

**MINUTES OF THE NZAP COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM
ON 26 JULY 2023 7.00PM – 8.30PM**

Present:

Gabriela Mercado (President), John O'Connor (President Elect), Delia Crozier, Catriona Cairns, Claire Miranda, Victoria Smith, Marianna Ackerman, Faye Gorman, Mihili Alexander, Luisa Maloni (Administrator).

1. WELCOME

The meeting opened at 7pm with check ins, each member sharing their vision for the Association and personal goals as a Council member.

2. FUTURE OF OUR MEETINGS

Council discussed the option of meeting monthly for 1.5 hour meetings. The idea is to work more efficiently, avoid email traffic and build relationship through meeting more regularly. There would be a standard agenda of about 10 items including verbal reports from each portfolio/committee. There would still be opportunity to meet in person and these longer meetings could focus on bigger picture ideas and thinking.

Council discussed when these meetings would take place and discussed various needs and preferences for each member of Council.

Action: Each Council member to send their top 5 preferences for meeting times to Gabriela.

3. NEXT MEETING

Council agreed to meet again in August. John and Gabriela will meet with new members Faye and Mihili and also invited Marianna to join, for an orientation meeting.

Meeting ended at 8:30pm.