

Minutes of NZART Council Meeting

Friday 29th May 2015 at 10am

Meeting held on Friday 29 May 2015 at the Atrium on Ulster Motels Hamilton commencing 10am.

ZL1VH welcomed WIA Vice President Fred Swainston VK3DAC and introduced and WIA Director Rowan Dollar VK2OE.

12/1 Roll Call

Chairman: ZL1VH Vaughan Henderson

Council Present

ZL1PK Phil King,

ZL2MAX Max Wheatley, ZL2UDF Malcolm Wheeler, ZL4XYZ Phill Dodds

ZL3PAH Phil Holliday, ZL2TW Stuart Watchman

ZL4TAE Terry Thomas, ZL4ARG Alex Gordon

Treasurer: Evan Sayer

Minute Secretary: Debby Morgan ZL2DL

12/2 Apologies

Neill Ellis ZL1TAJ, ZL1TPH Stephen Hayman absent

Motion: That the incoming Councillors Don MacDonald ZL3DMC and Alex Gordon ZL4ARG be accorded speaking and voting rights.

ZL1VH/ZL1PK Carried

12/3 Confirmation of Minutes May 2015

ZL1PK/ZL4TAE Carried

12/4 Additional Agenda Items

12/19 Band Plan formation Steve Fogerty ZL2ASF

12/5 Action points

Action Points Council Meeting December 2013

01 ZL1VH, ZL3PAH and ZL2TW to look at Debby's contract then follow with review, and update job description. Progressing

Action Points from Meeting Monday 2 June 2014 Blenheim

03: ZL3PAH An outline document of the requirements for our updated web site has been written and circulated to Council. So far feedback has been minimal.

Additional: All Councillors to give feedback to ZL3PAH for a rounded view of what we want and how we go about this.

ZL3PAH proposes a small team be formed, to determine the content and where it is to come from. Include a member's only and online payment option. Don MacDonald and Alex Gordon happy to work Phil on this team. The position of Webmaster needs to be determined from this group.

12/6 Confirmation of New Members May 2015

Nil

12/7 Finance

a) Budget – Review of 2015 Budget

Evan advised subscriptions were approximately \$15k down from last year. Costs are under control. However 200+ members still to renew for 2015, reminder notices have been sent out.

Total donations in support of sending a representative to the WRC2015 in Geneva in November this year came \$11,932.00. This was made up of \$9000 in direct donations and a further \$2,932 which came from members who donated their \$10 subscription rebate

Donations received for Geneva travel will come into 2015 accounts.

Total \$15k was budgeted for travel to Geneva, donations received approx. \$9k, ZL2TLL has managed to get very reasonable flights and accommodation.

\$7,900 for Don to attend.

No significant increase for coming year. Call book cost \$8,500 for 2014.

b) Consideration of 2016 Budget

APT meeting may want to send Don to but will not be required until 2016/2017

Upgrade computer hardware and software

Website development allow \$4k

c) Subscriptions for 2016

Not ideal to increase subscriptions in the year where a surplus shows up in accounts. No increase for 2016

Motion: There will be no increase in NZART subscription for 2016.

ZL2TW/ ZL2UDF

Carried

This is based on membership as at end of December 2014.

Rebate of \$10 will remain the same.

Current rates: Transmitting members \$99.00 with a \$10 rebate if paid by 30 November. Family \$129 ,with \$10 rebate. Overseas members \$125.00 – no airmail offered Student \$45

d) Annual Audited accounts

One error to report – Para 11 Subscriptions in advance should read 1506 of the 1804, not 1710 of the 1972.

e) May Payments

Moved that the May payments be approved.

ZL4TAE Seconded ZL1PK

Carried

12/8 Conference

Quorum Total membership) 1577

Quorum (2/3 of Trans Membership) 1038

Total Represented

President's and Secretary's assistants.

President's ZL2TW

Secretary's ZL\$\$\$ Evan Sayer

12/09 Monthly Reports

Reports from AREC financial and Monitoring service have been sent via e-mail.

12/10 Conference 2016

Still looking for a host.

12/11 ARX functions

Action Points Monday Meeting of Council Conference 2013

01 ZL3PAH and Finance Sub Committee to review the costs and time involved in ARX duties. Complete

12/12 Call Book 2015/2016

ZL1VH having sought feedback via Break In and HQ Info Line was for a printed call book. \$8,500

Call Book for 2016 will be a Mini call book including Branch Info.

12/13 NZART Strategic Plan progress – ZL3PAH

To remain an agenda item - new Councillors to receive a copy of the strategic plan.

12/14 Who's Who/Officer Liaison – recording 5 12:15pm

ZL2DL will undertake Who's Who

Officer Liaison Councillor. Phill Dodds ZL4XYZ to undertake the role.

