

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



**Thursday, 6pm, 12th March 2009
Yarnton House, 14 Erson Ave, Royal Oak**

PRESENT:

Karl Sangster, Immanuel Koks, Paul Munckhof (Michael Northcott-interpreter), Daniel Aldersley, Amy Hogan, Rosaline Fuatai, Tracy Wadsworth, Dave Thomas, Todd Fernie, and Harvey Brunt

APOLOGIES:

None

MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting of the 12/2/2009, as tabled were adjudged to be a true and accurate record.
Moved: Harvey Brunt/Daniel Aldersley.... carried

MATTERS ARISING:

Daniel advised that Karl, Peter Atkinson and himself would be meeting at Erson Ave next Tuesday afternoon to review the last draft of the Constitution and report back to the Board at the March Board meeting.

Harvey had distributed the IHC tool kit link and had forwarded on to Immanuel for consideration when doing his work for the Society's website.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Harvey tabled his report and noted those items that had been altered from the report emailed out. He spoke on various items.

Daniel queried the alterations to the broadband changes and a discussion ensued as to telecommunication providers.

Dave initiated a discussion on promoting the getStructured programme. Dave offered to gather figures and brochures from the Guardian Trust and the Public Trust so as to assist our members.

Harvey gave a quick update on his trip to CP Conference in Sydney and his conclusions. A brief discussion occurred on stem cell research, which was virtually absent from the conference.

It was moved that the report be accepted: Harvey Brunt/Karl Sangster... moved.

MEMBERSHIP

The following applications (13) for membership were put before the board:

Jimmy Chong (AKL)	Isaac Davison (AKL)
Melissa Fox Family (CHC)	Andrew Hayman (NPL)
Jacqueline Hillyer Family (AKL)	Rosina Khan (AKL)
Rebecca Marsh Family (Marton)	Kahlia Moke (CHC)
Caleb Phillips Family (CHC)	Matt Slade (AKL)
Tauta Tuakura (AKL)	Di Willis (AKL)

Helena Prosser Family (Oamaru)

Following a discussion about the applicants it was moved that the above applicants be accepted: Daniel Aldersley/Karl Sangster... carried

FINANCIAL REPORT

The monthly accounts for February 09 were tabled. Harvey spoke to the figures. The figures had been circulated prior to the meeting. Harvey explained how the Administration figure was now being broken down into other items, not budgeted for. The account categories were being refined all the time and next year's budget would reflect these new categories.

It was moved that the accounts be accepted. Harvey Brunt/Daniel Aldersley... carried

STRATEGIC MEETING REVIEW

Karl gave an introduction and compared the meeting on the 7th March 09 with that held in March 08. There was a feeling amongst everyone of a certain dis-joint between the two Boards.

Conductive Education, dividends, etc were discussed. It was agreed after much discussion that the Society needed to define a number of things. With this in mind it was agreed that the Board would schedule another meeting on the morning of the 22nd March to discuss these issues so that the direction for the Society, and its expectations of Focus, were clear.

OTHER BUSINESS

11 Coyle St Purchase Request

The email from the Focus Chair to the Society's President was discussed.

A discussion occurred on the above property. It was generally agreed that the Society allow the property go to market. It was agreed that Karl, Dave and Daniel should contact the Focus Board for a discussion on this purchase and matters in general.

It was moved that "the Society was not in agreement with the Society making an offer at present but wishes the property to go to market and reassessing the situation in the future" Karl Sangster/Daniel Aldersley.... carried.

Welfare Guide

Immanuel gave a presentation of a website mock-up. There were two components, one is the factual information, the other being information garnered from people's experiences. The layout took this into account. Each section will be populated from a database located in the background. This would be able to be expanded to a whole of life approach.

Advocacy Presentation

Immanuel gave a powerpoint presentation of his view of where the Society is at present, what it is good at what it could be doing. Immanuel suggested that the biggest role for the Society could be in empowering/ training/ coaching people with CP to be strong and confident in self advocacy. A discussion on advocating for individuals ensued. Todd pointed out that advocacy around an individual's case can change laws as it is far more tangible and the public/politicians can relate to it. The issue(s) to advocate for, was important, they should be few in number and quite defined.

Karl thanked Immanuel for his work.

Meeting concluded at 8:15pm

Next meeting is at 6pm, 9th April 2009 at Yarnton House, Erson Ave, Royal Oak

Approval of minutes by Board

Karl Sangster-President

Date