

Nga Kaihoe O Aotearoa (Waka Ama NZ) Inc
Annual General Meeting
16 January 2014

Don Rowlands Centre, Lake Karapiro, Meeting opened 8.05pm

Chair: Paora Howe

Minutes: Debbie Sellar

Attending

Marie Anderson – Manukau Outrigger	Moana Houkamau – Mareikura Canoe Club
David Albert – Horouta Waka Hoe Inc	Alex Ryder – Tauranga Moana
Matai Wetere – Porirua Canoe & Kayak Club	Amiria Mita – Whakatu Marae
Ngahua Mita – Horouta Waka Hoe	Paul Dahl – Te Waka Pounamu
Caren Fox – Mareikura Canoe Club	Tim Marshall – Board Member
Cherie Collison – Manukau Outriggers	Conan Herbert – Waka Ama NZ
Ralph Ruka – Te Puu Ao	Ngaro Waikato – Parihaka
Joern Scherzer – Hoe Tonga Region	Lara Collins – CEO Waka Ama NZ

Karakia Ralph Ruka welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Board's Annual Report

Paora presented his Board Chair Report and asked all present to read through. He re-iterated that Waka Ama is a whanau with a purpose and thanked the Board Members, in particular Caren Fox who is standing down at this meeting. Two new board members were announced, Trevor Shailer as the appointed Board Member who comes with experience in finances and is currently on the Olympic Committee and Cherie Collison as the newly elected member. Both will have an induction into their Board Role.

The Hall of Fame will be introduced this year to honour the past and the present, adding to our growing history. It is important to recognise the history and timeline completed by Amiria Mita.

CEO Report and Annual Financial Report

Lara presented her written report for everyone to read.

Lara thanked Caren and Paul in assisting with the sanctioning process, a huge step forward and she had received good feedback on the criteria and setting a standard for the sport.

Nana P was sadly missed and her family came to visit during the week, visiting the stations and talking to the people she had worked with.

Lara welcomed Conan Herbert and how fortunate we are to have him and his knowledge on board.

Our goals to raise awareness of water safety were successful and the online video clips are being re-mastered to air as adverts on Maori TV alongside the Sprint Nationals footage.

Flip and Float Project was also successful with 5 regions covered with the South Island, Napier and Whangarei to follow.

Our 29% growth in membership is unprecedented in New Zealand sport, it doesn't happen automatically and is the outcome of a lot of work by communities and clubs which we want to continue to assist with.

Canoe Racing visited the Sprint Nationals and were impressed by what they saw, there is a future and longevity in this partnership.

Audited Statement of Accounts

These were presented and a motion was moved to receive the accounts. CARRIED

Appointment of the Auditor

Motion to appoint William Buck Limited as Auditors for the 2013/2014 year was moved. CARRIED

Announcement of Elected and Appointed Board Members

This was covered earlier by Paora in the Board Chair Report.

Meeting declared closed 8.20pm