

# Minutes of the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Hydrological Society (Inc.)

Te Papa, Wellington

Wednesday 1st December 2020, 5:00pm – 6:00pm

## 1. Welcome/Apologies (President - Joseph Thomas)

Apologies:

David Painter

Brian Kouvelis

Mic Clayton

Charles Pearson

Graham Elley

Maurice Duncan

Hugh Thorpe

## 2. Minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

Matters arising: none

Moved: MS Srinivasan

Seconded: Graeme Smart

Passed

## 3. President's Report (Joseph Thomas)

Covered highlights from written report

Acknowledged hard work of last year's conference committee – very successful conference given the situation with Covid-19.

Gratefully acknowledged sponsors of the Society and conferences.

Challenges for this conference thanks to Covid, but pleased to have pushed ahead – good attendance in person and virtually. Te Papa Conference manager pleased that the conference went ahead as it sets a good precedent for future gatherings.

Acknowledged long standing members – a number who have been members more than 50 years.

## 4. (a) NZHS Financial Statements for the 2020/2021 year – including financial position and profit loss for 20/21 operational year. (Treasurer - Mike Ede)

Budgeted to breakeven but came away with \$39K surplus. Copyright fees contributed to this.

Cancelled liability of some projects on the books for projects that have not been invoiced for.

Wrote off value of Freshwaters book – \$5,480

OnCue have been successful in getting more outstanding subs paid, so this has also helped.

Members funds now ~\$194,000.

Full report online

Motion: Accept this year's financial report

Moved: Richard

Seconded: John Bright

Passed

## (b) Appointment of Auditor for financial statements for 2020/2021 (Mike Ede)

Motion: Reappoint auditors for next FY

Moved: Helen Rutter

Seconded: Stefan Beaumont  
Passed

5. Sub review: overseas membership

Exec determined not to increase fees this year, and to allow overseas members to pay for 3 to 5 year subs to avoid additional costs.

6. Society administration – update (Mike/Joseph)

Outlined the value of having OnCue as the Society administrators – overall very pleased with service and clear to see the benefits of having them on board.

7. Election of Officers

JT acknowledged the work and commitment of the current Exec Team, and thanked.

5 positions:

Editor

Nom: Richard Hawke;

Nom by: Andrew Fenemor

Seconded by: MS Srinivasan

Elected unopposed

Secretary

Nom: Conny Tschritter

Nom by: Mike Stewart

Seconded by: MS Srinivasan

Elected unopposed

3 x Exec members

Nom: Rebecca Morris

Nom by: Mike Stewart

Sec by: Mike Thompson

Nom: Adam Martin

Nom by: Susanne Gabites

Sec by: MS Srinivasan

Nom: Sarah Mager:

Nom by: Pete Davidson

Sec by: Andrew Fenemor

8. Editorial Update: Current/Journal/books (Richard Hawke – Editor)

Gave an overview of the special edition book – acknowledge the efforts of the contributors, especially Barry Fahey who is now in his 80s – admirable to still be contributing. Will be sent out as with other Journal issues.

Thanks to all authors who have submitted papers, thanks to reviewers, request to please turn your presentation into a paper for the Journal.

Thanks to Laura Keenan for her proofing and editing work on all the journals, great to have both writing and editing skills, and technical knowledge.

Outlined the process for publication etc. Important to publish your work – so useful to others.

9. NZHS award nominations: reminder to membership for nominations (Joseph Thomas)

Great to receive nominations for Society Awards – keep them coming.

#### 10. 2022 Symposium (Joseph Thomas)

Proposal is to have the conference in Dunedin – Sarah Mager has agreed to be the convenor for this. NZ Met Society are keen to join us.

#### **Other business**

#### 11. Royal Society Membership – NZHS members encouraged to make nominations for fellowships etc.

Louise Weaver is our representative on the Royal Society constituent committee – please talk to her if any topics or issues to raise. Can approach them to nominate people for their awards but has to be done a year in advance.

Louise gave an overview on the services Royal Society can provide for NZHS.

#### **Matters arising**

Meeting closed 5.43pm

**Raelene Mercer**  
**Secretary**

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