

**BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
NZNO NATIONAL GERONTOLOGY COLLEGE
23 May 2023 at 12:25pm
Harbourside Function Centre Wellington**

PRESENT (as per signing sheet):

Bridget Richards, Kim Brooks, Gayleen Watkins, Anna Carey, Aloha Sison, Margaret Bigsby,

*Natalie Seymour (chair) - appeared via Zoom

(the following are Gerontology College members): Therese Heffernan, Sarah McIntosh, Kharen Ortega, Joventino Tongio, Soby Malthai, Jaqui Dyne, Anna Paterson, Chris Gaul, Elyse Sibley, Lara Hitchcock, Gina Connolly, Rachel Leary, Joanna Aquino, Ivy Marie Lorillo, Kulwinder Kaur, Ranjit Kaur, Dilpreet Kaur, Gogeshni Gunder, Andrew Henderson, Kirk Matthews, Christy Reedy, Jane Sefo, Simone Alexander, Laura Thomas

APOLOGIES:

Napat Sirihongthong,

WELCOME by Bridget Richards:

- We have a quorum for this meeting
- Committee introduced
- We have 1 vacancy on the Committee
- All papers will be available on the Conference Website

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:

- No corrections.
- Nil matters arising.
- **Moved:** Kim Brooks, **Seconded:** Aloha Sison, **PASSED.**

MATTERS ARISING:

- The Remit was unable to be passed in 2022

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT:

- No BGM specific correspondence

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- The Financial Reports are on our website
- **Moved:** Gayleen Watkins, **Seconded:** Margaret Bigsby, **PASSED.**

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Prepared by Natalie Seymour but presented by Bridget Richards in Natalie's absence

It has been a very busy time for our College, with the highlights including

- Industrial Meeting attendances around Safe Staffing
- "State of the Nation" comments
- Submissions to the Aged Residential Care review
- Various working groups
- College Representative on the Ministry of Health Advisory Network – End of Life Choices Act
- Natalie presented a Submission to Parliament on Safe Staffing

We currently have a vacancy on the Committee – would love to have representation from the Rural area.

Our College has become more politically active, and aware, over the past 2 years.

Thanks to all our members for their support

- **Moved:** Natalie Seymour, **Seconded:** Kim Brooks, **PASSED.**

REMITTS:

It would be beneficial to the profession if student nurses were also able to become members of the College.

- 3.5 Student Nurse Member: A student who is undertaking a programme of education accredited by the Nursing Council of New Zealand with a view to registration, who has current NZNO membership.
- **Moved:** Kim Brooks, **Seconded:** Rachel Leary, **PASSED.**

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS:

As there have been 2 nominations presented, for the 1 vacancy, we will need to go to an online election

PNA REPORT:

Presented by Margaret Bigsby.

Acknowledgement of the current Committee members

- NZNO relies on the input of volunteers onto the Committee – who make tremendous impacts on Gerontology
- Particular thanks to Natalie Seymour
- This has been a well organised Committee – raising our voice

NZNO is shaping itself around the Mairangi Mai Campaign

We know that the Health environment is complex, with restructuring adding to the issues – therefore we need to become more aware

- **Moved, that the report be accepted:** Anna Carey, **Seconded:** Gayleen Watkins, **PASSED.**

GENERAL BUSINESS:

No further Business.

Next meeting 2025 Conference.

Meeting closed: 12:55pm