

**New Zealand Institute of Dental Technologists
held at Rydges, Christchurch at 4.30pm, 10th October 2008**

Minutes – AGM 2008

1. Apologies

Bryan Cammell, Greg Annabelle, Audrey Yee, Rudy Horst, Ian Mercer, Ashley Hughes, Wayne Caldwell

2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 5^h October 2007, held in Auckland

Move that these be accepted

Craig / Steve Russell

3. Matters Arising

MOU: Agreed to sign this but haven't done so yet. It is in the process of happening. We were unaware of a consultation policy that was passed in August last year. This has improved our ability to move forward.

Chris Bell was at the meeting

4. Presidents Annual Report

Introduction from Executive:

Craig Metcalfe expressed thanks and recognition to the executive and acknowledged the work done by them all.

CPD – You can now use the database to submit requests for points for group discussions about specific work. You will be able to record points, including the points for conference

CORA – significant differences between the States in Australia – being involved is important to stay up with the play

Voting online – this has been set up so we can know precisely what members want

Strategic planning: Executive are looking towards roles for the executive. It will mean a contact person on executive is appointed to deal with specific matters.

Vincent Bennani was a guest speaker at the 2007 Auckland conference. He is running a course later this year that NZIDT are organising.

APC increase – it is time to settle the account. We have received a formal apology from the Dental Council and feel this is a good step forward. Looking at future issues and are yet to enter into these things.

Andrew Devine: Strategic Plan: Executive is aiming to become more efficient. We have tried to isolate roles so we can achieve more and improve the communication. When new members come on to

executive they will take on specific roles. Roles will be on the website.

Steve Russell : ACC are doing a review. The review is still going, we have made a submission and it is looking favourable.

Move the report be accepted

Craig Metcalfe/ Steve Hellberg

5. Financial Report

To approve and adopt the budget for year 1 June 2008 to 31 May 2009

Earlier this year we became GST registered. After having the statement prepared it was noted that we needed to backdate the GST registration. This means that the accounts need to be returned to the accountant to be corrected. Therefore the treasurer is not in a position to present these accounts. They will be presented to executive once returned by the accountant and posted on the website.

6. Election of Officers

Keith Pine – nominated by Neil Waddell / Danny O'sullivan (accepted)

John Batchelor – Andreas Janello / Ryan Carleton (Johanna Hearn accepted for John Batchelor)

Tracy Burke – Barry Albury /Paul Burgess - declined

No need for a vote

7. General Business

Motions

1. Barry Albury / Lynn Mabey passed
2. automatic due to last one
3. Craig Metcalfe / Andrew Devine passed
4. Craig Metcalfe / Andrew Devine passed
5. Craig Metcalfe / Andrew Devine passed
6. Craig Metcalfe / Andrew Devine passed
7. Peter Boekhout / Neil Carlisle passed – 19 abstained
8. Franz Geller /
9. Franz Geller
10. Franz Geller
11. Franz Geller
12. Franz Geller
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14. Franz Geller
15. Franz Geller
16. Franz Geller

17. Andreas Janello / Andrew Devine	not carried	31 abstained
18. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell	not carried	
19. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell	not carried	1 abstained
20. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell rewording to vote on this again.	not carried	a large number of abstainers – could look at
21. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell	carried	
22. Andreas Janello / Lee Carlisle	carried	
23. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell	not carried	in present form
24. Andreas Janello / withdrawn		
25. Andreas Janello / Brian Carleton	not carried	large number abstained
26. Andreas Janello / Brian Carleton	not carried	large number abstained
27. Andreas Janello / Steve Russell	carried	
28. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell	not carried	large number abstained

Motions from the floor to be voted on-line:

Move that any motions put to NZIDT are to be looked at by the executive and returned to the person for re-wording if necessary. Paul Pearce / Neil Waddell

Move that we have a meeting with DTAG as soon as possible to improve the communication between the two groups. Keith Pine / Andreas Janello

Move that we investigate having affiliate disciplines that can become members Andrew Devine / Neil Waddell

Move that an option is offered to all NZIDT members to have their email contacts available in order to facilitate democratic processes and discussion. Andreas Janello / Doug Mitchell

Paul Pearce – if the person is not here we should not vote on it.

Move that we look at rewording the motions that need to be and readdress these. Craig Metcalfe will discuss what needs to be worked on with Franz with a view to voting on line
Craig Metcalfe /
voted and passed

Move that we explore the option that NZIDT become an agent for an insurance company of our choice. John Allen / Wendy MacMillan

Request from Neil Waddell for crowns for testing for research

Meeting closed at 6.35pm

Motions for NZIDT AGM 10 October 2008

Motions put forward by: Barry Albury

1. That all past presidents receive automatic life membership to NZIDT.
2. That Graham Goulter, Sherrian Barr and Wendy McMillan receive Life Membership.

