus - the first to be achieved

by the Association in many years. Other highlights of 2011 include significant advocacy successes such as \$1.4m in funding for The National Year of Reading and \$1m in funding for The Library Initiative, which placed over 1200 playback devices in 175 libraries across the nation to assist the print disabled.

At this meeting, the Association farewelled two Board members, John Bayliss and Graham Black, and welcomed

three new members to the Board, Edmund Balnaves, Aileen Weir and Elke Dawson. President Margaret Allen concluded her year in the role and handed over to incoming President, Vanessa Little, and Julie Rae took up the reins as Vice-President.

The Board had received a number of motions to put to the meeting. While these were unsuccessful, the meeting agreed the process of forming and acceptance of Notices of Motion could be improved to assist members wishing to put motions in the future. Further information on this will be reported in a future issue of *INCITE*.

The meeting concluded with a special viewing of the National Library's exhibition The Life of Patrick White, enjoyed by all present. ALIA thanks the National Library of Australia for providing

us with this special opportunity to learn more of one of Australia's literary giants.

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EXHIBITION CURATOR MATTHEW JONES GAVE MEMBERS A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF PATRICK WHITE'S LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS BEFOREHAND



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