

Report to Council

June 2022

The Professional Development and Conference Committee last met on 21st February this year.

The meeting welcomed one new member, the Council representative, and the two existing committee members. One of the existing members, Marian, noted that this would be her last meeting as she had previously announced that she would be stepping down. The committee wished to note their appreciation and gratitude to Marian for all the work that she had done for the committee and for professional development in general.

The committee explored its function and purpose, given the reluctance of members to generate professional development concepts and ideas into projects. The committee explored whether it might change its functioning so that it operates ad hoc to facilitate events as needed?

The NZAP Academy was discussed and offered in many ways a replacement for the function of the committee. It was difficult to see how the PDCC might add value once the Academy is operational.

The issue of membership numbers in general was noted and so supporting the usual breadth of activity might be difficult in future.

It was recommended by the committee that the issue of the functioning and purpose of the PDCC be passed to Council to consider, specially what could be its future role and function.

No further meetings of the PDCC are currently organised.

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Temporary Secretary