

► Minutes of A.G.M Friday 19th November 2004

Present:

Karen Bennett, Lindsay Butler, Patricia O'Brien, Lynne Van De Waardt, Andrew Warmington, Malcolm Stuart, Erin Groom, Janine Wells, Linzi Davies, Daneby Liddell, Mike Nash, Diane McClelland, Patsy Rose, Stephanie Lewis, Lyall Trethowen, Tania Kennedy, Nader Rafati, Nicola Smith-Guerin, Hayley Hewlett, Janine Gunn, Grant Bagley, Tracey Melsom-Page, Athalie Price, Wendy Dewslaw, Elizabeth Jensen, Peter Barber, Peter Brown, Diane Beach, Caitlin McTaggart, Michele Peck, Teresa Jackson, Johnny Walmsley, Julie Bromley, Sarah-Jayne Hanley, Rosalyn Hpa, Estrellita Lipana, Sharad Singh, Narelle Offer, Ellen Petersen, Alex Kelepamu, Grant Scarf, Pat Glasgow, Doug Williams, Mike Lucas, Cathie Hepworth, Andrew Smith, Nigel Portel, Mark Tumai, Tony Matthews, Marija Durakoric, Bev Meads, Margaret Mouk, Kim McCavlei, Mark August, Peter Watson, Craig Mills, Diana Korach, Michele Braddick, Phillipa McEwan, Brad Hale, Heather Nielsen, Irene Lineham, Nisha Ali, Karita Lal, Leanne Morrison, Tracey Hanna, Paul Hansen-Brooks, Nivia Gerbtch, Hamzi Mahagna, Lynn Pensen, Louise Goodwin, Helen Booth, Penny Joyce, Liz McRae, Jane Spehr, Donald McElhaney, Lynette McGaughran.

Apologies:

Kaylene Henderson

Opening:

Lynne opens meeting and introduces Peter Cook from ANZCA and Mark Bukovsker from NZSA. Both speak and are keen to hear from people with ideas on how we can move forward.

Past minutes - 2003 A.G.M.:

Read out by Lynne. Seconded by Nicola Smith.

President's report:

Read out by Erin. Seconded by Karen

Education Report:

Read out by Pat

Including – Surveys of hospitals, AUT report – 23 students completing anaesthesia 5B. AUT learning outcomes to be renewed.

Health and Applied Science merge – Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences.

Problems students were facing with AUT read out.

Education working Party – First meeting on August 9th 2004.

Tasks achieved and objectives for 2005 read out.

Concerns for education – trainee numbers declining.

Pat and Karen attended talk with Unitec and AUT re furthering our qualification. Unitec will still do a diploma, AUT are looking at a degree.

Questions Asked:

Are we trying to make it too difficult, rocket science? Will everyone have to travel to Auckland? Pat explains both offer distance learning. *Does everyone who currently has a certificate need to up-skill?* Pat explains you can change to the diploma or degree only if you want to. (If you currently have a cert). Helen Booth from AODP spoke about what is happening in the UK and explains everyone can still work under their own level of practice.

Will COP exam have credits towards degree? Pat was unsure about this.

Malcolm explains ANZCA is more than willing to help. Andrew is asked if NZSA were happy with the direction our training is going in – Andrew said if we're not practitioners then no problem. Most anaesthetists would probably think our current qualification is adequate.

Steph (Middlemore) questioned if ANZCA's 6028 clinical hours are still needed, if a degree came in it would take 6 years to complete clinical time. unless you were a nurse.



Hamzi (Hamilton) said that if we go to diploma or degree it may leave numbers short on the floor. Cathie (Chch) thinks that this may encourage more people to train if we have a better qualification. Seconded by Steph.

Treasurer's Report:

Read out and explained by Lynne. Seconded Duncan (Wellington). Pat then thanks Lynne on behalf of all the members for being a great Treasurer and for stepping into the Chairman's' role (acting).

Conference Convenor:

Lynne thanks Duncan for all his hard work on organising such a great conference.

New Positions on the Board:

Karen Bennett – New Chairman
Janine Gunn – New Vice Chairman
Julie Bromley – Registrar
Pat O'Brien – Education Executive
Louise Goodwin – PR Officer

The position of PR officer had two people interested, Louise and Irene Lineham. This position was voted on by a show of hands after both explained why they were interested in this position. The position of Treasurer is still to be filled.

Remits:

Lyll (Dunedin) Thanked the Board for all their hard work. Lyll suggested vote of approval for Board restructure and name change – Passed. Board to consider.

Previous Executive remits – Fees trained tech \$100 effective from 1st April, trainees \$50 – Passed
George Fuge – GASNZ as a link from our web site as opposed to Futuremed for a forum – to be discussed at the next Executive meeting.

A letter from G. Pope was read out to say overseas qualified people should sit COP – general discussion took place over this.

Remit - \$2000 paid to Chairman – lost

Remit amended – to be divided between Secretary, Chairman, Registrar, president, Vice President, PR, education Executive – lost

Remit amended – Grant Scarf suggested giving a gift voucher at the end of term to the Executive Board Approx. \$300 – Passed.

Discussions:

Return to training

<18 months absent = nothing

>18 months < 5 years – orientation pack (3 months)

> 5 years = 3 months orientation. Machine check and some questions by two visiting examiners.

Janine Wells outlined the return to work program for RN's.

Employing hospitals to pay transport costs of examiners.

Award:

Prize \$\$ offered by Tyco. Conditions – must be NZATS member – trainee/trained.

Prize = flights and accommodation to NZATS conference.

Balance of conference registration costs

\$500 gift voucher

Categories – Research paper, case study or historical essay research paper with regard to anaesthesia, and must be written in the last 12 months. To be judged by Education Executive and Basil Hutchinson and an Executive panel.

Meeting closed at 17:15 hrs.