

► Minutes of Auckland Regional Meeting - 02/09/05

Present:

Muriel Cooper, Stephanie Lewis, Daniel Williams, Charles Champness, Erin Baker, Siao Si Sika, Kelly Brooker, Helen Nati, Aaron Oliver, Jayson Bryant, Gary Boxall, Jonathon Shaw, Pat O'Brien, Theresa O'Brien, Marlene Proctor, George Fuge

Apologies:

Kaylene Henderson, Kylie Parry, Karen Absil, Helen Mahoney

Meeting opened at 19:20 hrs

Agenda items:

1st Speaker: Pat O'Brien. Update of Diploma.

Details have been sent to Charge Techs and are available on the NZATS web site and Forum.

-Anaesthesia 5A and 5B to continue for next year for those already on the course.

-If there are any who do not pass, 'special subjects' will be available.

-Block course time will likely to increase, to be decided.

-Assessors will need to be accredited at some stage, AUT to supply course

-Exit exams will possibly replace C.O.P.

-Qualified Techs will need to complete Anaesthesia 3 and Anaesthetic Technology 2

-Recognition of prior experience will be considered

-RN's will have 1 year requirement for hours as now, a log book, assessments, Anaesthesia and Biophysics

-Cost likely to be less, \$475 instead of \$980 each as CTA funding remains

-It is hoped this will raise the profile of Anaesthetic Technicians

-Course details are currently under construction

Discussion over merits, ability of foreign trained people to work here, entrance exams and practitioners

Questions followed.

Stephanie Philp from Metamorphosis ltd

- Visualisation techniques for group.
- Word association and stress management.

Interesting and sceptical questions at times

Mal Singh

- A venture capitalist
 - Used personnel experience to suggest breaking problems down into smaller problems
- Motivate and laugh

-Identify what makes us stress

Gary Boxall

- Conference
- Early registration ends 15/10.
- Don't leave it too late, be mindful there is only two people organising the whole thing
- Wed pm – Cocktail
- Thursday – Official opening
- Friday – AGM
- Remits have closed on the 25th

3 CME points for Anaesthetists – rare for a Technicians conference

Jayson Bryant

Script abstracts needed urgently. Need >70% response to be meaningful

Postal survey, better response needed

Next meeting TBA.

Options include going to Wharangarei, or in Auckland again.

Other ideas welcomed

George talked about questions he had as rep



Many overseas applicants frustrated at delays/rejection.

Suggested better checking of documents

Mention of entrance exam for all overseas applicants when they apply from overseas

Meeting closed at 21:50 hrs.