

▶ Central & Lower North Island Regional Meeting 18/03/05

Chancellor Motor Lodge

**Present** Karen Bennett, Linzi Davies, Andy Leleni, Pati Faaea, Karen Greville, Pat Glasgow, Duncan McPhail, Narelle Offer, Dale Annandakisnan, Daneby Liddell, Christine Minton, Ross Imlay, Judith deWilde, Paul Hanson-Brooks, Leanne Morrison, Mark August, Kim McCauley, Christina Lubbers, Margaret Boyce, Carol Dyer

**Apologies**

Grant Scarf, Lynne van de Waardt, Diane Haase, Janine Guyton, Beth Bourke

Minutes from last meeting discussed, no matters arising.

**Executive feedback**

Discussion was held about the recent survey for registration. Costs and reasons were explained. General feedback was positive although cost obviously a factor. Stage 1 of proposed diploma discussed. Letter to AUT to proceed with diploma process sent recently.

Editorial team for script magazine specifically Helen Mahoney, chief editor was discussed. Positive feedback given for previous issues.

Script magazine due out in April. Members to be sent their own copy to the home address, so please ensure addresses are up to date. Contact registrar via website if address changed.

Registration due 1<sup>st</sup> April, cost \$50.00 for trainees, \$100.00 for trained. Registration forms available to print off on the website as well as a form to be sent out with the script. Increased registration costs were explained.... Executive airfares for HPCA application, exec and AUT meetings, and shortfall of script.

Website Forum well accessed. Karen endorsed it's use for candid comments.

NZATS/ASAPO Conference to be held 2-5<sup>th</sup> November 2005, SKYCITY, Auckland.

World Conference convenors have contacted Karen. The dates are 9-12 Nov 2006, to be held on the Gold Coast.

**Election of Regional rep**

One nomination received, Jackie Anderson from Aorangi Hospital. Unanimously voted for.

**Brief Report from each tech's hospital**

Wgtn – Very pleased with conference in Wgtn, Nov last year. Good attendance and positive feedback. Staffing levels still very poor. Techs often run 2-3 theatres per shift plus double shifts and overtime. 2 new trainees appointed.



Royston Private Hosp, Hawkes Bay – 2 techs, Ross and Christine, both enjoy their work

Taranaki – staffing has improved since last year. 5 Techs, good moral, sometimes PACU assist with regional lists

Boulcott, Lower Hutt - Increasing size of the hospital – no techs!!

Lower Hutt Public – Good number of techs, happy workplace

Aorangi – 2 techs, advertising for another. Jackie attended ASAPO conference last year in Perth. NZ Techs highly regarded

Wakefield, Wgtn – 3 theatres, 3 Anaes. Assistants, 1 NZ Trained, 1 ODA, 1 UK Nurse

Hawkes Bay – sometimes short staffed, otherwise good place to work.

P/Nth – fully staffed, low turnover of staff. What can I say!!

Meeting closed 20.15 hrs

A fantastic meal followed our meeting. Thanks to David from Intermed and Russell from ICU Medical

Minutes by KB