



The  
New Zealand  
Statistical Association

## 2010 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 30 June

SSLB3, Massey University, Turitea Campus, Palmerston North

The meeting opened at 17:11

Present: Harold Henderson (chair), Rebecca McGirr (minutes), Tim Ball, Vanessa Cave, Mike Camden, Ping Shing Ben Chan, Austina Clark, Len Cook, Roy Costilla, Robert Davies, Mike Doherty, Sharleen Forbes, Siva Ganesh, Stephen Haslett, John Haywood, Martin Hazelton, Roger Littlejohn, Alasdair Noble, Erika Ramirez, Alastair Scott, Richard Sedcole, Rolf Turner, Martin Upsdell, Elisabeth Wells, Ian Westbrooke, Thomas Yee

1. Apologies: Judith Archibald, Jennifer Brown, David Harte, Ray Hoare, Fraser Jackson, Judi McWhirter, Richard Penny, Tracey Savage, Jean Thompson

2. Minutes of 2009 AGM, – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Two corrections:

- David Vere-Jones was the 2009 Campbell Award recipient, not 2010.
- Apologies ... Alasdair Noble, not Alistair Noble.

MOVED: That the minutes of the 2009 AGM with the two corrections above be accepted.

Harold Henderson/Roger Littlejohn

Carried

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Reports

President – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Treasurer – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

The \$14,000 noted in the expenses for the NZSA contribution for the journal is an upper bound. The actual amount is up for discussion at this stage and has not been paid yet.

Judi to clarify if the NZSA has paid for any of Ray Chambers expenses

Membership – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Education – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Sharleen Forbes noted that the education team has done a good job. She also noted concern from a University level at the lack of skills. Elizabeth Wells asked to remember consultants who work with students with non-Stats majors. Alasdair Noble warned about overloading the education committee.

Australian & New Zealand Journal of Statistics – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

There was discussion around the journal only being released digitally. This is unlikely at this stage.

The next term with Wiley-Blackwell is for 5 years. The ANZJS committee would like an indication from members how they feel about that. Indication from comments at the meeting is that this is too long to be stuck in one contract.

Newsletter – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Web – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Steve Haslett said that it would be useful to know about changes to the website early so he can notify the ANZJS web developers so they can update links.

Awards – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

Nominations for honorary life membership

Mike Doherty (Sharleen Forbes/Roger Littlejohn)

Len Cook & Mike Camden (Roger Littlejohn on behalf of award committee)

Young Statisticians – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

## SAPQC (no report)

### Science Fairs

Science fairs went ahead. Prizes were given at 22 of the 24 fairs. There were 2 x \$30 vouchers from Stats NZ and one \$60 voucher from the NZSA per fair to be given out.

Local Groups – on NZSA website in AGM archive.

## 5. Setting of Annual Subscription

MOVED: That there be no change in membership subscriptions for 2010/11 (McWhirter/Henderson)  
Carried

Ian Westbrooke suggested that given the proposed structure should the NZSA reconsider the discount for online only subscribers.

MOVED: Allow executive to decide 'online only' discount (in sync with Australia) for 2011 subscriptions if it is appropriate (Westbrooke/Sedcole)  
Carried

## 6. Election of Officers

MOVED: That this addition to the executive policy document is endorsed (constitution 13).

## **Policies of the New Zealand Statistical Association**

### **1 September 2008**

#### **9. Executive Committee**

The following office holders of the Association, if they are not elected members of the Executive Committee, will be ex officio members of the Executive Committee under Clause 11 of the Constitution:

- Awards Committee Chair;
- Conference Local Organizing Committee Chair;
- Education Committee Chair or representative;
- Local Branch Convenors;
- Membership Secretary;
- Newsletter Editor;
- SAPQC Chair;
- Science Fairs Co-ordinator;
- Standards Committee Chair;
- Webmaster;
- Young Statisticians' Secretary;
- Representative of the management committee of the Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics.

Add under clause 9 of the policy – “Representative of the management committee of the Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics”  
(Henderson)

Carried

Elected positions:

- President (Jennifer Brown)
- Secretary (Richard Penny)
- Treasurer (Judi McWhirter)
- Five representatives:
  - Rebecca McGirr
  - James Curran
  - Austina Clark
  - Peter Smith
  - Ian Westbrooke

MOVED: That nominations be closed (Henderson)  
Carried

No election required

- Corporate members' representative (Rebecca McGirr elected by the official representative of the corporate members, Statistics NZ)

The following convenor is an ex officio member of NZSA executive

- Member of the ANZJS editorial board (Steve Haslett, managing editor)

MOVED: That the following convenors are endorsed by AGM as ex officio members of NZSA executive

- Awards Committee Chair (Martin Hazelton)
- Conference Local Organizing Committee Chair (James Curran)
- Education Committee representatives (Alasdair Noble)
- Local Branch Chairs (John Haywood, Carl Scarrott)
- Membership Secretary (Harold Henderson)
- Newsletter Editor (Esther Meenken)
- SAPQC Chair (James Reilly)
- Science Fairs Co-ordinator (Alasdair Noble)
- Webmaster (Vanessa Cave)
- Young Statisticians' (Nathaniel Pihama)
- Management committee of the Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics (Roger Littlejohn)

(Henderson)

Carried

7. Other Appointments

None

8. Next conference

2011 NZSA conference is to be held in Auckland. Dates are yet to be decided however it is likely to be in early September during the common week of holidays for all Universities. The organisers are currently checking accommodation costs due to Rugby World Cup.

2012 conference will be organised by the University of Otago. Was discussion about whether it can be combined with medical statistics.

9. Other business

World Statistics Day - 20 October 2010. Flurry of emails and planning going on.

Meeting closed at 18.27pm by Harold Henderson