

SPIRITUALISM NEW ZEALAND

2023 Annual General Meeting

27 September 2023

The meeting was held on Zoom.
This is the sixth AGM of the SNZ.

Meeting opened 7.31pm

Welcome: Joanne Duncan

Opening Prayer: Tonni Pedersen

Attendees: Joanne Duncan (President), Sue Boyle (Vice-President), Lyn Herriot (Board member), Barbara Hand (Registrar), Anne Pedersen (Board member), Anne Roughton (Treasurer), Tonni Pedersen (Secretary), Richard Parker (Board member), Gail Payne (Board member), Amanda Cartridge (Board member), Jane Stephens, Andrene Hadland, Angela Barrows, Grant Forbes, Barbara Forbes, Val Johnstone.

Apologies: Annette Rundle, Susan Kirker, Kim Chamberlain.

Minutes of the 2022 AGM, held on 10 August 2022, were confirmed and accepted.

Moved: Joanne Duncan

Seconded: Amanda Cartridge

Matters Arising: None.

President's Report read by Joanne Duncan.

Moved: Joanne Duncan

Seconded: Tonni Pedersen

Discussion: Lyn suggested it would be useful to include the Instagram and Facebook work and numbers in the report. Joanne agreed to add this information to the President's report, before it is placed on the SNZ website.

Treasurer's Report was shared on screen, by Anne Roughton.

Moved: Anne Roughton

Seconded: Tonni Pedersen

Anne Roughton talked the meeting through the Financial Performance Report for the 12 months to 30 June 2023.

Questions: None.

Registrar's Report presented by Barbara Hand.

Moved: Barbara Hand

Seconded: Lyn Herriot

Discussion: Barbara is stepping down from the Registrar role. Amanda expressed gratitude and relief that Barbara is staying on the Board.

Healing Report presented by Anne Roughton.

Moved: Anne Roughton

Seconded: Tonni Pedersen

Discussion:

Andrene asked about the process for becoming a registered healer. This was explained by Anne and the SNZ website link for the healing registration process was shared on zoom.

The New Zealand Federation of Spiritual Healers has announced it will be closing this year. Richard expressed sadness to see this long-standing organisation close.

Confirmation of Board Members

SNZ Board members are elected for a three-year term. Under the SNZ Constitution, all Board members have to be re-nominated for their position every three years.

Barbara is stepping down from the Registrar's role but is staying on as Board member.

Gail Payne has, resigned and her resignation has been accepted. She was nominated for the role of Secretary.

Re-confirmation of Board members for a further three years:

Amanda Cartridge has completed her first three-year term on the Board, and is being nominated for the Registrar role.

Lyn Herriot has completed her first three-year term on the Board, and is being re-nominated.

Nomination and confirmation of two new Board members:

Angela Barrows is nominated onto the SNZ Board.

Kim Chamberlain is nominated onto the SNZ Board.

Motion:

That Amanda Cartridge is made Registrar, and Lyn Herriot is re-nominated and re-confirmed onto the SNZ Board. That Angela Barrows and Kim Chamberlain are nominated onto the SNZ Board.

Moved: Joanne Duncan Seconded: Barbara Hand.

Secretary role

Tonni Pedersen confirmed that he will remain in the Secretary role, with Anne Pedersen supporting the role by taking SNZ Board meeting minutes.

Motion: That Tonni Pedersen will continue in the role as Secretary, with Anne Pedersen taking the minutes.

Moved: Joanne Duncan Seconded: Lyn Herriot

Strategic Planning

A two-page summary of the Strategic Plan was published in the SNZ newsletter and website.

It was noted that one change is that the Thursday meditation evenings will alternate with discussion evenings (led by Angela and Amanda).

Joanne asked for feedback from the meeting about the Strategic Plan. People commented that while the Plan looked good, they would like more detail to be provided. Amanda explained that detail and timelines do sit behind the summary; and Joanne agreed that the Board will find a way to release this information more fully.

Joanne reminded people about the upcoming 2024 100-year celebrations of the Spiritualism Act being passed in New Zealand, and invited people to the zoom planning meeting.

General Business

1. Subscription rates for the financial year:

Anne Roughton read out the current membership and healer fee rates, and any changes for the year ahead.

It was noted that the healing registration fee was being increased to \$35 per annum to reflect increases in insurance premium costs.

SNZ Schedule of Fees 2023-2024

Membership Type	Notes	Fees	
Individual Member		\$50pa	
Group or Organisation without paying members	No formal membership	\$70pa	Was \$80
Organisation/Group with 2-9 members	2-9 paying members	\$55pa	Was \$50
Organisation with 10-39 members	10-39 paying members	\$70pa	
Organisation with 40-79 members	40-79 paying members	\$100pa	
Organisation with 80+ members	80+paying members	\$150pa	
Healer Applications – Provisional & Registered Healers		\$30	
Annual Practising Fees – Provisional & Registered Healers		\$35pa	Was \$30

2. The Reviewer of the SNZ Annual Accounts will be Leonie Heath.

It was noted that due to illness there is a short delay in Anne Roughton receiving the reviewed accounts.

Closing Prayer: Tonni Pedersen

Meeting closed 8.13pm