

Te Runanga Nui o Te Aupōuri Trust

Annual General Meeting Minutes

10 April 2021, 10.00 am
Pōtahi Marae, Te Kao

Trustees in attendance: Rhonda Kite (Chairman); Peter-Lucas Jones (Dep Chair); Tui Kapa (Treasurer, Secretary); Rick Witana; Ana Carpenter; Maahia Nathan; Sonny Christie (Trustees)

TACDL and TAFML Directors and TAIDT Trustees in attendance: Hinemoa Elder; Nellie-Ann Abraham; Clayton Wiki

Staff in attendance: Mariameno Kapa-Kingi (Chief Executive Officer); Chloe Cooper; Niki Conrad; Sue Cooper/Mihi Harris (scribes).

Wider attendance: Refer to the attendance list

Karakia: Ema Kaipo-Dunn

Mihimihi: Heta Conrad, Robert Kaaka, Waitai Petera

- A point of order was raised by Naina Kapa who commented that the 2019 Report was not provided and there had been a cancellation of the 2020 AGM.
- Rick Witana advised he had cancelled the AGM when he was the former Chairman and cited it was in the interest of iwi safety.
- Legal advice was received that the 2020 AGM could not be reconvened because it was cancelled and not postponed. The Booklet for 2019 and 2020 reports were circulated at the hui.
- Kahi Harawira agreed that these were valid points but also acknowledged there was a new Board.
- The point of order was noted by the Chairman, but it was not sustained, and the meeting returned to the agenda.

Resolution 01: That the apologies be accepted

Mover: Heta Conrad **Seconder:** Ngahuia Harawria

CARRIED

- Refer to apologies list

Resolution 02: That the Bereavements are acknowledged.

Mover: Girlie Clarke **Seconder:** Jacob Ashdown

CARRIED

- The names of those that had passed were read and names of others were also raised from the floor. A moment of silence was observed in respect for te hunga mate.

Chairman’s Report:

Presented by Rhonda Kite.

Resolution 03: The Chairman’s report be received.

Mover: Rhonda Kite **Seconder:** Harry Kapa **CARRIED**

Opposed: Naina Kapa, Michelle Wii, Maria Wiki, Cynthia Matthews, Roselyn Laban, Mathew Wiki, Denise Wiki, Ria Slade, John Slade

Chief Executive Officer Report:

Presented by Mariameno Kapa-Kingi.

Resolution 04: The Chief Executive Officer report is received.

Mover: Mariameno Kapa-Kingi **Seconder:** Ripeka Stensness **CARRIED**

Te Aupouri Iwi Development Trust Report:

Presented by Tui Kapa.

Resolution 05: That the Te Aupouri Iwi Development Trust report is received.

Mover: Tui Kapa **Seconder:** Nellie Abraham **CARRIED**

Opposed: Aramaera Wiki, Ngainanga Kapa, Matthew Wiki, Toni-Melanie Everitt, Maria Wiki, Denise Wiki, Ria Slade, John Slade, Tyshana Nathan, Emma Kaipō-Dunn, Roselyn Laban, Maylee Takawe.

Te Aupouri Commercial Development & Te Aupouri Fisheries Management Limited Reports:

Presented by Peter-Lucas Jones.

Apologies from Simon Mason who was unable to attend due to Covid restrictions.

Resolution 06: That the Te Aupouri Commercial Development Limited & Te Aupouri Fisheries Management Limited report be received.

Mover: Peter-Lucas Jones **Seconder:** Claire Stensness **CARRIED**

2020 Audited Financial Report & Auditor’s Report:

Presented by Angela Edwards, the Chartered Accountant, and Audit, Assurance & Advisory Partner, Māori Sector Leader from BDO.

Resolution 07: That the 2020 Audited Financial Report and Auditor’s Report from BDO are received.

Mover: Rhonda Kite **Seconder:** Penetaui Kleskovich **CARRIED**

Resolution 08: That BDO Northland are appointed as the Auditor for the Te Rūnanga Nui o Te Aupōuri and all subsidiaries.

Mover: Tui Kapa **Secunder:** Tipene Kapa-Kingi

CARRIED

There was no change to the Trustee Remuneration figure and no resolution was moved or passed.

Milford Investments:

Alistair Ross the Te Rūnanga Nui o Te Aupōuri account manager speaks to the presentation about the Te Aupōuri investments managed by Milford investments. Alistair explained that the Te Rūnanga Nui o Te Aupōuri investments have continued to grow despite the challenging times.

Strategic Plan Presentation

Presented by Nellie-Ann Abraham.

Comments from the Board of Trustees:

- Rhonda Kite Acknowledged that she is new to role of Chairman and has a background that is largely urban and brings a different range of business skills. She is committed to Te Aupōuri and made reference to her tūpuna and mother. Rhonda has been in the role less than a year and seeks the support of all Trustees.
- Board of Trustees comment that they are committed to the iwi and that they are committed to the Rūnanga, and making relationships work to support the Chairman and CEO.
- Acknowledge challenging times while on-boarding the Chairman and working through exit of the emotions of the former Chairman Rick Witana.
- The Trustees were each asked if they support the Chair and CEO.
- There was a comment that anyone who doesn't support the Chair and CEO needs to get off the Board.
- Tui Kapa speaks to the change in leadership and considers this the fundamental issue with the Board. The change in Chairman is something she acknowledges as significant, but she believes it was needed for this next phase of progression for Aupōuri. Iwi members are being caught up in the Board dynamics which is not appropriate, and members need to manage their perceived involvement in Board matters. Tui also confirmed that as Board Secretary/Treasurer she insists on transparency and that all decisions are recorded correctly.

The next Annual General Meeting is yet to be confirmed due to the change of balance date to be aligned with the business year, which is 30 June.

The meeting closed in karakia by Joe Everitt at 5.10 pm.