

**Minutes of NZMPTA Council Meeting
9th May 2018 @ 10.30am
DeLaval, Hamilton**



Present:, Gary Reilly, Brain Ebert, Craig Burrows, Brett MacDougall, Ross Muggeridge, Trevor Foley & Maria Scott.

Apologies: Kevin Warner, Paul Dixon, Travis McIntosh, Andy Geissmann

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Accepted as a true and correct record.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: A number of items from previous minutes remain unactioned as awaiting responses and actions from various parties.

Financial Statement: presented and accepted. Approx. combined net position \$181,724.

Accounts for Payment: Accounts previously paid and to be paid were tabled and approved.

New Members: Milking & Water Systems Ltd, Whakatane. Water Solutions (BOP) Ltd, Te Puke – Approved.

Withdrawn Members: Parr & Co Ltd – no longer operating in Dairy sector. Lifestyle Dairy & Pump – no longer Waikato Dealers & health issues.

Practising Certificate Approvals: Shane Newton, Registered Tester. Matt Allen, Ngatea Milking Machines & Pump Services. Sean Hayes, Hayes Farm Services. Martin Baldwin, Machinery Maintenance. Ross Hunt, CCMP. Ben Howard, Farm Supplies Central. Darrell McLean, Fox Eden & Associates. Brent Highsted, Progressive Engineering Southland. Tane Henderson, Dairy & Pumps - approved.

Election of Officer Bearers: Gary Reilly elected as MPTA President and Craig Burrows re-instated as Vice-President and Technical Committee Chair. Brett MacDougall replaces Barry Miller as a Director of Technology Training Centre. Moved: Brian Ebert, seconded Trevor Foley.

Change to Bank Authorities: Gary Reilly to be added to MPTA as signatory replacing Simon Fletcher and Brett MacDougall to be added as signatory for Technology Training centre replacing Barry Miller. Moved: Trevor Foley, seconded Brian Ebert.

H & S: MPI have been requested to amend section 9.2 of NZCP1 so that all unions in the CIP delivery system are pressure unions to 400kPa.

An incident at the training centre resulted in a course participant reporting that he received a shock from touching what he thought was a light switch. Switch was immediately isolated and an electrician called to disconnect the switch. MacDougalls to visit training centre and check all electrical sockets to ensure they are safe.

TV for Training Centre: DeLaval have kindly donated a second hand TV for use at the training centre for the machine testing course. E.O. to send a note of gratitude.

TTC Report: May Testing course full and the November course already full. Will look to schedule an additional course for October – encouraging start to year. First Cleaning Evaluation & Milk Delivery course run since 2015 ran last week with six pax. Water courses in Invercargill later this month not looking promising.

Apprenticeship Update: Around 48 apprentices currently signed up. E.O to follow up with Competenz on if the requirement to complete EST registration can be removed.

Plumbers Act Review: Awaiting further discussions with Federated Farmers as to best angle to approach Government before engaging other stakeholders.

Appointment of MPTA rep on Mastitis Accreditation Committee: Murray Pedley has been representing MPTA on this committee in the past but it should be represented by an MPTA representative. Craig Burrows appointed.

Advertising: Ads to run in NZ Dairy Farmer, Dairy Exporter & Dairyman publications promoting time for machine testing.

Farm Source selling milking machine equipment: Discussion around if Farm Source should be selling milking machine equipment to farmers. C Burrows to seek legal opinion on the effect of the conflict of interest of them being the RMP holder and selling their own equipment.

ISO Testing conversion: A meeting is to be arranged with Murray Pedley to discuss process moving forward.

Amendments to Machine Testing methods: AutoRep, new test report page & flowcharts still to be trialled. Changes can be released once these are signed-off.

Cleaning Evaluation & Milk Delivery: Council have decided to leave this training separate from the machine testing course for now, however, Members should be made aware of the advantages of this training to the service they offer clients.

Electrical Options: Still awaiting confirmation from EWRB that E/L satisfies the requirements for supervision of people doing EAS & EST.

Meeting concluded: 2.35pm

Next meeting date: 26 June 2018 in Hamilton

Signed

President.