

Minutes of NZMPTA Council Meeting
25th June 2019 @ 11.00am
QCONZ, Hamilton



Present:, Gary Reilly, Craig Burrows, Paul Dixon, Ross Muggeridge, Brian Ebert, Kevin Warner, Warren Carlsen, Trevor Foley & Maria Scott.

Apologies: Don Vermeulen, Travis McIntosh

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 \$205,738

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

New Council Member: Warren Carlsen from GEA.

Election of Officer Bearers: Gary Reilly re-instated as President and Craig Burrows re-instated as Vice-President and Technical Committee Chair.

New Members: Better Dairy Solutions, Hawera - Approved

Withdrawn Members: Hi-Tech Enviro (now fully integrated with Waikato Milking Systems). Gubb Pumps (sold business). Anything Pumps Ltd – conflict of interest with employer.

Practising Certificate Approvals: Johan Potgieter, Southland Farm Services. Donald Ross, Stocker Solutions. Luke Vickers, Vickers Farm & Dairy. Scott Balneaves & Tony Macdonald Dairytech South. Jason Yeeles & Nigel Hannay, Qubik. Marc Ireland, Onsite Dairy Solutions. Rhys O'Brien, Aquaheat Facility Services. Matthew Lambert, Advance Dairy & Pump. Scott Welsh, Southland Farm Services. Darren Fenton, Nind Dairy Services. Michael McMaster, Progressive Engineering. Wade Seddon, Pratt Milking Machines. Simon Rollinson, Water Solutions (BOP). Mike Trump & Ben Hoskin-McLaren, Morrison Agri. John Edmonds, Dannevirke Dairy Supplies. Dairytech South. Warwick Jones, McGregors Farm Services. Craig Fairhurst, Davidson Engineering. Dan Huntley, Caldera Water & Dairy Solutions. Craig Cookson, PW Engineering. Innes Richardson, Milking & Water Systems Ltd - Approved.

H & S: Safety audit to be undertaken at training centre covering test & tag, electrical safety etc. Will be undertaken at next Council Meeting August 2019. Facility is not being used in meantime.

TTC Report: May Testing course was full & next course scheduled for November is almost full – will look to schedule another course before November. Small Drinking Water Supplies course in Hamilton last week had 9 participants, including 4 apprentices. Pump Selection & FDE Hydraulic Design ran in Christchurch in May with only 5 participants on each.

Apprenticeship Update: Discussed and signed off on some additional changes to the apprenticeship units standards – leaving in welding using the gas tungsten arc welding process (US 2688) and welding of low carbon steel (US 22906) in as compulsory units but moving welding aluminium & stainless steel (US 22907) to an elective option as not many of our Members will have capacity to complete the aluminium welding component.

Plumbers Act Review: A submission has been made to MBIE on the proposed Building System Legislative Reform (BSLR) which incorporates the Review of the Plumbers Act in which they are proposing to withdraw current exemptions for householders and work in rural areas being done by non-registered plumbers. Our submission called for an additional clause to be included in the PGD Act stating: *Sanitary Plumbing does not include – where an industry water technician* provides non-sanitary water from the source e.g. a bore, river or rainwater tank, to any point prior to the connection of sanitary plumbing, whereafter a registered plumber is required.* Submission document with industry stakeholder support also sent to Ministers Salesa, O'Connor, Jones & Nash calling them to take up the cause of our concerns.

Electrical Supervision: Some feedback required from Competenz & Skills Org before we present proposal to EWRB for a pathway for electrical supervision.

Skilled Tradespeople: Discussed creating a grandfathering process for water technicians with many years of experience and some training but no formal qualification. Or trying to build something into NZCP-1 that will accept our Members experience. Will discuss further at next meeting.

Update to VSD Testing Method: C Burrows & M Pedley have reviewed the process and made a slight amendment. M Pedley has prepared a Technical Note to be distributed to all Milking Machine Testers.

Industry Skill Shortage: E.O still to investigate re getting Milking Machine, Pump & Effluent Technicians listed on the skills shortage lists.

ISO Testing conversion: C Burrows, G Reilly & E.O meeting with Murray Pedley 25/6/19 to discuss costing and pathway for the project.

Meeting concluded: 3.15pm

Next meeting date: August 2019 in Palmerston North

Signed

President.