

NZPPI AGM
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of The New Zealand Plant Producers Incorporated
Thursday 28 September 2023, 1pm
Zealong Tea Estate Hamilton

Welcome

Marie Taylor (Board Chair) opened the AGM by welcoming members, past presidents, Board members, life members and guests.

Apologies:

Apologies were received from the following members:

- Keith & Yvette Lowe – Millfield nursery
- Peter Tayler – Rainbow Park Nurseries Ltd
- James Halloway – Pukerau Nursery

Proxy Votes:

- Tim Le Gros (Titoki Nursery Ltd)
- James Halloway (Pukerau Nursery)
- Joanne Hurley (Van Lier Nurseries Ltd)
- Peter Tayler (Rainbow Park Nurseries)
- Malcolm Woolmore (Kiwiflora)

r Media Present:

- Des Snell – Commercial Horticulture
- Debbie Pascoe – Go Gardening

Minutes of Previous AGM – 13 October 2023

Motion

(Board / K Beaumont)

That the minutes of the previous AGM are a true and correct record.

Carried

Chair and CE Reports

The Chair Review of the Year is accepted.

Motion

(Board / S Burton).

That the minutes of the Special General Meeting are adopted.

Passed

Motion

(Board /).

That the Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2023 be taken as a read and adopted.

Passed

Financial Report

- Matthew Dolan (CE) presented the financial report for the 2022/23 financial year, and a summary of financial statements.

Motion

(Board / C Scott).

That the Financial Report and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 are adopted.

Carried

Annual Subscription

Motion

(Board / A Tayler)

That the NZPPI annual subscription for producer membership remains at 0.3% of fee-relevant turnover based upon a validation producer declaration.

Carried

Appointment of Auditor

Motion

(Board / G Kitson)

That Moore Markhams Ltd is appointed as Group Auditors for the 2023/24 financial year.

Carried

Board Elections

Matthew Dolan provided an update of two appointed board positions that were currently open and are encouraging expressions of interest and a number of elected sector representative positions that will be part of the elections in March 2024. The Board has published an Election Handbook and will promote governance roles in the lead up to the election.

General Business

The meeting concluded at 2.25pm

Chair: _____

Date: _____

AGM EVENT - Open Forum Discussion

| ITEM | DISCUSSION | ACTIONS |
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| 1 | Our industry would benefit from more skills / career development opportunities targeted at people that are not eligible for Young Achiever, e.g > 30 years of age. | Consider a competition alongside Young Achiever for 30+ yrs, i.e. held in the same event. This could include topics like leadership, entrepreneurship, and business topics. |
| 2 | Explore ways to enhance engagement and knowledge sharing among members and across the industry, for example, SHED meetings were very effective in the past. | Explore resuming SHED meetings in the future. Also, the opportunities to encourage engagement and knowledge sharing through the proposed extension model. |
| 3 | Request the release of recent research that has been undertaken by CRI's into plant production topics, for example Scion's protocols for native hardwood cuttings. | Request the release and publication of the research projects. |
| 4 | Industry data and insights - there is a real lack of data and statistics about our industry. The recent surveys undertaken by NZPPI & TUR are valuable, but we need a consistent long-term approach. | Include industry data and insights as a key priority in Generation. |
| 5 | Increase the value proposition for industry partner members in green life - in particular garden retailers. Issues around industry standards may be of value, for example Plant Pass and sustainability initiatives. | Consider establishing a Green life (retail) special interest group. |