

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION OF PSYCHOTHERAPISTS (INC.) HELD AT THE OVERSEAS TERMINAL, 1 HERD STREET, ORIENTAL BAY, WELLINGTON AT 4.00 PM ON SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2006

Paul Bailey opened the meeting by acknowledging the death of John Gamby, a loved and respected NZAP elder, and he asked those present to stand in silence. 'Farewell to John'.

Paul said that voting for the new Council members would take place following Item 6, Correspondence.

Paul said that two additional reports from the Supervision Committee and the Children's Issues Group would be presented to the A.G.M. following Item 11, the Annual Report from the Chair of the Ethics and Professional Standards Committee.

PRESENT:

Paul Bailey, Marijke Batenburg, Eileen Birch, Judi Blumenfeld Hoadley, Julianne Brabant, Cees Breuseker, Roz Broadmore, Jean Burnton, Margaret Butterfield, Rhona Carson, Garry Cockburn, Mary Cockburn, Lorraine Connolly, Liadan Cotter, Robert Crawford, Charlotte Daellenbach, Joan Dallaway, Colleen Davison, Louise de Lambert, Andrew Duncan, Virginia Edmond, Mary Farrell, Jonathan Fay, Josie Goulding, Sue Harris, Susan Hawthorne, Joy Hayward, Deborah Heays, Paul Hemmingsen, Suzanne Henderson, Gordon Hewitt, Robyn Hewland, Karen Humphris, Burke Hunter, Mary Jerram, Suzanne Johnson, Sue Joyce, Gabrielle Kearney, Beverly Kears, Lesley King, Martin Knight-Willis, Christine Lake, Geraldine Lakeland, Crea Land, Sheila Larsen, Rosalind Lewis, Walter Logeman, Susan Lugton, Sean Manning, Ruth Mather, Ainslie McDowall, Vanda McKerchar, Eric Medcalf, Gabriela Mercado, Shaneen Moloney, Judith Morris, Ann Nation, Paula O'Boyle, John O'Connor, Helen Packard, Jenny Packard, Jenny Pamplin, Sara Parsons, Pauline Pringle, Marianne Quinn, Kirsty Robertson, Diana Robinson, Rose Robinson, Marlyn Robson, Barbara Rockel, Linde Rosenberg, Rod Sandle, Barbara Smith, Cindy Smith, Judy Smyth, Margot Solomon Gavin Stansfield, Michael Trott, Ondra Williams, Mary Wilson, Sandra Winton, Chris Wood, Jeremy Younger, Diane Zwimpfer

APOLOGIES:

Olli Anttila, Stephen Appel, Annette Asher, Paul Baakman, Crispin Balfour, Margie Barr-Brown, Miranda Bolton, Gillian Bowie, Robyn Brinkman, Lesley Brokenshire, Sarah Calvert, Harry Cohen, Siobhan Collins, Sara Crane, Keith Crosby, Jan Currie, Wilson Daniel, Grant Dillon, Dale Dodd, Elisabeth Duncan, Susan Dunster, Elizabeth Farrands, Bill Farrell, Mary Fennessy, Pauline Findlay, Stephanie Forde, Barbara Fouhy, Susan Green, Jennifer Howarth, Peter Hubbard, Mary King, Gillian Mackay, Gerald Maclaurin, Nadia Madill, John McAlpine, Anne McDermott, Sally Miller, Gillian Moir, Marilyn Morgan, Nancy Morrow-Hogg, Carolyn Murray, Roger Mysliwicz, Sally Natan, Helen Palmer, Margaret Pearl, Brigitte Puls, Laetitia Puthenpadath, Barbara Reardon, Tony Reardon, Judith Robson, Jenny Rockel, Annie Rogers, Kay Ryan, Bede Stevens,

Peter Taylor, David Thomson, Kay Thomson, Mary Wagstaff, Cherry Wilson, Iona Winter, Dale Wiren, Karen Zelas

PROXY VOTES:

The following proxy appointments were recorded:

Paul Bailey was appointed	by	Laetitia Puthenpadath
Judi Blumenfeld Hoadley	by	Sally Miller
	by	Karen Zelas
Jean Burnton	by	Anne McDermott
Mary Cockburn	by	Elisabeth Duncan
	by	Nadia Madill
Lorraine Connolly	by	Margaret Pearl
Liadan Cotter	by	Grant Dillon
	by	Susan Dunster
	by	Stephanie Forde
	by	Gillian Mackay
	by	Dale Wiren
Colleen Davison	by	Annette Asher
Louise de Lambert	by	Gillian Bowie
	by	Mary King
Andrew Duncan	by	Pauline Findlay
	by	Peter Hubbard
	by	Helen Palmer
	by	Judith Robson
Mary Farrell	by	Bill Farrell
Jonathan Fay	by	Olli Anttila
Deborah Heays	by	Miranda Bolton
	by	Barbara Reardon
Lesley King	by	Dale Dodd
	by	Roger Mysliwicz
	by	Mary Wagstaff
	by	Iona Winter
Christine Lake	by	Crispin Balfour
Geraldine Lakeland	by	Kay Thomson
Crea Land	by	Lesley Brokenshire
	by	Tony Reardon
Helen Packard	by	Jennifer Howarth
	by	Elizabeth Farrands
	by	Sally Natan
Jennifer Pamplin	by	David Thomson
Linde Rosenberg	by	Susan Green
Judy Smyth	by	Brigitte Puls
Margot Solomon	by	Stephen Appel
Sandra Winton	by	Mary Fennessy
Jeremy Younger	by	Robyn Brinkman

NOTICES

Paul Bailey announced that Jenny Rockel, from Christchurch, had been awarded a Distinguished Service Award. Jenny was unable to be present at Conference and the Christchurch Branch would arrange the presentation of the Award to Jenny on behalf of the Association.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Paul Bailey said that he would formally like to acknowledge all those who had attained full membership of NZAP in 2005 and those who had become provisional members of NZAP in 2005. These members had been formally welcomed at the Celebration held on Thursday evening.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2005 AGM

Motion: That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 9 April 2005, which were published in the NZAP Newsletter of May 2005, be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Sheila Larsen
Carried

Seconded: Mary Cockburn

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence had been received.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Four positions were available for ordinary members of Council and six nominations had been received. Walter Logeman was standing for re-election to a second two-year term as a member of Council. Nominations had been received from Liadan Cotter, Auckland; Deborah Heays, Auckland; Suzanne Johnson, Wellington; Sue Joyce, Auckland; Walter Logeman, Christchurch and Marlyn Robson, Auckland. Each candidate was asked to stand and speak briefly about their wish to represent the membership on Council before members and provisional members present were asked to vote for four people. Voting then took place and two scrutineers retired to count the votes.

Motion: That after the scrutineers have counted the votes, all voting forms be destroyed.

Moved from the Chair
Carried

REPORTS

Copies of all reports to be presented to the Annual General Meeting, apart from the two additional reports from the Supervision Committee and the Children's Issues Group referred to above and the verbal report on Psychotherapy in the Public Sector, had been included in the Conference packs.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

Paul Bailey read his report to the meeting.

He reported that he had had three goals for NZAP when he assumed the Presidency two years ago. They were to hold our Association as welcoming without lowering standards, to help create a rich bicultural bridge with Tangata Whenua and to advance psychotherapy's value within the State Sector. He said that although the bridge with Tangata Whenua is precariously new, he had been moved by the significant work taking place in the Northern region through Nga Ao E Rua. He thanked Haare Williams for his role as Paearihi in this challenge.

Motion: Paul moved the acceptance and adoption of his annual report.

Carried with much acclamation.

Paul said that he wanted to acknowledge and honour Lesley King who was stepping down from her role as Past President. He thanked her from the bottom of his heart for her ten years of service to Council and her support for him.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT

Rhona Carson read her report to the meeting.

