

NZSA Executive Committee Meeting

Monday 5 March 2012

Meeting Began 12:01

Present: Austina Clark, Thomas Yee, Harold Henderson, Catherine Lloyd-West, James Curran, Martin Hazelton, Alan Vandal, Steve Haslett, Steven Miller, Alasdair Noble, Ivy Liu, Carl Scarrott, John Haywood, Richard Penny, Judy McWhirter, Ian Westbrooke

Apologies: Vanessa Cave, Peter Smith, James Reilly, Jennifer Brown

- 1) Minutes of the previous meeting accepted, with the proviso that Alain Vandal was in attendance.
- 2) President's Report (James Curran) An approach from Helen McGillivray to expand the teaching conference OZcots to ANZcots, and hold a meeting jointly with the NZSA in 2013, and NZSA 2013 in general, was discussed. The initial proposal is to hold the meeting at U Waikato, perhaps in concert with AgResearch, because historically Waikato has hosted the fewest meetings.
- 3) Correspondence (Beatrix Jones)

a) RSS News, NZ meeting newz,

b) Royal Society: Constituent organization meeting minutes, Report on Engagement with Government and Parliament, Charles Fleming Fund Call for Applications, Capitation of \$4 per member.

Discussion summary: despite the shortcomings of the RSNZ, we must continue to belong so we can have our say. We are the largest society in the Physical Sciences branch.

c) Charities commission: Proposed disestablishment of Charities commission, duties given to Dept Internal Affairs. Partial Annual Reports no longer accepted.

- 4) Membership (Harrold Henderson) report attached; new members were accepted by vote. Hoare Research to be offered corporate membership because of their ongoing sponsorship (same deal as SAS).
- 5) ANZJS (Steve Haslett)
 - a) James has the forms to renew the contract with Wiley. Kerrie Mengerson (SSAI) has already signed these. James will sign and return to Neville Bartlett to pass back to Wiley Blackwell.
 - b) Wiley continues to catch up on publishing delayed caused by production

changes.

c.) There are a few new AE's to better match the AE's expertise with the type of submissions being received.

d) There are currently two disputes, one about a book written by Joseph Hilbe and reviewed by Chris Lloyd, which after consideration by the editors and discussions with the ANZJS Management Committee over possible liability will be published, and one (Radice/Robinson) about disputed authorship for a paper provisionally accepted by ANZJS.

e) There will soon be a change of Managing Editor Alan Welsh, and James Curran will become the Applications Editor.

f) Martin Hazelton and Michael Martin will continue as the Theory and Methods Editors. Martin has agreed to take over the ANZJS slot on the NZSA exec --starting mid-year.

6) 2012 Conference (Austina Clark) see attached report.

7) A proposal to produce conference proceedings for the NZSA meeting, jointly with the Australasian applied statistics conference, has been received from Springer. It was voted to decline this proposal.

8) Newsletter (Steven Miller) It will come out soon.

9) Awards (Martin Hazleton) see attached report.

10) Financial Report (Judi McWhirter) Financial Report accepted. Invoice for capitation for Royal Society of New Zealand to be forwarded to Judy.

11) Education (Alasdair Noble) Exec voted to approve \$1250 to sponsor a speaker at the NZAMT conference October 2nd – 5th, 2013, named 'Absolutely Positively Mathematics and Statistics.' Update: Alan Rossman from Cal Poly will be invited.

12) Science Fairs (Alasdair Noble) Exec voted to approve a \$60 prize for each fair.

13) Local Groups

. 13.1. Wellington Group (John Haywood) Events include a talk by Peter Jupp (U St. Andrews), more events to celebrate David Vere-Jones

. 13.2. "Canterbury Tails" (Carl Scarrott) The Canturbury group is hoping for a more settled year with some events, although none are yet planned.

14) Young Statisticians (Catherine Lloyd West----- Welcome Catherine) Local Representatives have been recruited in the major centers, including a young stats rep for the NZSA conference in Otago (Daniel Turek), so the conference should include a young statisticians event.

15) SAPQC The inactivity of SAPQC over recent years has been noted. Exec to discuss a new convenor; Steve Haslett suggested the role of SAPQC in the society also be discussed at AGM.

16) Other Business

Steven Miller has signed us up as a participating organization for the "International Year of Statistics." (<http://www.statistics2013.org/>) This is free to any organization and creates no particular obligation. However it is hoped some New Zealand events can be planned.

Meeting ended 12:55.

