



## WAIKATO MATHEMATICS ASSOCIATION

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### **Minutes from the 2013 Term Four Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> October at Hillcrest High School:**

**Meeting started 4:35pm – Ingrid Rinsma holding chair:**

**Present:** Christine Mears (SHGC), Clare Lambert (DIO), Mark Plant (SJC), Ingrid Rinsma (HHS), Craig Wilson (HHS). Pam Fisher (SHGC), Ann Leach, Maria Curray (Huntly College), Shamila Singh (SHGC)

**Apologies:** Judy Bailey, Debra Leong (HGHS), Anita Chen (HGHS).

**Minutes from previous meeting:** (Term 3, 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013) Given that all present were in receipt of these - The motion was put; "That they be accepted as a true and accurate record."

**Moved:** Pam  
**Seconded:** Chair  
**Carried:** All

**Matters arising from minutes:** Nil

#### **Correspondence:**

- (a) Email received from NZMAT requesting reports
  - (i) Anita has prepared and sent one detailing The Waimaths Competition
  - (ii) Ingrid has prepared and sent one in her capacity of chairperson as required from NZAMT
- (b) Email has been sent to Francis, re Jim Campbell

#### **Items for Discussion:**

**WMA Web Site:** Pam said she together with Mark are still working on it. There are still a few areas to deal with. (Currently it is a work in progress)

**Finances:** Mark tabled a document outlining the finances of the association. It contained all transactions over the past year. It was noted there was a drop in income. This was the result of less Schol days offered – only half of 2012. There has also been a reduction in grants. The Waimaths competition is now more expensive to run, a result of an increase in size and more hireage of equipment needed. It was suggested there was a cutback in prizes offered. It was put "That the financial statement tabled by Mark be accepted as a true and accurate account".

**Moved:** Mark  
**Seconded:** Christine  
**Carried** (All)

**Schol Days:** Only one Schol Day was offered this year which was Calculus. Approximately 60 attended. Stats was not offered, Ann believes the demand is high. A few names were suggested as possibilities for assistance for this to be offered in 2014. The cost of Schol days for 2014 has yet to be finalised.

**Waimaths:** (Anita, who currently has responsibility for this placed an apology) Anita asked via another member present if it was okay to use the same write as last year. The rule was reiterated "That no calculators are permitted at Y7 – 8 of Waimaths." The motion was put "That we stay with the current writer for Waimaths 2014.

**Moved:** Chair  
**Carried** (All)

There was more discussion on the preparation of questions so answers are in accordance with the current policy of no calculators. This policy was set last year and WMA went to considerable lengths to ensure all participating schools were aware. Motion was put "That there will be no calculators permitted at Y7 – 8 for the 2014 Waimaths Competition"

**Moved:** Mark  
**Seconded:** Christine  
**Carried** (All)

It needs to be made clear that at Y9 – 11 there are no cell phones. The question was asked if Graphics Calculators are permitted. It was decided they are acceptable for now. (This may be dependent on the checking of questions).

The entering of data could be more streamlined and Mark said he will look at the possibility of using Google Docs for this task.

The cost of membership was discussed. The motion was put "That we recommend at the AGM that membership costs increase as follows: High Schools and Areas Schools increase to \$100. Intermediate Schools increase to \$50. Primary and individual membership to stay the same.

**Moved:** Mark  
**Seconded:** Claire  
**Carried** (All)

**AGM:** The date for this has been set as **14<sup>th</sup> November**. The venue is currently down as Sacred Heart Girls College. (Pam to investigate availability). Start time is 4.30pm. For PD: Ingrid received an email from Judy Bailey who has offered to do a session. Ingrid will reply to discuss curriculum levels of her PD. It is thought level 3 -4 would be beneficial. Recipients of grants who attended the most recent NZAMT conference in Wellington have/will be contacted to see who is available to offer a session. This is in accordance with their grant. Ingrid has said she will email these recipients again.

Christine will do the final details of PD offered in the AGM, and Ingrid to assist in the coordination.

Suggested outline

- (i) Session one 40 minutes
- (ii) AGM
- (iii) Session two.

**NZAMT:** Ingrid said the next NZAMT conference to be in Auckland 2015.  
The annual writers camp will also be in Auckland during January.

Among the recipients of the **Jim Campbell Awards** from our region are: Deb Leong (HGHS) and Andrew Killen (Matamata)

**General Business:** The roles of the association were briefly discussed. There will be voting of positions in the forthcoming AGM. Mark did mention he would like to step down as Treasurer. There was discussion about potential candidates for the role. Can readers of these minutes ask amongst their colleagues to see if anyone is interested?

**PD:** At this stage there are no grants for PD.  
PD for 2014 – there is none planned except feedback from grant recipients.  
BOP Maths Assoc. is having a conference in Rotorua 29<sup>th</sup> November with the main focus being Y9 – 19.

**The following has recently been received.**

**Statistic's Day Tuesday 26th November 2013.**

Registration is now open. All information and registration is online at <https://www.stat.auckland.ac.nz/uo/statistics-teachers-day>. Please make sure you download the workshop information and select your workshop prior to completing the registration form. Please register as soon as possible (you can withdraw if you don't get approval). Online registrations will close on November 12.

**Mathematics and Calculus Day Monday 25th November 2013**

Registration and information about this day will be on the AMA website shortly [www.aucklandmaths.org.nz](http://www.aucklandmaths.org.nz)

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**No other business**

**Meeting closed 6:02pm. Thank you all for your attendance.**

