

BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NZNO NATIONAL GERONTOLOGY COLLEGE

November 17 at 2pm

Held via Zoom, during Webinar

PRESENT (as per signing sheet):

Natalie Seymour (chair), Kim Brooks, Napat Sirihongthong, Gayleen Watkins, Anna Carey, Aloha Sison, Margaret Bigsby,

(the following are Gerontology College members): Lynne Ainsworth, Gina Connolly, Chris Gaul, Maria Jackson, Gayani Kodippili, Janine Martin, Anu Ragnat, Bridget Richards, Gene Ruiz, Anna Wilding-James

(the following are non-members): Fiona Cavie, Shah Malibiran, Chastity Mettayani, Geralyn Rose.

Natalie Seymour – Chair, welcomed everyone, introduced committee, and explained the need for a quorum (which, unfortunately we have not achieved today, as we needed 29 attendees).

APOLOGIES:

- nil

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:

- No corrections.
- Nil matters arising.
- **Moved:** Bridget Richards, **Seconded:** Kim Brooks, **PASSED.**

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT:

- Nothing specific
- All correspondence is available on our website.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A copy of the report is available on our website:
https://www.nzno.org.nz/groups/colleges_sections/colleges/college_of_gerontology_nursing/conferences_events
- We have been unable to hold any conferences due to Covid postponements – so we are now holding it in May 2023, in Wellington.
- A discussion was held re the non-presentation of a Budget at this time – we will be completing it tomorrow (18th November) and it will then be published on our website. Any further discussion on this will be done in due course.
- The Budget will include one large-ticket item – ie: May 2023 Conference.
- **Moved:** Gayleen Watkins, **Seconded:** Anne Wilding-James, **PASSED.**

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Presented by Natalie Seymour.

- Natalie outlined the role of the Gerontology Committee, and Margaret Bigsby (PNA).
- She thanked all the members of the Committee for their hard work over this time, of Covid and staff shortages, and the “neglected” family members who supported us.
- Outgoing member, Morag MacKenzie, was also thanked for her work.
- A copy of her report is available online (see link above).
- There were no questions from the floor.
- **Moved, that the report be accepted:** Kim Brooks, **Seconded:** Gayani Kodippili, **PASSED.**

PNA REPORT:

Presented by Margaret Bigsby.

- A copy of this report is available online.
- Margaret reflected on the work of the College, paying tribute to the work done by the committee members in these difficult pandemic years – and to retired member, Morag MacKenzie.
- Special mention was made to the work done by Natalie Seymour (Chair) who has been the public voice of gerontology nurses during the difficult times.
- NZNO membership numbers have increased significantly over the past year.
- Mention was also made of 2022's significant events – the Maranga Mai! Campaign, and the Pae Ora Act 2022.
- There were no questions from the floor.
- **Moved, that the report be accepted:** Gina Connolly, **Seconded:** Bridget Richards, **PASSED.**

REMIT:

It would be beneficial to the profession if student nurses were also able to become members of the College.

- 3.5 Student Nurse Member: A student who is undertaking a programme of education accredited by the Nursing Council of New Zealand with a view to registration, who has current NZNO membership.
- **Moved:** Kim Brooks, **Seconded:** Gina Connolly, **PASSED.**
- However, due to us not having a quorum, we are unable to move on this decision – ie: we cannot implement this.

NOMINATIONS:

Currently no nominations have been received for our 2 vacant positions, even after a further readvertising of the vacancies.

- If anyone is interested – please refer to our website and email us.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

No General Business.

Next meeting Sometime in 2024.

Meeting closed: 2:35pm