Finance Sub Committee

12/15 Branches with less than 5 members

Inglewood 3, South Otago 3, Waihi 5, Waitara 3, Waitomo 4, Kawerau 4, Opotiki 4, Mercury Bay 4.

ZL2DL advised that when a Councillor visits these branches it increases the membership to NZART. Council will endeavour to visit branches as and when time permits.

12/16 IARU R3 Conference Bali, Indonesia

WIA will have two people in attendance at WRC and IARU R 3

Don Wallace ZL2TLL has obtained very reasonable airfares and this along with some further savings on accommodation has brought the total cost of his attendance to WRC 2015 in Geneva, down from an original estimate of \$12,600 to an all up cost of \$7,900.

ZL2TLL our IARU Liaison Officer and Terry Carrell ZL3QL a member of IARU committee put the case for attending The IARU R 3 Conference in Bali. The Region 3 conference this year is significant, in that it takes place prior to the World Radio Conference and represents a last opportunity for the amateur radio associations in Region 3 to get together, and reach a consensus on the agenda items at the upcoming World Radio Conference which are going to affect the amateur radio service. The most significant of these is the possibility of an amateur band at 5MHz. Council agreed to send two delegates to the Region 3 Conference in Bali and these will be Don ZL2TLL and Terry ZL3QL.

The cost of sending two people to the IARU Region 3 Conference is going to be around \$5580. Council agreed providing, members and delegates approve of using the surplus money in the WRC donations fund to help with the cost of attending the IARU Bali Conference.

Motion: that Council recommend NZART fund two people to represent our society at IARU R 3.
ZL3PAH Seconded ZL4TAE Carried

Members of IARU committee needs to be reviewed.

12/17 Dissemination of AGM and Conference Information

ZL2BHF suggested no further Official Broadcast at conference. Council agree to use NZART HQ Info-line, NZART Reflector and Facebook – Conference report, voting on remits and subscriptions will all go out in a special edition of HQ Info-line.

Cut off to be Sunday lunchtime for information to include AGM's from WARO, AREC etc.

12/18 Officer Vacancies

Currently 6 officer vacancies.

A/P Solicitor. ZL3PAH will approach a possible candidate

ARISS ZL Coordinator, Peter ZL2SJ no longer able to undertake the roll. Stuart to undertake seeking the right person.

Funding Officer – Deleted position

A/P Publicity/Marketing – ZL2UDF will follow up a possible candidate in the area.

VHF/UHF/SHF Records

National Training Officer – ZL2AJ forwarded ZL1VH the master files of training material. – ZL1VH to undertake this role.

Motion: That ZL1VH be appointed to the National Training Officer Role

ZL2TW seconded ZL4TAE

Carried

12/19 Band Plan formation Steve Fogerty ZL2ASF

Steve Fogerty ZL2ASF our new Engineering and Licensing Group Team Leader attended the meeting. He specifically requested Council to revisit the beacon application placed in 2013 from Wellington VHF Group.

The following motion was put:

Motion – Council approve the application from Br 74 for a beacon on 3400.275 MHz. ZL1VH
Seconded ZL4XYZ Carried

Council now need to amend the 9cm band plan and bring it into line with international practice. ZL1VH to invite any amateurs at the AGM who have an interest in operation on the 9cm band and would like to be part of this band planning group to contact Stuart ZL2TW. Notification of the amendment to the band plan will be published in HQ Info-line and in an upcoming issue of Break In.

ZL2ASF advised the ELG is shaping up reasonably well. Steve is working on some procedural streamlining.

12/20 Vice President Position

ZL3PAH nominated by ZL4XYZ/ZL1PK

No further nominations received.

Phil Holliday ZL3PAH appointed to Vice President position. Carried

12/21 AREC Management Team

The AREC Management team led by Jeff Sayer ZL4JS, National Director gave us an update on activities within AREC over the past year. Overall AREC is in good shape and are working on further improvements and activities.

12/26 General Business

- 1) A/PZL2MAX – consideration of a logo for promotional purposes for NZART
- 2) Radio Science Education Trust – ZL3IB/ZL2SJ wish to step down. ZL3QL is considering changing the conditions of the Trust to include marketing of amateur radio. Potential candidates for the trustee positions was discussed and will be approached.

Health & Safety legislation needs to be considered.

- 3) Gavin Bowden ETEC keen to join with NZART in a number of areas regarding training and encourage newcomers to amateur radio.

12/27 Awards for conference

- a) Jumbo Godfrey award – Lee Jennings ZL2AL, Alan Dale ZL1ABL, Colin Rowe ZL3COL
- b) Best Examination Result – D J Wilden ZL4DU 47/60 17 years old Otago Branch
- c) Rothschild Cup – Otago Branch 10 passes 2014.

Meeting closed 5pm