

REPORT TO THE NZAP AGM, JUNE 2022

From the Honorary Secretary

Tēnā koutou katoa,

This has been a year of huge change for Council – last AGM saw us farewell some longstanding members: Gerald Maclaurin (Past President), Margaret Poutu Morice (Waka Oranga representative), and Siobhan Collins (Chair of ACP). Daniel Larsen (Chair of Ethics) and Vicky Blake (Honorary Treasurer) also stepped down.

These were big shoes to fill, and as new Council members we have been fortunate to be guided by old hands – Lynne Holdem (President), Gabriela Mercado (President Elect), Victoria Smith (ACC liaison/AHAANZ representative) and Anna Fleming (Waka Oranga). John Farnsworth, who was previously on Council, was elected at the last AGM as an ordinary member. His institutional knowledge has been most welcome. John is Chair of Public Issues.

John O'Connor came on board as the new Chair of the ACP, Delia Crozier as the new Treasurer, and Verity Armstrong replaced Margaret as co-representative of Waka Oranga, alongside Anna Fleming. Claire Miranda was elected as an ordinary member, and has lent her knowledge in the area of the website, and joined the Public Issues committee to advocate in the area of climate change.

Paul Wilson who was already on Council as an ordinary member, took up the position of Chair of Ethics.

It has been a full and complex year with COVID challenges to address and think through. We have tried to navigate these murky waters with as much goodwill and dialogue as possible.

Another farewell happened this past year of course – with the resignation of our longstanding Executive Officer, Nikky Winchester. We appreciated Nikky's attention to detail and organizational skills, she left us with ample resources to help guide the running of the NZAP office.

We held a thorough application process and were delighted to be joined by Luisa Maloni, our new Administrator, at the end of 2021.

Luisa's warmth and hardworking style have seen her settling in well, and she has been a willing learner alongside me! Thank you, Luisa.

I would like to note the move into retirement for several longstanding members of NZAP, who have contributed much to the organization over the years, through supervision, serving on committees, and offering their skills and wisdom through teaching.

Of course, we are also heartened by new members joining regularly, whether as student, provisional or full members. We look forward to getting to know them and to their contribution to the membership in time.

As a new member of Council, I have appreciated the warmth and welcome of colleagues, the guidance of Nikky while she was with us, and the opportunity to learn more about the varied issues and questions we face and think about together.

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