She referred to Council's discussions about which Council positions are elected by Council (from nominations from the membership) and which are elected at the AGM, which had begun a debate about the nature of democracy in the Association. She reported that the relationship between Council and NZAP Committees and working parties had come into focus and there were a number of uncertainties such as how members are appointed to these groups and expectations about tenure. She had written a report to Council, who had subsequently decided to promote the development of written 'memoranda of understanding' between Council and each group, in order to clarify mutual expectations relating to the tasks of the group and different situations which might arise. She has continued to represent NZAP at meetings of the Allied Health Professional Associations' Forum, a group of 14 allied health organisations who meet to collaborate and share ideas for improving the status of allied health in the health system. Through AHPAF, NZAP has been involved in discussions with a Health Professionals Indemnity Insurance Working Party, which is exploring the possibility of a common approach to indemnity insurance in the face of the Health Practitioners' Competence Assurance Act. NZAP is cautiously interested in the possibility that such a scheme might deliver benefits for our members. The working party has yet to report back.

Motion: That the Honorary Secretary's annual report be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Rhona Carson

Seconded: Charlotte Daellenbach

Carried

Paul thanked Rhona for all the work she had done.

HONORARY TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Andrew Duncan read his last report as NZAP Treasurer to the meeting.

He said that following the increase in membership subscriptions in 2005, the Association was back in excellent financial condition. General reserves are back to about \$60,000 and our net assets slightly increased to \$89,466. NZAP accounts for 2004-2005 have been audited and are in good order. He pointed out that there was no conference profit included in these accounts because of the conference dates in those years and overall income was down as a result. Income from two conferences would be included in the 2005-2006 financial year. There had been no applications for grants from the Educational Fund this year and in accordance with those guidelines, the amount not distributed this year will be added to what is to be distributed next year. This fund now sits at \$129,971.

Motion: Andrew said that he wanted to take this opportunity to thank Linde Rosenberg publicly, on behalf of NZAP, for all the work she has put into the website over several years.

Moved: Andrew Duncan

Seconded: Paul Bailey

Carried with acclamation.

Andrew said that he would complete the NZAP accounts to 31 March 2006, the end of the financial year, before handing over to the next Treasurer.

Motion: That the Honorary Treasurer's annual report be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Andrew Duncan

Seconded: Susan Hawthorne

Carried.

Paul thanked Andrew for his work as Treasurer and for his incredible participation in Council and the Association.

ADMISSION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Marianne Quinn read her report to the meeting.

She thanked former Chairs of the Admission Committee present at this meeting for their legacy. She was stepping down after three two-year terms as Chair, which had been demanding but also rewarding. Andrew Duncan was also retiring from the Committee.

Marianne acknowledged the invaluable work done by members of the Admission Committee in maintaining standards and a consistency of process. Members of the Admission Committee were asked to stand and were applauded. Marianne announced that Vanda McKerchar, from Christchurch would replace her as Chair and Gerald Maclairin, Auckland and Sandra Winton, Dunedin would join Judi Blumenfeld Hoadley, Geraldine Lakeland and Diane Zwimpfer on the Committee.

Motion: That the Admission Committee's annual report be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Marianne Quinn

Seconded: Burke Hunter

Carried with the acknowledgement of a job well done.

Paul acknowledged the contribution that Marianne had made to the evolution of the Association by leading us through the admission process so generously and compassionately.

ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Jonathan Fay read his report to the meeting.

He referred to the as yet unknown impact of registration on the future of psychotherapy and NZAP and said it would seem timely for NZAP to constructively explore and hold our differences, to debate and articulate the core values of psychotherapy, and to describe how

these values are brought to life and given practical force and meaning in our policies and procedures, ethical and admission requirements. Jonathan thanked Gordon Hewitt for the revision and clarification of the complaints procedure and flow chart. He announced that Lesley King, Auckland would replace Brian Broom as Chair of the Professional Practice Committee and that Sue Joyce, Auckland had agreed to join the Ethics and Professional Standards Committee.

