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Australasian Society for General Relativity and Gravitation (ASGRG)

Treasurer's Report

The Society has a bank account with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA), and a PayPal account. The signatories to the bank account are Todd Oliynyk (former Treasurer) and Leo Brewin (former President). The balances in the two accounts over the last 2 years are as follows:

Date	СВА	PayPal	Total	Change
12/12/2019	\$10,702.93	\$5,305.76	\$16,008.69	
31/8/2021	\$10,702.93	\$5,305.76	\$16,008.69	No change

Since I was elected Treasurer at the 11th Biennial General Meeting, in December 2019, there have been discussions between Jörg Frauendiener (President), Leo, Todd, and myself as to how to transfer access to the bank account to Jörg and myself. Unfortunately, this would have required Jörg to be verified in person at a CBA branch in Australia, in order to then add myself and other co-signatories to the bank account. The Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent restrictions on travel made this impossible to accomplish.

The requirement for new signatories to be present at a CBA branch in Australia is clearly impractical for the Society, where we often have office holders not co-located in the same city or country. The Committee of the Society is currently exploring options to address the situation.

As I do not currently have access to the bank account, the most recent account balance I have is from a quarterly statement, supplied by Todd, ending on 31/8/2021, as reported above. I do have full access to the PayPal account. Financial reports have been supplied to the Auditor and are available on request.

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