

**MINUTES OF THE NZAP COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM  
ON 15 APRIL 2024 6.15PM – 7.50PM**

**Present:**

Gabriela Mercado (President), John O'Connor (President Elect), Mihili Alexander, Susan Horne, Delia Crozier, Catriona Cairns, Marianna Ackerman, Claire Miranda, Victoria Smith, Luisa Maloni (Administrator).

**1. WELCOME**

*The meeting opened at 6:15pm with a karakia from John and check ins with Council members.*

**2. APOLOGIES**

Kua tamō te rōpū Waka Oranga.

**3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None reported.

**4. RATIFICATION OF MARCH 2024 COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

An amendment was requested for the March minutes that under the heading '**Council Vacancies**' the paragraph be removed and be replaced with : *We have had a number of people interested in the vacancies and a call for nominations will go out soon.*

**Gabriela Moved:** That the minutes of the March 2024 Council meeting, with the above amendment, be accepted

—Carried

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Council discussed the terms for council members and the nature of co-opting.

**Action: Gabriela** to talk with members interested in the vacancies on Council so that they know the process.

**Meet and greet members interested in the Council vacancies**

Gabriela suggested it might be useful to invite anyone interested in the Council vacancies to join us via Zoom at a Council meeting as an informal meet and greet opportunity.

**Request from Member**

Gabriela discussed an in-committee request from a member.

**6. RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

The following memberships were ratified:

**Motion:** That the following applicants be ratified as continuing Student Members of NZAP, having completed all requirements:

**PAUL PRINGLE, Auckland (ANZAP, Conversational Model 2<sup>nd</sup> year)**

**Motion:** That the following applicants be ratified as new Student Members of NZAP, having completed all requirements:

**KIRI SCHUMACHER, Auckland (AUT, Master of Psychotherapy)**

**SOPHIE BUXTON, Auckland (AUT, Master of Psychotherapy)**

**BEN ARMSTRONG, Auckland (Transactional Analysis)**

**Motion:** That the following applicants who have full Psychotherapist registration, be ratified as Full Members of NZAP, having completed all requirements:

**JOHANNA PERFECT, Auckland (previous member)**

**TWANÉ CHÉZE GOWER, Nelson (moving from Student to Full membership)**

**CAROLYN CRAWFORD, New Plymouth (moving from Student to Full membership)**

#### **Termination**

**Motion:** That a Member, who has been exited from the ACP pathway, be removed from the Register

#### **Retired:**

**Raewyn Stedman, Dunedin (Semi-Retired)**

**Trisha Bennett, Dunedin (Semi-Retired)**

**Jenny De Leon, Auckland (Semi-Retired)**

**Margot Solomon, Auckland (Semi-Retired)**

**Rod Sandle, Wellington (Fully Retired)**

**Sue Jones, Christchurch (Fully Retired)**

**Mary King, Auckland (Semi-Retired)**

#### **Resigned:**

**Mariska Gifford, Blenheim**

**Cherry Pye, Tauranga**

**Keith Crosby, Tauranga**

**Sara Crane, Northland**

**Susan Dunster, Tairua**

**Jacqueline Heilkema, Auckland**

**Christine Lake, Auckland**

—Carried

## **7. ACTION LIST**

Completed and ongoing action items were noted. The following items were commented on:

6. **Action: Victoria** to discuss with Gabriela about finding replacements for her roles with AHANZ and ACC. Victoria noted that the ACC role can't be replaced as they invite members to this group and NZAP doesn't have an official place. They are very busy with the new contract and may write to NZAP next year to put forward a representative.
8. **Action: Delia** to research the difference between an Audit and a review. Delia has a document regarding this and will send this to Council.

## 9. SOGICE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

John and Catriona shared their draft response to the SOGICE report recommendations.

They wanted to express an openness that discussions and learning will continue e.g. at the Mindfields meetings and at conference, reiterating the importance of embodied dialogue.

The plan is to draft a statement by May 31 that includes a fuller response to the recommendations. Council may need another meeting before this to finalise the statement. This will allow time for members to digest it before the AGM.

**Action: John and Catriona** to draft a response after conference to membership regarding the SOGICE report in readiness for a May 31 release.

Gabriela thanked John and Catriona for their work on the draft response and agreed it was ready to go out to members.

## 10. REPORTS

### Academy

The academy team includes John Farnsworth, Victoria Smith, Claire Miranda, Gabriela Mercado, Matt Bird, and Lynne Holdem.

John Farnsworth has been the driving force of the Academy. Unfortunately, he has a health concern and needs to step back from work on the Academy for at least 6 months.

The remaining team will meet and discuss next steps from here including whether to go ahead for the mid-year launch or postpone it.

**Action: Catriona** to send John Farnsworth a card from Council sharing appreciation of all his work and that we are thinking of him while he is faced with health issues.

### ACP

The committee is meeting this weekend. They are waiting for a response from PBANZ regarding the accreditation application. NZAP should hear back by the end of June, hopefully before the AGM.

### ATA JOURNAL

Ata is in a holding position at the moment. Unfortunately, the person lined up to co-edit is not available yet. An inform message will go out to membership with an invitation to join the editorial team.

Gabriela thanked John for his enormous amount of work for the Association.

## **Conference 2024**

Gavin shared a written update.

Gabriela acknowledged the hard work of Gavin so far. Gabriela and John will meet with the conference committee next week to check in with them. Registrations are currently holding at 92 but anything less than 120 attendees will mean a loss for NZAP. Council will encourage them to cut costs as much as possible. Clarification will be sought on the numbers and an updated projection of costs/income.

Verity has hired and paid \$2000 for a bus for up to 19 people to travel to conference from Auckland. Haare Williams will be on this bus, along with members of Waka Oranga and the conference committee and a cultural commentary will occur on the way down. Verity is asking that Council underwrite the costs of this bus. There will be a tikanga of koha and Verity is feeling confident to reach numbers for this.

Council acknowledged the current financial difficulties with the conference so far but would like to support this group and the potential for community building, as well as the environmental benefits of sharing transport.

**Motion:** That Council underwrite the costs incurred for the hiring of a bus from Auckland to the conference in Rotorua.

**John/Catriona**  
— **carried**

It was noted that there has been a change of process from when branches hosted conference. It has become closer to Council and lines have become blurred. This would be good to consider for the next conference.

## **ACC**

Victoria hosted a Zoom for membership regarding the change in ISSC (Integrated Services for Sensitive Claims) contracts. 22 members attended this and it went well.

Many people couldn't come and there was a lot of interest in it so Victoria may host another Zoom meeting later for people who want to be providers.

## **AHANZ**

The subscription has gone up significantly however it is important that we have input into a lobby group and with a representative on the AHANZ committee, NZAP is able to have that input. AHANZ has asked Victoria to join the committee or a suitable replacement.

The Public Issues committee is in recess at the moment and a Chair is needed.

John thanked Victoria and noted that he would like to get more involved with Public Issues and will make a time to speak with Victoria.

Gabriela thanked everyone for their time.

*The meeting ended at 8:00pm.*