Motions put forward by: Craig Metcalfe

3. NZIDT undertakes to formulate a comprehensive set of standards of practice for its members to work to.
4. NZIDT designs its standards of practice with the aim of producing workable solutions that reflect the intent of the HPCA act.
5. NZIDT act on the behalf of all members in protecting their entitlement to work under NZIDT standards of practice.
6. NZIDT works with the regulatory authority to define criteria standards to assess and resolve concerns for public safety.

Peter Boekhout

7. That NZIDT form a panel or committee that responds on behalf of the membership to ethical and potentially confrontational issues that need to be resolved.

Motions put forward by: Franz Thomas Geller

8. That NZIDT should incorporate DTAG's complaints with unequivocal attention to the specific interests of both dental technicians and clinical dental technicians. If the NZIDT wants to represent ALL dental technicians then non-clinical technicians need proper representation within the NZIDT.
9. That NZIDT should ensure that democratic principles govern votes for scope specific matters. Each scope can vote only pertaining to that very scope. Clear distinction needs to take place of the different scopes of practice (clinical vs. non-clinical), of the varying requirements of CPD, of the different requirements for public safety and health and of the diverse needs in student education and training. The two groups need individual rules. This distinction must influence which policies we vote for in order to do justice to both professions. Each profession will have to be able to vote on scope-specific issues. At the same time, we can submit common matters of both clinical and non-clinical professions to authorities in unity. If this channelling of forces could take place, we would have a unified representation that would serve the whole profession and the NZ public.
10. That the NZIDT supports mandatory disclosure (informed consent) for dentists and laboratories of place of manufacture/country of origin for all technical work sold to the patient. (Comprehensive research by organisations like NADL underpins our major

concerns for public health and safety regarding contamination and standards of foreign dental products). Without regulation, any registered dental technician or laboratory can import ultra-cheap 'restorations' and then repack and resell these, at whatever undercut rate the market allows or necessitates. It makes sense that all standards of such work must be highly questionable. Even worse is the fact that any layperson can import these goods and then sell to any dentist lured by cheap technical work. Patients have a right to informed consent and proper information about important aspects of their treatment. It is urgent that a disclosure of country of origin/place of manufacture be mandatory for any dentist and dental technician selling a restoration.

11. That NZIDT discusses and plans a public awareness campaign in order to raise public discernment about imported technical products.
12. That NZIDT supports that only registered dental technicians can sell dental products, in order to prohibit lay operations, which try to circumnavigate compliance, and in order to maintain proper quality standards.
13. That differences in scope (clinical vs. non-clinical) find representation in the registration processes and CPD requirements.
14. That NZIDT supports the review and restructure of dental technician training and education (discussions about apprenticeship and block tuition).
15. That NZIDT supports the quest that the DCNZ provides comprehensive financial reporting, allows accounting scrutiny, and monitors expenses by comprehensive accounting principles.
16. That NZIDT acknowledges that highly skilled NZ dental technicians provide an essential source for proper technological queries and patient safety for NZ dental health practitioners. Therefore, we need to avert any motion to dilute this source of knowledge.

Andreas Janello

17. That a vote of non-confidence is cast in regard to the DCNZ's governance.
18. That a review of the Dental Act and the HPCAA shall be undertaken with special attention to the differences of scope of clinical and non-clinical dental technicians.
19. That NZIDT acknowledges DTAG's agenda by proportional representation and quota seats of DTAG members in the NZIDT executive.
20. That on scope specific matters each scope can vote only pertaining to that very scope.
21. That the NZIDT supports mandatory disclosure for dentists and laboratories of place of manufacture/country of origin for all technical work sold to a client or patient
22. That the NZIDT discusses and plans a public awareness campaign in order to raise

public discernment about imported technical products.

23. That the NZIDT supports that only registered dental technicians can sell dental products.
24. That the NZIDT supports that differences in scope (clinical vs. non-clinical) find representation in consultation processes, the registration processes and CPD requirements.
25. That the public be assisted with a professional nomenclature, distinguishing the two different scopes of dental technicians.
26. That the NZIDT supports the review and restructure of dental technician training and education (discussions about apprenticeship and block tuition).
27. That NZIDT requests that the DCNZ provides comprehensive financial reporting, allows accounting scrutiny and cost management.
28. That NZIDT acknowledges that highly skilled NZ dental technicians provide an essential source for proper technological queries and patient safety for NZ dental health practitioners. Therefore any motion to dilute this source of knowledge ought to be averted.