

MINUTES OF 83rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 17th March 2015 @ 2:00pm
Kingsgate Hotel, Garnett Ave, Hamilton

Present: Craig Burrows (Chair), Barry Miller, Simon Fletcher, Paul Dixon, Rowena Harper, Steve Bromley, Les Sinclair, Chris Savage, Gillian Beaver, Andrew Curtis, Wayne Climo, Aleni Ioane, Jeremy Scott, Brett MacDougall, Tim Scott, Les Sinclair, Nigel McClymont, Maria Scott and Life Members Tom Laurent, Paul Worsley, Peter Gallacher, Mel Eden & Brain Ebert

Apologies: Gary Reilly, Brian Nicholson, Tim Johnstone, Michael Meyer, Jason Yeeles, Graeme McDougal, Grant Hartley, Giles Gill, Craig Hawes, John Goddard, Raewynne Burrows, Gordon Jackett, Steve King, Neil McIntyre, Steve Bruce, Don Gollan, Paul Gibson, Martin Bloy, Harmen Heeson, Lloyd Tanner, Dave Goddard, Warick Buchanan, Brian Deller, Glen Fisher, Ian Mackay, Nic Smith, Eric Kemsley & Milton Sheppard

Minutes of Previous AGM: Minutes of previous AGM on 19/04/14 were read. B Miller Moved that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record, Seconded – S Bromley - Carried.

Balance Sheet & Financial Statement: Financial Statements for the year ended 31/12/14 were presented by Council Member Rowena Harper. The accounts show Members Equity of \$197,130. R Harper moved that the Financial Statements be received and adopted, Seconded - S Fletcher - Carried.

Presidents Report: Rowena Harper presented President's Report on Gary Reilly's behalf and moved that it be adopted, Seconded B Ebert - Carried.

Installation of Office Bearers: The following 12 nominations were received and meet the requirements for Management set out in the NZMPTA rules:

OEM Members - Milking: Craig Burrows, DairyMaster NZ Ltd. Barry Miller, Skellerup Industries Ltd. Rowan Galloway, DeLaval NZ Ltd. Paul Dixon, Fonterra Co-op Group Ltd. Graeme McDougal, GEA Farm Technologies, Kevin Warner, Waikato Milking Systems, Hamilton.

OEM Members - Water: Simon Fletcher, Grundfos Pumps.

Dealer Members: Brian Ebert, Farm Supplies Central Ltd. Jason Yeeles, Qubik Te Awamutu. Gary Reilly, On Farm Agri Centre, Michael Meyer, McQuinn Pumps (2008) Ltd, Brett MacDougall, MacDougalls.

A ballot vote was taken by eligible Members which saw Graeme McDougal and Kevin Warner not receive sufficient votes to be elected on to Council. Moved by S Bromley that the remaining 10 Nominees be formally installed to MPTA Council, Seconded J Scott - Carried.

Election of Auditor: It was moved by R Harper to continue using Staples Rodway Waikato of Hamilton, or a suitable alternative, as Auditors and that an Independent Review may be undertaken in lieu of a full financial audit. With a view to reducing Accounting costs, Executive Officer was instructed to research costs from alternative suitably qualified professionals to undertake the financial services required and report to Council on findings. Seconded B Ebert - Carried.

Annual Subscriptions: Moved by S Fletcher that OEM Membership fees be increased to \$500.00 + gst per annum, Seconded B MacDougall - Carried. Moved by B MacDougall that all other Membership category fees be increased to \$350.00 + gst per annum, and \$100.00 + gst per annum for subsidiary branches commencing January 2016, Seconded B Miller - Carried.

Technology Training Centre (TTC) Report: Executive Officer tabled and read TTC report. Moved by P Gallacher that the report be adopted, Seconded– B Ebert Carried.

General Business:

Training Update: Our proposed Apprenticeship Programme has received approval by NZQA and is now listed as a qualification on their website. Next step is for Competenz to submit an Industry Training Plan for the delivery of the qualification to NZQA for approval. We will then be in a position to launch the apprenticeship. Expected launch is now likely to be late 2015.

Change to Rules: C Burrows moved that an amendment to the MPTA Rules in regards to Conditions of Membership and representation of International Members as detailed below be made, Seconded by B Miller - Carried

Conditions of Membership:

6. *Applications for Membership must be submitted in writing to the Executive Officer of the Association. Membership is subject to the following conditions:*

j) International Members and Members of the Register operating overseas may be approved for Membership provided they meet the Membership criteria. However, the MPTA will act under New Zealand applicable legislation in regards to investigating or commenting on a complaint, workmanship or liability challenge against an off-shore Member.

Quality Management System Template: A Quality Management System template will shortly be made available to Members.

Guest Speakers: Ron Woods of Worksafe NZ, Andrew Curtis of Irrigation NZ, Paul Dixon of Fonterra

Life Membership: Awarded to Tim Scott formally of AgRural in Temuka .

Other Business: NIL

Meeting concluded at 5.21pm followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

Signed

President.

Date 17th March 15