Motion: That the Ethics and Professional Standards Committee's annual report be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Jonathan Fay
Carried

Seconded: Burke Hunter

ANNUAL REPORT ON PUBLIC ISSUES

Walter Logeman read his report to the meeting.

He thanked Kirsty Robertson for her dedicated work over many years collating and distributing the email Public Issues Bulletin. He said that there is now a new email address for the Public Issues Bulletin, which will continue to be distributed by email but will in future be on the web as well. Relevant documents and photos can also be stored on the site. He invited anyone interested in this work to make themselves known to the Committee.

Motion: That the annual report on Public Issues be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Walter Logeman
Carried

Seconded: Crea Land

ANNUAL REPORT ON PROVISIONAL MEMBERS' ISSUES

Roz Broadmore read her report to the meeting.

She said that thirty four provisional members had been welcomed into the Association in 2005, which was more than a 100% increase in the number joining in 2004. She had not received advice of any concerns and was looking forward to talking to provisional members at the breakfast meeting

Motion: That the annual report of the Provisional Members' Representative be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Roz Broadmore
Carried

Seconded: Deborah Heays

ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE SUPERVISION COMMITTEE

Charlotte Daellenbach said that after many years, she was resigning as Chairperson of the Supervision Committee and Mary Jerram, Nelson would replace her as Chair. Mary King, Auckland and Sandra Turner, Dunedin would be joining the Committee. Revision of the Supervision booklet was nearing completion and changes would be published in the Newsletter. She said that now that psychotherapy registration has been formally approved, the role of supervision is even more important.

Motion: That the verbal report from the Supervision Committee be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Charlotte Daellenbach
Carried

Seconded: Lesley King

Paul said that Margot Solomon was standing down from Council. He thanked her for the love and wisdom she had brought to Council and for her contribution to the Newsletter and supervision issues.

ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE CHILDREN'S ISSUES GROUP

Sandra Winton read her report to the meeting.

She said that when she took over this portfolio two years ago her first priority was to establish a small group to work with and she thanked Betty Robb, Auckland; Rose Robinson, Christchurch and Marian Vlaar, Dunedin for their collaboration, enthusiasm and help. Their first task was to connect with psychotherapists working with children and adolescents and as a group, give them a visible place of contact within NZAP. This has come about through the establishment of an email list, which has recently been developed into an online group and is proving a lively and useful means of communication. She believes it to be valuable to establish links across organizations and NZAP became a member of Every Child Counts in 2005. The NZAP Council lobbied members of Parliament on the repeal of Section 59 and will continue to support this Bill. She said that children are powerless and voiceless and child psychotherapists can easily feel as marginalized and voiceless as the children they are trying to help. She considers that NZAP needs to make a conscious effort to give visibility and value to children's issues and child psychotherapy.

Sandra thanked Council members for their support.

Motion: That the report from the Children's Issues Group be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Sandra Winton

Seconded: Margot Solomon

Carried

Sandra was stepping down from Council and Paul thanked her for the wonderful energy she had brought and for holding children's issues so diligently.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TE TIRITI O WAITANGI AND BI-CULTURAL ISSUES

Eileen Birch read her report to the meeting.

She said that since last year's AGM Sean Manning had stepped down as Convenor and his loss was strongly felt. Sheila Larsen, Helen Packard, Susan Hawthorne and Kay Thompson also retired and with them the Committee lost valuable institutional memory as well as their tireless energy. All of these people and Mihiteria King have now become part of a Consultant Committee. Liadan Cotter, Ann Nation, John O'Connor and Kirsty Robertson have since joined Te Tiriti Committee and along with Liz Farrands, Suzanne Johnson and Eileen now form this Committee. She said she would like to acknowledge the invaluable wisdom, aroha and support given to them, both as individuals and as a group, by the many kaumatua and kuia from whom they seek guidance. She referred to the initiatives which the Committee had put in place this year and said she felt hopeful and excited about the direction we are taking as an Association.

