

# **MINUTES of NOHANZ BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING**

Friday 21 October 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting held at Airport Commodore Hotel Christchurch

## **Present**

Ann Packer, Lynette Shum, Sue Monk, Belinda de Mayo, Marina Fontein, Denis Packer, Linda Evans, Anna Cotterell, Megan Hutching, Anna Green, Sharon Brown (Aus), Lily Lee, Alice Flett, Debbie Dunsford, Pip Oldham, Helen Frizzell, Loreen Brehaut, Jon Monk, Sue Berman, Liz Bradley, Penelope Dunkley, Ian Robertson, Elayne Robertson, Emily Anderson, Ruth Low, Jock Phillips, Limbo Tompson, Jacqui Foley, Stephen Buckland, Ruth MacEachern, Taina Mc Gregor

## **Welcome**

Ann Packer.

The meeting was Chaired by Linda Evans.

## **Apologies**

Judith Fyfe, Sue Gee, Rachel Selby, Paul Diamond, Grace Bateman, Caren Wilton, Linda Hepburn, Lyndon Fraser

## **Minutes of Biennial General Meeting Friday 19 September 2014**

Agreed as true and correct record. Moved - Penelope Dunkley / 2<sup>nd</sup> Lynette Shum  
Matters Arising – none.

## **President's Report**

Read by Ann Packer.

The report was accepted by members. Moved - Lynette Shum / 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Dunsford

## **Financial Report**

See:

1. Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2016
2. NOHANZ Treasurer's Report to 31 March 2016

Explained by Denis Packer.

Financial statement was presented as two sets of reviewed Annual Accounts.

## **2015**

The report was accepted by members. Report from Keith Duggan, Accountant.

Moved - Marina Fontein / 2<sup>nd</sup> Megan Hutching

## **2016 Financial and Statement of Financial Report**

The report was accepted by members. Report from Keith Duggan.

Moved - Helen Frizzell / 2<sup>nd</sup> Belinda de Mayo

## **Matters Arising from Financial Report: None**

## **Election of Executive Officers**

Ann Packer is stepping down from the role of President.

Denis Packer is stepping down as Treasurer but is available for transitional treasurer advice.

The remaining members have put their names forward to remain on the Executive:

Sue Monk – Secretary

Lynette Shum

Belinda de Mayo

Marina Fontein

Sue Gee

**Two written nominations were received prior to the meeting:** Drs Nepia Mahuika and Debbie Dunsford.

Nepia's typed statements were read; Brief Information about Nominee, Vision for Nohanz.

Debbie addressed the meeting, giving her background and offered to stand as Treasurer and Data Manager.

The following were elected:

President: Dr Nepia Mahuika

Secretary: Sue Monk

Treasurer: Dr Debbie Dunsford

Executive Committee:

Sue Gee

Marina Fontein - willing to stand down from Executive and be a co-opted member. See note below about Constitution.

Belinda de Mayo

Lynette Shum

Further nominations from the floor: None

Proposal that the Executive Committee number be increased. Topic to be voted on at next BGM.

It was observed that the Constitution wording is

(b) "The Committee shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, the immediate Past-President and three other members.

(h) The committee shall have powers to co-opt additional members as it deems fit."

Ruth Low is willing to be co-opted. Also Marina Fontein.

Scrutineer: not required as there was only one nomination per position and a closed vote was not required.

Accepted.

Biographies of new Executive will be circulated.

Ann Packer was thanked for her hard work and supportive leadership during the last two years. Her work as an organiser of this conference is greatly appreciated by all members.

Denis Packer was thanked for his attention to the accounts and for managing the database; both substantial and time-consuming roles. Our very sincere thanks.

## **General Business**

Megan Hutching asked “Are there plans for the \$21,000 in the bank?”

Ann Packer replied – There is an intention to interview founders of NOHANZ, namely Beverley Morris, Jock Phillips, Claudia Orange and Judith Fyfe. The Executive applied for funds from OH Grant in 2016, unsuccessful. Budgeted at \$11,000. Should incoming committee ring-fence the sum? New Executive to decide.

Denis Packer gave a note of caution – Having the conference in Christchurch has proven a financial challenge. NOHANZ is subsidising this conference.

Denis Packer – an amount has been ear-marked for regional groups. If the trend of having regional gatherings continues, this will be a worthwhile call on the funds.

Ann Packer – reminded the meeting that there is funding for Executive to meet once a year.

RAG expenses can be another demand on funds.

## **Meeting ended: 8.20pm**

It is anticipated the 2018 NOHANZ Conference will be held in the Waikato.

Sue Monk  
Secretary  
24 October 2016