



Special General Meeting Minutes

DATE 19th November 2016

VENUE Wellington Airport Conference Centre

The meeting opened at 09:15. The Meeting was chaired by Peter Wilson, FMC President.

The following clubs were present with delegates as listed. Allocated proxy votes are also recorded.

CLUB	DELEGATE	PROXY
Auckland Tramping Club	Sally Johannesson (x3)	Erik Bradshaw
Buller Tramping Club		Pat Holland
Canterbury University Tramping Club	Tania Seward	
Golden Bay Alpine and Tramping Club		Pat Holland, Erik Bradshaw
Geraldine Tramping Club		Jan Finlayson
Heretaunga Tramping Club		Anthony Behrens (2) Robin McNeill
Hokonui Tramping Club		
Hutt Valley Tramping Club	Dennis Page (3)	
Katikati Tramping Club		Sally Johannesson
Kaumatua Tramping Club	David Weston (2)	
Manakau Tramping Club	Geoff Glover (2)	
Marlborough Tramping Club	Kerry Millard (2)	
Manawatu Tramping and Skiing Club	John Beech (3)	
Masterton Tramping Club	Julie Millar	
Napier Tramping Club		John Beech
Nelson Tramping Club	Pat Holland	
North Otago Tramping and Mountaineering Club		David Barnes Owen Cox (2)
New Zealand Alpine Club	Erik Bradshaw (3), Robin McNeill (2), Jan Finlayson (3), Tania Seward (2)	
Over Forties Tramping Club		Tania Seward (2) John Beech, Robin McNeill
Otago Tramping and Mountaineering Club	David Barnes (3)	
Otago University Tramping Club	Nick Plimmer (2)	
Parawai Tramping Club	Owen Cox	
Palmerston North Tramping and Mountaineering Club	Anthony Behrens	
Pukekohe Tramping Club		Julie Millar

South Wairarapa Tramping Club		Julie Millar
Southland Tramping Club	Robin McNeill	
Taumaranui Tramping Club		David Barnes
Taupo Tramping Club		Sally Johannesson
Temuka Tramping Club		Jan Finlayson
Upper Clutha Tramping Club		Nick Plimmer
Waimea Tramping Club		Nick Plimmer
Waitaki Ski Club	Nick Plimmer	

The following observers were present at the AGM with affiliation shown where known:

Phil Glasson – Parawai Tramping Club
 Ric Balfour – Waikato Tramping Club
 Jamie Stewart – FMC Administrator

Apologies

Rob Mitchell - NZAC/Howick Tramping Club

Welcome

Peter Wilson welcomed the delegates and outlined some of the key challenges facing FMC.

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 84th AGM

THAT the minutes of the 84th AGM be approved

(Pat Holland/Dennis Page) CARRIED

Formal Motions

THAT Rule 6 (k) be deleted and replaced by:

6(k) The office of President may not be held by any one person for more than three (3) consecutive terms. Where a person is appointed to the position of President under Rule 6(e) then the period from the date of appointment to the close of polling for the next election of President / Vice President shall not count as part of the 3 consecutive terms.

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

THAT the following new clause 6(l) as detailed below be added to Rule 6 and present Rule 6(l) and 6(m) be renumbered to 6(m) and 6(n) respectively:

6(l) Where the number of nominations is less than or equal to the number of vacancies and therefore no poll is required then the Returning officer shall declare the results of the election on the day specified in Rule 6 g(iii).

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

THAT the present Rule 8(a) be deleted and replaced with the new Rule 8(a) which reads:

- 8(a) General Meetings may be convened from time to time
- (i) The Executive may call a General Meeting at any time provided four weeks notice of the date, venue of the meeting and the business to be transacted be sent to all clubs
 - (ii) The Executive shall call a General Meeting on receipt in writing of a requisition stating the particulars of business to be discussed, from not fewer than three (3) Member Clubs, not less than one (1) month after receipt of such requisition. Notice of such meeting giving particulars of business to be discussed shall be given to Member Clubs and Associates within ten days of the receipt of the requisition.
 - (iii) At any such General Meeting only the business of which notice has been given may be discussed

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

THAT the present rule 10(b) be deleted and replaced with new clauses 10(b), 10(c) and 10 (d) as detailed below and the present rule 10(c) be renumbered to 10(e).

- 10(b) The Executive will ensure that all aspects of the Financial Policy are consistently applied.
- 10(c) The Executive will ensure that a set of Annual Accounts will be prepared each year and that the Annual Accounts will be made available to all members before the last day of May\
- 10(d) The Executive may at its discretion or on receipt of a written request from not less than 3 member clubs conduct a review of it's Annual Accounts. The Executive shall have the sole power to determine whether such a review will be a Financial Review or a full Audit.

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

THAT the present Rule 6(i) be deleted and replaced with new rule 6(i) which reads:

- 6(i) Executive members shall be financial members of Clubs which are members of the Federation or shall be financial Supporters in any approved Supporter category of the Federation.

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

THAT the FMC Affiliation fee increases as proposed to clubs in correspondence on the 19th of July, and indicated below are approved.

Full Declaration Clubs: \$15 for 1st 500 members (was \$10)

\$8 for 2nd 500 members (was \$5)
\$1 for Over 1001 members (was \$1) (there are no clubs in this category)

Partial Declaration Clubs: \$17 for 1st 500 members (was \$12)
\$10 for 2nd 500 members (was \$7)
\$1.50 for Over 1001 members (was \$1)

There was discussion regarding the FMC affiliation fee structure, which includes fully and partially affiliated clubs, with discounted rates for clubs with over 500, and then also 1000 members. The fee structure was introduced in 2012 to increase transparency, and was designed at the time to be “revenue neutral”.

After this time, FMC’s need to raise fees was masked by an increased funding contribution from the Maerewhenua Trust, and also through a lack of capacity to undertake the advocacy and promotion required. The employment of part-time staff and a consequent budgeted deficit, as well as the desire to apply the Maerewhenua Trust funding to concrete outcomes sparked the need for an affiliation fee rise.

Several delegates raised concerns from clubs over the discounted rates to larger clubs, these concerns were acknowledged and responses given, including a response that emphasised the large contribution made by these clubs (there are two) to FMC, and the fact that this contribution under the current affiliation fee changes will increase substantially.

Several delegates also raised concerns regarding the one-off increase, and the need for stepped increases in the future.

(Moved from Chair) CARRIED

The meeting closed at 10:00am