

**Cerebral Palsy Society of NZ Inc
Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting**



**Thursday, 6.00pm, 15th April 2010
Yarnton House, 14 Erson Ave, Royal Oak**

PRESENT:

Karl Sangster, Daniel Aldersley, Harvey Brunt, Paul Munckhof (Michael Northcott as interpreter), Tracy Wadsworth, Amy Hogan and guest, Jody Hogan

APOLOGIES:

Rosaline Fuata'i

PRESENTATION BY MOBILITY DOGS TRUST (Jody Hogan)

The report from Mobility Dogs had been circulated prior to the meeting. Jody Hogan spoke to her report. Four members with cerebral palsy have received dogs. Three dogs in Auckland and one external. Puppies in prison is going very well and looking to expand to another Auckland prison. Support from WINZ has been established for one mobility dog. Process is being investigated to get it as a standard process. Addressing placements out of Auckland is currently being worked through. Functional assessments were also discussed.
(Following Jody's presentation and question and answer period, she left the meeting at 6:15pm)

MINUTES:

The tabled minutes of the meeting of the 11th of March were moved as a true and accurate record of that meeting. Daniel Aldersley/Amy Hogan ... carried

MATTERS ARISING:

The Grants Spreadsheet had been circulated.
Some final authorisation paperwork is necessary for the hedge funds to be completed. Sumaira Francevic had left BNZ Private Bank and been replaced by Kevin McLean.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST REGISTER

A review of the Register of Interests was conducted. Daniel's latest one had not been included. Harvey to action this.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The report was tabled. Harvey spoke to it. Refund from Dr Kurtzberg's cancelled trip will be forth coming. The organisers from the conference are following this up for us.
Red Nicholson had been approached as to whether he would join the Board if asked. He was enthusiastic. It was agreed that he would be approached with the offer of being appointed to the Board until the AGM. Daniel queried the Guardian Trust 5th payment, how many were left, how much was it and have we organised to recover it from Iris' account. Harvey to follow this up.
Trikes were discussed. Daniel queried monthly income from trikes, Michael Northcott to review for next Board meeting.
It was moved that the report be accepted: Harvey Brunt/ Paul Munckhof.... carried

MEMBERSHIP

The following applicants (18) were put before the Board for membership:

Bethany Harward (Dannevirke)	Rebekah Harward (Danni..)
Jeff Moyles (Inv)	Samantha Carran (AKL)
Louise Crawford (WGN)	Lisa Rolfe Family (BLM)
Annaliese Harvey (INV)	Olwyn Ferguson (CHC)
Leandi Schutte (AKL)	Kruthika Mantrapatagada Family(AKL)
Timothy Trent Family (INV)	Cameron Findlater Family(Balclutha)
Alesia Lu Family(HMN)	Craig Shaw Family(CHC)
Mathew Ward Family (Balclutha)	Katie Donaldson (CHC)
Danielle Ralston (CHC)	Tiahuia Rangi Family (AKL)

After discussion, it was moved that the above 18 applicants be accepted as members:
Daniel Aldersley/Karl Sangster.... carried

FINANCIAL REPORT

March's complete financials had been circulated prior to the meeting. Harvey spoke to the figures. The main point was that with the rebalancing of the portfolio there had been a number of realised gains which appeared in March. Also unrealised assets had appreciated in this period.
It was moved that the accounts be accepted: Daniel Aldersley/Amy Hogan... carried

OTHER BUSINESS

Conductive Education Memorandum of Understanding

A revision of the letter had been circulated. Recognition of Focus' name change was noted. It was also discussed that children at CE should be members of the Society as they enjoy the benefits of the Society's

paying the shortfall. Options were discussed so as to effect this. It was moved **'that the shortfall due to be paid to Iris be multiplied by the number of members of the Society attending CE, divided by the total number of children enrolled at CE'** Amy Hogan/Paul Munckhof.... carried

GRANTS CLARIFICATION

It was confirmed that if a grant application is for more than \$10,000, and the grants committee agree that a lesser amount should be granted, then they can proceed with this lesser amount. Grants for \$10,000 or more must be approved by the Board.

BOCCIA NZ DISCUSSIONS

Harvey relayed the discussions he had had with BoNZ. The out come being that a new strategic plan had been developed which had BoNZ being responsible for the International players and development squad and all fund raising for this group. The Society's role would be getting more members into the game, the fostering of clubs and the introduction of the game into schools. BoNZ had agreed in principle to the concept. Harvey to circulate the plan and budget to the Board for discussion at the next Board meeting.

SPECIAL EDUCATION ORAL SUBMISSION

The oral submission in written form, was discussed at the meeting. Harvey, Tracy and Karl will be attending. Daniel has given his apologies as he will be out of Auckland. As well as the submission Tracy and Karl will relay some personal stories from their experiences and observations. Emphasising choice was main thrust of the submission.

LOBBYING AND PROFILE

Harvey talked of his meeting with Ian Morrison, a journalist working (partly) in the disability sector. Discussions were around raising the Society's profile in the media. Ian will be trialled once we have a story that has traction for the general public.

A meeting with Daniel Paul of Four Winds Communication (Wellington) is scheduled for the 30th April. Four Winds are a media/lobbying organisation.

DATES FOR JUNE AND JULY MEETINGS

Harvey will be arriving back from overseas on the 10th June, which is the date scheduled for the June Board meeting. It was agreed to defer this meeting to the 17th June.

Red Nicholson is returning from overseas on the 9th July so it was agreed to move the July meeting to the 15th July so he could attend.

IRIS NEWS

Karl apologised for submitting the incorrect version of the Iris Constitution to the Iris Board. They now have the version agreed to by the Board at December's Board meeting. The Iris Board will discuss it at their meeting on the 26th April and outcomes from this meeting will be brought to our meeting on the 13th March. John Wade will be overseas for the next quarterly presentation from Iris, so it is being assessed as to whether Dianne Kidd will do it. Karl to send an email to find out.

Karl will be reporting back to the Iris Board the legal opinion from Kevin Ogles that the Society's Board is the sole body to appoint or dismiss directors to the Iris Board.

OTHER

- Karl requested that the 60th Celebrations be a new agenda item. Hayley Westenra was mentioned as a possible invitee as she is VP of Dame Vera Lynn's Charity in the UK. Ross Flood is investigating contact details.
- Karl conveyed the sad news that one of our members, Robin Fergusson had passed away recently. Robin was Peter Fergusson father (Peter is an ex Board member)
- Amy related how she had met a PhD graduate who was keen to assist with the 'CP Through the Life Span' project. Her name is Sumudumalee Ranasinghe.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:20pm

Karl Sangster

Date

Next meeting on Thursday the 13th May, 2010