

# DEAF CHILDREN NEW ZEALAND

## Tamariki Turi O Aotearoa



### Minutes of the Executive Committee of Deaf Children New Zealand

<b>Date</b>	2nd May, 2021
<b>Venue</b>	Online
<b>Meeting opened</b>	10am
<b>Present</b>	Kate, Katie, Gill, Karen, Dana, and Meg.
<b>Apologies</b>	Kirstin, Brent
<b>Previous Minutes</b>	<b>MOTION:</b> That the minutes of the meeting dated 14th February, 2021 be correct. <b>MOVED:</b> Karen <b>SECONDED:</b> Kate W <b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Critical General Business</b>	

<b>President's Report</b>	
<b>Ombudsman</b>	A meeting was held in March with the Deputy Ombudsman to see if there is a case to work with. The meeting was very positive and they were very interested in the input we had, particularly the perspective of both a mother and a teacher. This looks to be going forward now.
<b>FCEI</b>	As before, Kate will continue to put links to the discussions on the facebook page for families. There will also be some by invitation only, and she will keep this information coming out to the committee.
<b>Family Kits</b>	We have had a backlog of nearly 100 registrations over the last year. Covid destroyed our ability to get a hold of many of our resources, and though newly registered families received an email with all the info needed, the KITS were unable to go out. I have been working through this backlog over the last month, and have worked my way back to registrations from September last year. I will continue trying to get through the whole lot, but once I have used up all my resources, I will pass the role on to Karen. The only thing to ship down then will be the Family Books (and there are a lot of them.) We will need to work out the best way to do this.
<b>MOTION:</b> That the President's report be received/accepted. <b>MOVED:</b> Kate W <span style="float: right;"><b>SECONDED:</b> Dana <b>CARRIED</b></span>	

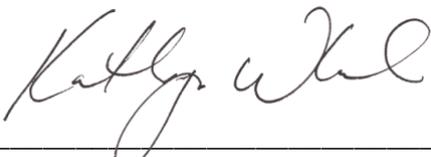
<b>Actions from President's report</b>	Kate to complete as many KITS as possible, then pass resources and info on to Karen.
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<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
<b>Balances</b>	Operating Account - \$80,457.38 DEANZ - \$14,540.55 Beacon - \$13,046.66
<b>MOTION:</b> That the Treasurer's report be received/accepted. <b>MOVED:</b> Justin F <span style="float: right;"><b>SECONDED:</b> <b>CARRIED</b></span>	
<b>Actions from Treasurer's report</b>	

<b>Community Manager Report</b>	
<b>Support for Te Oranganui</b>	<b>Funding case as attached to minutes.</b>
<b>MOTION:</b> That the attached funding case for Te Oranganui be approved. <b>MOVED:</b> Katie <span style="float: right;"><b>SECONDED:</b> Kate <b>CARRIED</b></span>	
<b>Community Manager Role</b>	Karen, Gill and Meg – sub-committee to look at new role criteria. We will need to put this advertisement out fairly soon and hope to get someone on board who can take over some of the day-to-day jobs of the executive.

<b>Services Report</b>	
<b>Reporting Data</b>	Dana will put together a year-spanning report for the BGM. This will cover this time period, so a smaller report is unnecessary.

<b>General Business</b>	
<b>Executive Committee</b>	<p>We need to nominate/ vote in the President, Secretary and Treasurer. Katie will need to be nominated specifically, Justin, as incumbent, will not need to. Brent initially indicated that he would continue as secretary for another year (though it will need to be two) but I have had no reply to the last email, and no info from him about this meeting. Karen will try and contact him.</p> <p>With Kirstin leaving, Kate will step into the VP role to support Katie in her new Presidential one. Karen will take over Family Kits, and Gill will take over as rep for National Foundation for the Deaf/HH. Dana will continue as Services Coordinator. If we are able to get a new person, they will not need to take on a role straight away to give them time to get into the swing of things.</p> <p>In preparation for moving the president role across to Katie, Kate will need to work out how to transfer the 0800 number across, and Justin will potentially need to take Kirstin off as bank approval signatory and put Katie on instead.</p>

<b>Honorarium</b>	<p>Agreement for the same honorarium as last year for those who choose to take it, other than an increase in the Services Honorarium to take into account all the work that Dana has put in this last year.</p> <p>Everyone to let Justin know how they want this done.</p>
<b>Creating NZSL Handbook</b>	<p>For the KITS, we used to buy and distribute the NZSL handbooks. This was one of the best received resources in the KIT. However, Van Asch no longer exists, and they are not making the booklet anymore. I have asked Deaf Aotearoa for access to some of their little books that they make during NZSL Week but haven't heard back.</p> <p>This brings up the need for a resource, and perhaps our ability to produce one for our families. The NZSL Online Dictionary has many vocab sheets we could work from and finding a printer who could make them shouldn't be too hard. Our families need these resources, and if we can't source them, we will need to make them.</p> <p>Karen will look out the Handbook when she visits her parents, and we will see what we can make based on this template.</p>
<b>Prep for the BGM</b>	<p>Meg will make an online form for Nominations and Voting Repts, and Kate will try and put together the Notice of AGM letter to go out to the parent groups. She will also put this on Facebook.</p> <p>As above; we need another member to join the executive as Kirstin is stepping down at the AGM. Hopefully we have someone put up their hand. Reminder that this doesn't need to be someone from a parent group anymore. Our constitution says we can take someone who is interested and meets the criteria of a parent of a deaf/hh child, and they can nominate themselves.</p>
<b>Meeting Closed</b>	8.20pm
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>BGM - 26th June, 2021</p> <p>Wellington (Potentially the Rydges Hotel; booking needs to be checked)</p>
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