

NZSA Executive Committee Meeting

1-2, 5 June

Present: Jennifer Brown (President), Richard Penny (secretary), Alasdair Noble, Carl Scarrott, Harold Henderson, Ian Westbrooke, James Curran, John Haywood, Judith Archibald, Mike Doherty, Nathaniel Pihama, Roger Littlejohn.

Apologies: Steve Haslett, David Harte, David Fletcher, Judi McWhirter, Esther Meenken, James Reilly

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
2. President's Report (Jennifer Brown)
3. Correspondence (Richard Penny)
Usual
4. Financial Report (Judi McWhirter)
Report sent, but Richard not at work to enable forwarding to committee
5. Membership (Harold Henderson)

MOTION: That the following be elected as members of the NZSA by the Executive:

Ordinary members: Christian Vernon Mogol, Maoxin Luo, Verina Yuan, Eleanor Guzman-Posadas, Finlay Thompson, Vladimir Obolonkin, Gemma Leman, Frances Krsinich, Chen Chen, James Degnan

Students: Xiang Weng, Erika Ramirez Tunjo, Xin Zhao, Amanda Gibson

MOVED: Harold Henderson/

PASSED

6. ANZJS (Roger Littlejohn)
 - On-line submission of manuscripts now functional. Add a little to expenses but better control
 - NZSA capitation fee possibly a little too high
 - Session on ANZJS at 2009 conference to give big picture to all members
7. Guidelines for Use of NZSA Conference Profits (Jennifer Brown)
 - deferred to next meeting as need to find previous guidelines
8. 2009 Conference (John Haywood)
 - Going well. 7-8 overseas submissions already
 - Web site up an running
 - Roger to look after student travel grants – agreed to be \$80
 - Young Statisticians meeting to be Tuesday evening to prevent conflict with AGM
9. 2009 AGM (Jennifer Brown)
 - To be held late Wednesday prior to dinner
 - Some discussion of what is necessary such as President's report
 - Richard to be central coordinator in terms of documents to members
10. 2010 Conference (Alasdair Noble)
 - Organising committee set up
11. Royal Society Mathematics and Information Sciences Committee (James Curran)
 - Badly organised & heavily focussed on maths education

- Committee supposed to be reviewed, but details unknown
- No-one in NZSA seems be aware of what they do even though we would appear to be in that subject matter area

12. Newsletter (Esther Meenken)

- Nothing to report.
- Committee commented how good recent Newsletter was. Alasdair noted that on-line Newsletter was updated periodically with news on NZ statistics.

13. Awards (Roger Littlejohn)

- There was a nomination for the Campbell Award. This is a first as awards committee has nominated in the past. With some good candidates it was recommended that Campbell Award and possible honorary life membership may be awarded in 2009 and 2010.

14. Education (Alasdair Noble)

- Sent minutes of last meeting
- Achievement standards level 2 set
- Primary – tried to improve, but standards seem to miss the point. So Ed committee to put in response by submission date

15. Science Fairs (Alasdair Noble)

- StatsNZ confirmed their contribution to prize pool and expressed preference for not too much division of prizes. Either \$50 single or 2 \$30 book vouchers with \$60 from NZSA

16. Local Groups

- Wellington Group (David Harte)

Report from John Haywood.

Few talks and conference keeping Wellington group busy. However John Maindonald in November

- "Canterbury Tails" (Carl Scarrott)

Web site planned to be live July 10

17. Young Statisticians (Nathaniel Pihama)

- Had a go at putting something on web site, which didn't work well
- YS meeting at NZSA, planning to have Matt Wand as speaker

18. SAPQC (James Reilly)

- No report

19. Other Business

- Charities registration. James Curran to follow up as well a tax status of donations
- Web site – add to next meeting's agenda.

Next meeting Friday 14 August 1-2.

APPENDIX II Correspondence

Royal Society of NZ – Voting papers for Vice-President (International)

Australian National Curriculum Board – thanking us for our submission

Newsletters of ISI, RSS, ORSNZ

The Europa World of Learning – update society officer details

Bulletin #1 for 2009 ISI meeting

NZ Meeting News