

75th Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 9th November 2021–7.00 pm

Our vision is to advance the quality of and access to podiatry

Annual General Meeting Minutes

Registered Delegates: -

Wendy Hagon

Rachael Harper

Paul Hames

Julie Allen Treena Harris Steven Parsons Adam Philps Gina Badenhorst Andrew Hawkey Sowmya Balla Stephanie Pingyin Tokhy Hoang Georgina Barr Julia Home Khan Puri Joel Bell Ann Hurley Pauline Quinn Julia Bench Julianne Jackson Cara Rountree Madeline Ruawhare Babra Bondo Narges Kanani Preeti Kaur Pauline Bowden Mark Rule Charlotte Russell Claire Kemp Lynley Boyce Matthew Carroll Whitney King Sarah Saadat Joe Cho Lawrence Kingi Anitomita Sikulu Stacey Clarke Susan Kingi Juliann Simeonidis Liz Clarke Susie Kostelijk George Smith Sean Condon Fiona Stark Jisoo Lee Tim Stewart Jenny Cousins Denise Lewins Jessica Dobbs Patricia Stowell Leah Lynch Sarah Duncan Rachel Manson Pil Sung Kang Leslie Marsh Shannon Durey Natalie Tanner Lauren Earl Rachel Matthewson Ruth Tasker Astrid Eelman Anne McCabe Judy Thompson Rachel McDonald Linda Evans Siona Tonga Shirley McGann Martin Faulkner Jeffery Trafford Kate Franken Alan Brent McKernan Susan Tran Victoria Wade Matthew Franken Lorraine McRae Mike Frecklington Yong Min Lee Hilda Wake Adeline Freitas Chavarith Mounlath Sophie Walls Erin Furness Aleesha Nana Wei (Vivian) Wang Carleen Gibbons Anthony Ng Lauren Wannenburg Chathuri Gunasekera Louise Nixon Joseph Wheeler

Alexandra Noble-Beasley

Greer Noble

Caron Orelowitz

Saima Yousufi Nuzhat Yousufi



Apologies: - Andrew Jones, Chris Peoples, Ben Lamb

Proxies: to: Matthew Franken: Ben Lamb

Lawrence Kingi welcomed members to the meeting with a Karakia

Matthew Franken Welcomed members to the meeting and declared the meeting open

He said this was the biggest turnout, almost 100 members for an AGM and thanked members for being so engaged.

He then turned the formal business of this annual general meeting.

Minutes of Previous AGM - Lawrence Kingi

There were no questions in respect of the minutes of the 74th Annual General Meeting.

The motion "that the minutes for the 74th Annual General Meeting be accepted as true and correct" was put.

Moved by Lawrence Kingi Seconded by Caron Orelowitz The motion was carried.

4. Presentation of Reports

4.i. Annual Report – Matthew Franken

Matthew Franken introduced himself saying that he spoke to the annual report which was posted to the website and sent to members via the newsletter and email. I do have a few things I want to share with you as part of our Annual Report.

After qualifying in 2001 he had worked with his podiatrist wife Kate, in Christchurch, Australia, Blenheim. He explained they during their careers, they had been employed, self-employed, employers, business owners, contractors, contract hospital Podiatrists and locums, covering nearly every aspect of podiatry including the high-risk diabetic footcare in the DHB setting, aged care and sports podiatry.

He acknowledged members who had been instrumental in shaping PodiatryNZ.

Ben Lamb, the previous chair who Matthew said was energetic, passionate and selfless in his dedication to the profession.

Caron who even after retiring from the Board in 2020, had continued to support the profession in the area of education and more recently accreditation. She was congratulated on her Queens Honour as a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit that she received earlier this year.

Board Members, Lawrence Kingi, Sarah Duncan and Rachel Harper who had been active in all clinical and governance activities while on the Board. Also thanked were Jen, Leslie, and Gary, from Butler Pelvin team.

He said that he felt life is just a lot of challenges all put together and that this can be seen in podiatry as much as normal day to day life. A perfect example being the challenges of the Covid pandemic. He explained that during last year's lockdown PodiatryNZ helped to keep the profession together with fantastic ZOOM sessions and by conveying up to date and accurate information. All of this he felt



brought the profession together closer than ever been before. He said he was incredibly proud of how our profession reacted to these challenges and I feel we came out the better for it.

Despite some incredible successes, Matthew explained there are more challenges ahead. The ongoing Covid challenge and the current health system review along with the continual changes at ACC meant that PodiatryNZ we needed to maintain the advocacy work.

He went on to say that we need to be hopeful that we can find ways to build a larger workforce in these difficult times and that we need to look for potential and come together and work together for positive change.

Matthew announced with some sadness that the Butler Pelvin team will be leaving us in February next year. He said that this had been in the planning for some time and the Board were excited by the future as they had secured and appointed a new CEO. Tonight, he said was about acknowledging the Butler Pelvin team of Jen and Leslie and Gary.

He said the Team had seen PodiatryNZ through many challenges, many triumphs, and achievements also. The profession, he said, has never been stronger or more unified. Indeed, the number of registered podiatrists had reached an all-time high of 80%. That along with a healthy bank balance and a is the ultimate testament of the Butler Pelvin legacy.

Annual Reports - Sarah Duncan

Sarah Duncan spoke to the Annual reports. She said that the accounts were audited by Dent & Heath a firm of auditors who specialise in not-for-profit associations. She said that last year, COVID negatively impacted PodiatryNZ and dropped the accumulated funds from \$238,811 to \$178,995. This year Sarah said she was pleased to report that through prudent management, we have clawed back our losses and the accumulated funds were now \$253,664.

The motion "that the financial statements and annual report of the year ended 2021" was put.

There were no points for discussion or clarification.

Moved by Rachel Harper Seconded by Wendy Hagon The motion was carried.

Board Members Introduced – Matthew Franken

Matthew explained how the Board membership works. He said PodiatryNZ can have a maximum of 7 Board members. One member can be appointed by a Maori organisation – and he noted that PodiatryNZ has been fortunate to have Lawrence Kingi in that role since 2015. He said Lawrence provides valuable insight into many worlds and I have to say even though we have a long way to go, we have taken baby steps towards a more culturally inclusive organisation.

In addition to Lawrence, three members are voted on by members. By staggering terms, Matthew explained PodiatryNZ achieves continuity of members and institutional knowledge. This year his term and Sarah Duncan's ended. They renominated and as there were no further nominations, they both received a further two-year term.

Matthew went on to say that COVID had presented difficulties for in-person Board meetings, and he acknowledged that the organisation needs to have involvement from Auckland members given that almost 50% of members reside in Auckland.



General Business - Sarah Duncan

There were no questions asked of the Board.

Close - Matthew Franken.

In closing Matthew said he had been very appreciative of the efforts of all Board members and volunteers who had put in considerable time and effort and share in the various functions and events that we undertake for members. He hoped that the coming year is not as disruptive as the last couple, although he acknowledged that PodiatryNZ had built strong, solid pillars for this profession. He said members must continue to pull together so PodiatryNZ can effectively serve all members and take the profession forward in a unified manner ensuring podiatry's survival.