Reports:

Membership

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NZSA Membership Report 5 March 2012

New members since 4 November 2011

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

Ordinary members

Anna-Marie Martin, Amanda Hughes, Giles Reid, Laura O'Sullivan, Alan Keegan, Evan Caygill, Ryan Buchanan

Students

Sophia Leon de la Barra, Melody Humphreys, Shelly Wadhwa

Moved: Harold Henderson/James Curran

Membership

Membership at 5 March 2012 is 435, with changes since 4 November 2011 in parentheses:

	NZ	overseas	
Ordinary	289 (6)	32	
Student	67 (2)	1	
Retired	16	5	
Honorary	12		
SSA member	4	7	
Corporate	2		
	390 (8)	45	435 (8)

2 have resigned (or died) and 10 have joined. (Some may have also moved categories.)

"Online only"

162 (38%) of the 424 NZSA-only members have elected "online only" for the journal.
SSAI had 71% of their 686 members in Feb 2011 "online only".
NZSA & SSAI combined are about 60% "online only".

Subs

2011 AGM set base rate for subs 1 April 2012 - 31 March 2013 at \$80 (unchanged from last year):

\$NZ	NZ	Overseas
Ordinary	80	85
Student & Retired	40	45
No paper journal (electronic only)	-5	
SSAI Member	50	55
Student and retired half base rate		
Overseas add \$5 for newsletter postage		
SSAI Member rate depends on capitation fee		

Membership renewals will be emailed out in the first week of April 2013.

Harold Henderson

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Net Worth

As of 29/02/2012

Account	Total
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Assets	
Bank and Cash Accounts	
BNZ Cheque	28,922.61
BNZ Cheque Wgtn	863.12
Campbell Fund	56,313.52
Term Deposit	25,338.70
Total Bank and Cash Accounts	111,437.95
Total Assets	111,437.95
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Liabilities	
Other Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	0.00
Total Other Liabilities	0.00
Total Liabilities	0.00
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Net Worth	111,437.95

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Income and Spending

Between 1/04/2011 and 29/02/2012

Sub-category	Total
<u>Income Categories</u>	
Investment Income	
Interest	2,133.52
Total Investment Income	2,133.52
Other Income	
Advertising	250.00
Sponsorship	1,500.00
Subscriptions	25,050.00
Total Other Income	26,800.00
Total Income Categories	28,933.52
<u>Expense Categories</u>	
Administration	225.42
Bank Charges	
Charges	25.00
Service Charge	417.42
Total Bank Charges	442.42
Conference	
Student Travel	700.00
Total Conference	700.00
Grants	
Campbell Fund	1,750.00
Total Grants	1,750.00
ISLP 2011	
Prizes	1,200.00
Total ISLP 2011	1,200.00
Journal	
Capitation	12,133.89
Total Journal	12,133.89
Newsletter	1,609.13
Science Fairs	1,020.00
Sponsorship	
Student prizes	1,000.00
Total Sponsorship	1,000.00
Total Expense Categories	20,080.86
Grand Total	8,852.66

NZSA 2012 Conference

The 2012 Conference website is up (<http://www.maths.otago.ac.nz/nzsa2012/>) and linked to the Australasian Applied Statistics Conference 2012 in Queenstown (see <http://www.aasc2012.com/>)

The plenary speakers for NZSA 2012 have been invited and agreed as follows:

2. Thomas Lumley (University of Auckland)
3. Roger Payne (VSN International, UK)
4. Alastair Scott (University of Auckland)
5. Patty Solomon (University of Adelaide)

Registration fees and deadlines are still being finalised. Details will appear soon on the conference webpage.

We have secured some chocolate donation from Cadbury and discount vouchers for the factory tour, but no cash donation!!

Austina

NZSA Awards Committee: Report to the Executive Committee Meeting of 5 March 2012

Awards Committee Membership

Martin Hazelton (Convenor)
James Curran (ex officio NZSA President)
Harold Henderson

Campbell Award

An invitation for nominations for the 2012 Campbell Award will be posted in May.

Extended citations for the 2011 Campbell Award winners, Roger Littlejohn and Alastair Scott, are in preparation. These will appear in due course in the Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics.

Campbell Bequest Fund Awards

No recent activity.

Martin Hazelton
28 February 2012

Science Fairs:

These will be running again this year. I will be seeking a \$60 prize for each fair. There are up to 23 fairs. Statistics New Zealand provided \$40 of book tokens per fair as well as certificates and posters advertising SNZ and NZSA, I will be contacting SNZ soon to get this moving.

Education Committee:

We met last Monday and had a useful discussion. There are continuing contacts with NZQA and Ministry of Education, we are appreciated and seen as a positive influence but we still need to make the initial moves.

The next NZAMT (maths teachers association) conference will be in Wellington in 2013. Mike Camden is on the organizing committee. The conference will be the first to include Statistics in the title.

NZSA has traditionally (since 1999) sponsored a speaker at the conference. We have provided \$1250 for the last few conferences and the education committee would like to be able to make that offer again. We then nominate a suitable speaker from overseas. The \$1250 will not cover all of their costs but is a suitable sum.