Motion: That the annual report of the Committee on Te Tiriti O Waitangi and Bi-Cultural Issues be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Eileen Birch

Seconded: Sheila Larsen

Rosalind Lewis offered thanks to the Auckland Committee who had organised last year's hui which she found nourishing and helpful.

The above motion was put to the meeting and carried.

ANNUAL REPORT ON OCCUPATIONAL REGISTRATION

Paul Bailey read his report to the meeting.

He advised that the Minister of Health has agreed that Psychotherapy become a registered health profession. The Ministry has since called for submissions about the way psychotherapy should be regulated, specifically whether it should be a stand-alone authority or blended with another authority, such as the Psychologists Board. A further consultation document will be circulated and following analysis of these submissions, the Minister of Health will then decide how psychotherapy should be registered. The task of the working party, which was set up to lobby for psychotherapy to become a registered health profession, has almost been achieved. Paul asked that when the final ratification takes place, Council will create a new committee or working party to be our primary liaison group with the new Board and the relevant Ministries. He said he would be happy to be an active member of this group.

Motion: Paul Bailey moved the acceptance and adoption of his report on Occupational Registration.

Carried

ANNUAL REPORT ON PSYCHOTHERAPY IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

Rhona Carson said that Council approval had earlier been given for setting up a working party to promote psychotherapy in the public sector. Michael Trott and Stephanie Forde from Auckland had expressed interest and in Wellington there are Rhona, Roz Broadmore, Andrew Jones and Cindy Smith. She reported a growing interest in psychotherapy as part of the mental health service and said that Dr David Chaplow, Director of Mental Health at the Ministry of Health, is looking at ways to make more psychotherapy services available as part of the development of the mental health service. The PSA negotiations for a Multi Employer Contract Agreement have included psychotherapists on the new collective employment agreement, which will help acknowledge that psychotherapists are regarded as part of the public health workforce. Registration will also help as employers tend to be shy about employing non-registered health professionals.

Motion: That the verbal report on Psychotherapy in the Public Sector be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Rhona Carson

Seconded: Charlotte Daellenbach

Carried with thanks to Rhona.

REGIONAL REPORTS

Reports had been received from Nelson and Dunedin Regions. Paul said that all regional reports received would be published in the Newsletter.

ACC

Geraldine Lakeland said that Ondra Williams had taken over the role of NZAP representative on the Sensitive Claims Advisory Group. Geraldine said it is important that we continue to work alongside ACC because this is the only way in which these clients can access funding.

Motion: That the annual report on the Sensitive Claims Advisory Group be accepted and adopted.

Moved: Geraldine Lakeland

Seconded: Charlotte Daellenbach

Carried

CONFERENCE 2007

Conference 2007 will be held in Napier from 1 to 4 March 2007. Paul reported that the Committee is working actively and enthusiastically to produce a very different sort of Conference. Paul said that accommodation in Napier would be at a premium and he advised those interested to book early.

The venue for Conference 2008 was to be decided but the Christchurch Branch would normally be the next branch to host Conference. A suggestion had been made that as the majority of the NZAP membership was located in Auckland, that Branch might like to host a Conference more frequently. The Auckland Branch could discuss this and make that offer if they wished.

RESULT OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Paul Bailey was stepping down as President and he passed the Presidency on to Roz Broadmore. He handed her the Presidential box, the Taonga. Roz thanked Council and also thanked the Wellington branch who had supported her to this point. Roz acknowledged Paul and the amazing job he has done as President. His leadership had been outstanding and his would be big footsteps to follow.

Roz introduced and welcomed Eileen Birch as the new President Elect. Eileen said she was honoured by the vote of confidence and thanked the meeting. She said she considered the Association was in good heart and she thanked the Wellington Branch for this Conference.

Roz announced that Rhona Carson had been re-elected unopposed to the position of Honorary Secretary and Helen Packard had been elected to the position of Honorary Treasurer. Walter Logeman had been re-elected to a second two-year term as a member of Council. The newly elected members of Council are Sue Joyce, Suzanne Johnson and Marlyn Robson.

Roz Broadmore formally declared the meeting closed at 6.50pm.