

**Minutes of NZMPTA Council Meeting  
16<sup>th</sup> December 2025 @ 8.00am  
TEAMS video call**

Present: Les Sinclair, Craig Burrows, Danny Simmonds, Trevor Foley, Gareth Cowan, Darren Main, Sam Anderson & Executive Officer (E.O) Maria Scott.

Apologies:, Marty Bloy, Trevor Fowlie, Gary Reilly, Martin Doohan

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

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: Communications have gone to Members re the new Machine Testing Critical / Major / Minor ratings, and the Fonterra Water Exclusion Plan

Financial Statement: presented and accepted. Approx. net position \$12,776

Accounts for Payment: Accounts paid since last meeting and accounts received, but yet to be paid, were tabled and approved.

Resignation of Council Member: Trevor Fowlie from GEA has resigned from Council due to other work commitments. GEA have put someone else forward to replace Trevor, however, we will wait until the AGM in March to induct new Council Members.

New Members: Corkill Systems Ltd – Approved

Withdrawn Members: Grant Engineering - retiring

Practising Certificate Approvals:

Cameron Nurse, Southwest Dairy Services Australia. Bertie van den Heever, Mainland Engineering. Corey Bailey, Dairymaster Milking Systems. Tim Osbaldiston, Advance Dairy & Pump. Ben Callahan, Progressive Engineering. Darryl Walter, Southland Farm Services. Shane Newton, Independent Tester. Paul Way, Ngatea Milking Machines. Andy Garth, Ryno Laing & Mathew Read, Read Industrial. Hannah Bishell, Moa Milking & Pumping. Amanda Jones, Westland Dairy Sheds - Approved.

H & S: Nothing to report.

Training Activity: Only had 6 on November Testing course and 5 on the Farm Dairy Systems Management in Nov. 7 on Pump course in Hamilton 1-2 December.

Apprenticeship Update: E.O. emailed TEC to enquire what options will be available for us to allow our apprentices to continue and complete. They have responded saying they: “understand the concerns you have raised and these potential issues will be explored more closely in 2026” In the meantime, nothing changes for our apprentices for 2026 and they will continue their learning through Competenz as usual.

Effluent WOF Assessor Programme: Contract has been amended a number of times, unfortunately, DairyNZ will not give any assurance that the material in the course is accurate & complete and they expect that MPTA shall satisfy ourselves of this. Trevor Foley will speak with Logan Bowler about Logan auditing and updating the existing material, what is involved and how much it would cost. DairyNZ now say they will not host and manage changes to the WOF Assessor website and that MPTA needs to take responsibility for this. OH Marketing say they can host this for us. E.O to request files from QCONZ or DairyNZ. A new template for reporting is required, Darren Main will look at what AI can develop.

AutoRep: Innovag Australia have quoted over \$60,000 to do AutoRep updates which is well outside our financial ability. E.O. to talk with QCONZ to see if the Indian Developers who wrote the App initially will be able to do our changes.

Brand Awareness: Kenny from OH Marketing joined us and went through some options to elevate our brand awareness such as website update, social media campaigns and lead generating. Kenny will prepare a breakdown of options and costs for us to decide on. Project sub-Committee of Gareth, Sam, Marty & Maria established to manage this and actions.

Meeting concluded: 10.30am

Signed

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Maria Scott', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Maria Scott  
Executive Officer