

MINUTES OF NZALT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at the University of Auckland, Auckland 4 July, 2006

60 members were in attendance

Apologies were received from: K. Harris, N. Coventry, Whakatane Intermediate, K. Nicholson, J. Lemberg, V. Cotton, J. Gibb

The Minutes of the 2005 AGM were confirmed

President's Report.

President Anne Jacques' report was distributed. She spoke to the report. She reminded members how the Association is serviced. The members elect an executive of ten members to represent them as President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and six regional representatives across the country.

The focus of the 2005-2006 year has been on improving the Association's membership records and streamlining the treasurer's job. She thanked members for persisting with registering on line. The problems have largely been ironed out; so hopefully future on-line payment of subscriptions will be more straightforward.

The website continues to develop as the worthy public face for NZALT.

She welcomed the Draft Curriculum document mentioning more equitable time for languages and the introduction the eighth learning area. She urged teachers to give feed back in the short time allowed.

Treasurer's report

The audited report was received. (It is printed below)

Members were urged to take responsibility for supporting the association through paying subs and updating details on line.

In response to a question about access to personal details the treasurer stated that a member has access to own information but safe guarded. Only Jane Lee, the treasurer, and David Hall, the web-master, have access to the full data base. If a member wants to change his/her status, s/he needs to inform the Treasurer. An electronic invoice will be sent in January.

There was a question about including SLA subscriptions in online payments. Such a move is many discussions away.

Election of Officers

President Anne Jacques thanked the retiring president, Noeline Grant, for her support, mentoring and great contribution to language learning and teaching. The following people were elected to the NZALT Executive 2006-2007

President	Anne Jacques
Junior Vice-President	Adèle Scott
Treasurer	Jane Lee
Secretary	Sue Sutherland
RO Auckland	Glenda Koefoed
RO Waikato	David Hall
RO Massey	James Donaldson
RO Victoria	Philippa Doig
RO Canterbury	Jo Ritty
RO Otago	Jenness Riethmaier

Life Membership. Judith Gibb, retiring secretary, was granted Life Membership of the Association (AS/SS)

TRCC course. Adele Scott publicized the Course Leading Languages, venue New Plymouth, January, 2007 using a power point presentation

Adèle Scott encouraged members to enrol, citing the value of participants' networking with each other how to win the paper war, exchanging ideas on systems, etc Travel and venue costs paid by TRCC. 80 to 100 members expected.

Conference

President proposed a vote of thanks to conference convenors, Deborah Rattray and Mairi Ferguson. JR/AS

NCEA Resources Noeline Grant promoted the NCEA external writing samples (2005) which have been collected by NZALT and are available for purchase. She thanked members, University of Victoria, Richard Steel (copyright) Negotiated price \$100 not \$1500 for copyright.

Badge competition – Competition will be publicized in Term 3; winners announced Term 4. The badges will be produced for sale in 2007

General Business

- Re-definition of NZALT boundaries was mooted. NZALT regions do not fit School Support Services regions. Adèle invited members to contemplate the pros and cons.
- There were offers from both Wellington and Rotorua to host NZALT Conference 2008. Years 7 and 8 to have a section at this Conference
- David Hall called for integrity in registering for Conference. 90 people claimed to be members of NZALT when they were not.