

**Minutes of NZMPTA Council Meeting
17th December 2020 @ 8.00am
Via Teams video call**

Present: Brian Ebert, Craig Burrows, Gary Reilly, Ross Muggeridge, Trevor Foley & Maria Scott

Apologies: Darren Main, Paul Dixon, Don Vermeulen, Claudio Urzua (belated)

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Accepted as a true and correct record.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

Financial Statement: presented and accepted. Approx. combined net position \$94,328.

Accounts for Payment: Accounts previously paid and to be paid were tabled and approved.

Resignation from Council: Brad Morrissey, formally from Grundfos Pumps has withdrawn from Council as he no longer works for Grundfos. He is now with Davey Pumps who are already represented on Council by Ross Muggeridge.

New Members: NIL

Withdrawn Members: Kahurangi Farm Services – George Whiting has retired

Practising Certificate Approvals: Holger Olbrich, Southland Farm Services. Shaun Dyer (ISO), Dairymaster Milking Systems. Danielle Howard (ISO), Water Solutions. Devon Woods, Progressive Engineering. Matt Lambert (ISO), Advance Dairy & Pump. David Stone (ISO) & Norm Bailey (ISO), Bromley Dairy & Pumps. Eric Kemsley, Kemsley Dairy Services. Base Wallace, Better Dairy Solutions. Cody Lamb (ISO), McGregor's Farm Services - Approved.

H & S: Head hitting areas on new DeLaval machine set-up at training centre have been minimalised with padding wrap and safety tape.

TTC Report: Some of the processes have been completed towards registering TTC as a Non-Active Company with IRD i.e. GST & Payroll accounts have been cancelled and TTC bank accounts closed with balance of \$15,119.95 being transferred to MPTA. Executive Officer employment has been changed over to MPTA & new Employment Contract signed. MPTA has taken over the management of all training activity, invoicing & revenue. Once financial accounts have been completed and lodged for year end 31/12/20 we can finalise the Non-Active status by lodging an IR433 with IRD.

Training Activity: two ISO Machine Testing courses run in November with 15 participants. Course dates for 2021 have been set and are loaded on website.

Training Updates:

QCONZ have been given the go ahead to make more of our course material available online to make learning more convenient and accessible and work on this has already commenced with the Basic Milk Quality & Mastitis Management course.

The new app for submitting machine tests for marking will be introduced in the new year.

Executive Officer to queried costs for development of Milk Delivery e-learning course at \$21,000 - although we already have the course material it needs to be converted to e-

learning format which takes considerable work. However, QCONZ have not been instructed to start this project as yet.

Apprenticeship Update: There has been an increase in interest for the apprenticeship driven by the free Government funding. We now have 61 apprentices and 8 more who are considering it. Will do a push for new apprentices early in the New Year – Competenz to provide marketing material.

Plumbers Act Review: Nothing to report

Farm Dairy Effluent: DairyNZ are calling for proposals from interested parties for the combined administration of the dairy effluent services they currently provide. These include the WOF program, the FDE Accredited Designers management. MPTA propose to submit an expression of interest for the FDE Accreditation management side only, however, approval is required from the absent Council Members as a quorum was not in attendance at the meetings.

Skilled Water Tradespeople: First test case has been sent for assessment and we are awaiting outcome and feedback on process.

Rural and Small Water Suppliers Reference Group: estimated 20-50,000 small water supplies effected by changes from self-supplied buildings, trickle feed supplies, water carriers, on-demand network supplies.

Electrical Supervision: nothing to report.

ISO Testing conversion:

Amendments to testing process are underway by QCONZ and will be completed by mid-January for sign-off. Those who have already completed the ISO training will need to have the changes communicated to them.

We are continuing discussions if we will accept individual OEM ISO test reports for marking & issuing of our MPTA Registered ISO Milking Machine Tester Practising Certificate. Further comparisons need to be evaluated with the DeLaval VPR200 reporting outcomes before we can make a decision. Murray Pedley is observing a DeLaval test on 18/12/20

Meeting concluded: 10.00am

Next meeting date: to be advised around first week of February

Signed

President.