



**Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting of
MONTESSORI AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND**

Held via Zoom

Tuesday 9th June, 2020 7.00pm - 8.00 pm

Agenda

- Apologies
- Confirmation of Voting Members
- Confirmation of 2019 MANZ AGM minutes [click here to view](#)
- Matters Arising from the 2019 Minutes
- MANZ President's Welcome and Introduction *Page 3 of Annual Report* [click here to view Annual Report](#)
- Report on MANZ Strategic Aims (2015-19) *Page 4 of Annual Report*
- 2019 Annual Financial Reports *Page 8 of Annual Report*
- 2020 Budget *Page 10 of Annual Report*
- AGM Constitutional Remits 2020 - No remits [click here to view Constitution](#)
- Nominations/Voting MANZ Council 2020 - *No vacancies*
- Open Forum

1. WELCOME, KARAKIA

MANZ President, Gillian Somers, welcomed members to the AGM and thanked them for their attendance.

2. APOLOGIES

Schools: Steven Arnold Peace Experiment, Annette Suter Learning Edge, Pauline Matsis and Shubha Narayan Nova Montessori School and Children's House.

Individuals: Bronwyn Norman, Tesnem Couper, Roberta Coutts

Moved: Anne Marie Love

Seconded: Tania Gaffney

Carried

3. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

We had **24** people in attendance

MANZ Council Members 6 Attendees (1 vote)

Gillian Somers (President), Anne-Marie Love (Treasurer), Rose Phillips, Michela Homer, Victoria Denyer, Krista Kerr

MANZ School Members (1 vote = 5)

School Members 15 Attendees

BestStart Montessori Bethlehem (Victoria Denyer)

Daisy Cottage Montessori (Fenella Wilson)

Eastern Suburbs Montessori Primary School (Rose Phillips)

Fountain City (Rowena Harper)

Glendowie Montessori Preschool (Carol Potts)

Kauri Montessori Preschool (Susan Watson)

Montessori at Moturoa Primary School (Gillian Somers)

Montessori Children's House Wanaka (Anne-Marie Love)

Montessori@Berhampore School - Pacific Primary Montessori Education Trust (Dimitra Pantazis)

Montessori@Otari Preschool (Florence Lasnier)

Nelson Montessori Preschool (Nissa Mowjood)

New Plymouth Montessori School (Gillian Somers)

Ōrākei Montessori Preschool (Pauline Roberts)

Wā Ora Montessori School (Ava Szabo)

MANZ Individual Members (1 vote)

Individual Members 8 Attendees

Carol Potts

Dimitra Pantazis

Gillian Somers

Jan Gaffney

Pam Shand

Rose Phillips

Tania Gaffney

Todd M. Rigg Carriero

Other people in attendance

Cathy Wilson (MANZ Executive Officer)

Charmaine Brown (Admin & Accounts)

Anna Mclean, Wā Ora Montessori School

Robin Wilkins, Wā Ora Montessori School

Kerry Pratchett, BestStart

Proxy votes

None

4. CONFIRMATION OF 2019 MANZ AGM MINUTES

Moved that the minutes of the 36rd Annual General Meeting be approved as a true and correct record.

Moved: Carol Potts
Seconded: Tania Gafney
Carried

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM 2019 MINUTES
None

6. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
Gillian Somers, MANZ President, gave a brief outline of her report which was in the 2019 Annual Report and available to all members prior to the AGM.

Moved: Gillian Somers
Seconded: Anne Marie Love
Carried

7. REPORT ON MANZ STRATEGIC AIMS (2015-19)
Cathy Wilson, Executive Officer, gave an outline of the progress made against the Strategic Aims as reported in the Annual Report. This was made available to members prior to AGM.

Moved: Rowena Harper
Seconded: Jan Gaffney
Carried

8. 2019 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND 2020 BUDGET
Anne-Marie Love, MANZ Treasurer, gave a brief outline of the 2019 Annual Financial Statements from the 2019 Annual Report and available to all members prior to the AGM.

ACTION: Rowena Harper noticed a budget error in total income-Budget 2020. This will need to be amended (the Professional Development Budget line for 2020 should read \$21,457 not \$141,457). Completed 10 June 2020, a new Annual Report has been uploaded to the website. View here:
http://www.montessori.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Montessori_2020-Annual-Report_Apr20-FINAL-2.pdf

Moved: Anne-Marie Love moved the 2019 Annual Report be accepted.
Seconded: Nissa Mowjood

Moved: Anne-Marie Love moved the 2020 Budget with the amendment to be made to the PLD line.
Seconded: Todd M. Rigg Carriero
Carried

9. MANZ nominated Ashton Wheeler be appointed to review the accounts for 2021.
Moved: Anne-Marie Love
Seconded: Fenella Wilson
Carried

10. AGM REMITS

No remits for 2020

11. NOMINATIONS FOR MANZ COUNCIL

No Council positions available.

12. Open Forum

1. Email from Bronwyn Norman which Cathy Wilson read out.
2020 has been a year to remember. Thankyou for being a resilient community. Resilience is valued highly, and now we know why.....There have been winners and losers during COVID-19 and lockdown.

I hope and pray Montessori is a winner.

Best regards

Bronwyn Norman

(Individual member)

2. Todd M. Rigg Carriero asked if the Orakei Montessori Primary Unit was still running. Cathy shared that the leader of the Montessori Unit had left at the end of 2019. She had been advised at the beginning of 2020 that the Unit had been absorbed into the mainstream of the school. The school was hoping to bring in a primary teacher from overseas. However, with the pandemic Cathy was not sure if this was still happening. Pauline Roberts advised that she had been talking with the principal of Orakei Primary school and he is confident that the Montessori Unit will be re-established for the commencement of term 1, 2021.
3. Todd M. Rigg Carriero stated that Harbour Montessori College has had an increase in enrolments and it is a good secondary option in the neighbourhood for Aucklanders.

Signed by MANZ President as a true record of the meeting.



Gillian Somers

Date 9 June 2020