



Diabetes Wellington Incorporated Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 26th July 2022, 7:30pm

Pelorus Trust Sports House, 93 Hutt Park Road, Moera, Lower Hutt

1. Welcome

Ian Dempster (Chair) welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which commenced at 7.30pm.

2. Attendance and apologies for absence

A quorum of attendance was reached.

Attendance in person at the meeting was noted on the sign-in sheet. This was the first AGM where members could also attend and place votes by Zoom (with Jonathan Bhana-Thomson acting as moderator).

In addition to the Chair), other Committee Members in attendance were: Blair Johnson; Julie Artus; and Bob Hall. Life Members Jonathan Bhana-Thomson and Ian Macdonald were also present.

Apologies for absence were noted, including from Peggy Bhana-Thomson. [Moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Julie Artus; all in favour.]

3. Confirmation of Minutes of 2021 AGM and matters arising

Ian moved to adopt last year's minutes as a true and correct record. [Adoption of minutes moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Jonathan Bhana-Thomson; all in favour.]

4. Annual Report for the Society for 2021/22 (for adoption)

Ian presented the annual report for 2021/22. He acknowledged with grateful thanks the work of: staff in the office – Peggy, Lauren, and Halina; volunteers who give up their time to assist at the Centre; Newsletter editors - Jonathan and Jo; and members of the Committee. Ian paid particular tribute to the incredible contribution made by Peggy Bhana-Thomson and wished her a happy and fulfilling retirement. He noted the process was underway to recruit a new Field Officer, but acknowledged the challenge of filling the space left by Peggy. [Adoption of Annual Report 2021/22 moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Bob Hall; all in favour.]



5. Annual Financial Accounts to 31 March 2022 (for adoption)

Blair Johnson the Treasurer presented the financial report. He described the challenging financial environment associated with the continuing impact of COVID, and noted that grant revenue had drifted downwards. However, overall there was a positive outcome for 2021/22 compared to budget, with a higher surplus recorded than for the prior year. He acknowledged that this was in large part due to three substantial legacies received by the Society with appreciation and that without those a loss would have been recorded. [Adoption of Annual Financial Accounts to 31 March 2022 moved by Blair Johnson; seconded by Julie Artus; all in favour.]

6. Presentation of 2022/23 budget (for adoption)

Blair Johnson the Treasurer presented the draft budget for 2022/23. He highlighted the key assumption that only confirmed grant income is accounted for, leading to a year end deficit position forecast of -\$93,514. After three-months of operating in the current 2022/23 financial year, the year end forecast is presently +\$72,343. [Adoption of budget for 2022/23 moved by Bob Hall; seconded by Ian Dempster; all in favour.]

7. Appointment of Auditor

Ian Dempster reported that Accounting for Charities has been used by the Society as auditor for the past five years. [Blair Johnson moved to continue using Accounting for Charities as auditors; seconded by Jonathan Bhana-Thomson; all in favour.]

8. Election of Officers and Committee Members

The people were nominated and appointed to roles on the Committee:

Chair:

Ian Dempster [Moved by Blair Johnson; seconded by Julie Artus; all in favour.]

Secretary:

Julie Artus [Moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Bob Hall; all in favour.]

Treasurer:

Ian Dempster reported that Blair Johnson was retiring from the role of Treasurer, and he thanked Blair for his hard work and commitment over the past four years. Blair noted that an accountancy student (Divangini Shukra) had volunteered to step up to the role.

Divangini Shukra [Moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Bob Hall; all in favour.]

Committee Member:

Bob Hall [Moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Julie Artus; all in favour.]



9. General Business

Life Membership for Peggy Bhana-Thomson:

Ian Macdonald was called upon to propose the award of Life Membership to Peggy Bhana-Thomson who had recently retired. Ian paid tribute to Peggy's significant hard-work and dedication shown over a period of 25 years. Peggy made a huge difference to the lives of many people with diabetes in Wellington, and had supported many of those when first diagnosed. With her incredible enthusiasm and energy, Peggy had been the face of the organisation for over two-and-a-half decades; her contribution was valued hugely and would be missed. [Award of life membership to Peggy Bhana-Thomson moved by Ian Dempster; seconded by Ian Macdonald; all in favour.]

10. Closure of Annual General Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

11. Guest Speaker – Tutangi Amataiti

Tutangi Amataiti gave an informative and very interesting presentation entitled: 'Tips and ideas to add to your tool kit for living with diabetes'. She outlined the status of some of the latest dietary research to support effective management of diabetes and showcased some on-line applications and tools that may be useful. The talk was followed by a lively discussion and lots of questions from members of the audience.

Tutangi has over 18 years' experience working as a dietitian mostly in the area of diabetes, in both NZ and the UK. She is currently a PhD student and the Allied Professions Lead for Pacific Health across the Wellington and Hutt Valley Hospitals.

Signature:

Date:
