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FWPA gets strong endorsement from members

Forest & Wood Products Australia Limited (FWPA) appointed two new directors and passed a special resolution to amend its constitution at its second Annual General Meeting on Tuesday October 20 at the Melbourne Recital Centre.

Over 75 industry members attended the day's events which included an R&D ideas fair showcasing key R&D projects and their benefits to industry.

Mr Evan Rolley and Mr Mark Grey were appointed as two new non executive directors of FWPA.

"As with last year, there was a strong field of candidates for the director roles. The Director Selection Committee has chosen two independent directors with a skill set strong in corporate governance and marketing," said Mr Ron Adams, FWPA Chairman.

Evan Rolley is well known in the industry for his contribution to Tasmanian forestry having served as the Chief Commissioner for Forests and then Managing Director of Forestry Tasmania over a period of 16 years. He is currently a Director of Tasports and operates a successful farming business, Huon Valley Vineyards and is a qualified forester.

Mark Grey's family have been involved in sawmilling and timber merchant operations in Tasmania for five generations and he has continued the tradition of industry involvement through his advertising and marketing career. Currently Mr Grey is the Chief Executive, Queensland Eye Hospital and a non Executive Director of CPA Australia and the Independent Ophthalmic Network.

The special resolution to amend the constitution was passed unopposed, allowing FWPA to refine the company constitution to address ambiguities and omissions in the original document.

"The unopposed passing of the special resolution to amend the company constitution is a great endorsement of the board and management and it will allow FWPA to continue to improve on the delivery of services to members," said Mr Adams.

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About Forest and Wood Products Australia

FWPA aims to improve the competitiveness and sustainability of the Australian forest and wood products industry through innovation by investing in effective and relevant R&D and promotion of the industry's products, services and values. FWPA undertakes industry-level activities where a collective approach delivers more effective and valuable commercial outcomes than individual action. We deliver services that support the industry's capacity as a major exporter and mainstay of regional communities in many parts of Australia.

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Ideas Fair



Annual General Meeting



Australian Timber Design Awards

