**Minutes of the Forest and Rural Fire Association of New Zealand Inc Annual General Meeting held at** **the Millennium Hotel on 30th July 2013**

The meeting commenced at 0830 hours with 66 members in attendance.

**Present**: A list of those attending is held with a copy of the minutes by FRFANZ.

**Apologies**: Apologies were received from Dave Jack, Morrie Geenty, Te Aroha Cook, Paul Wright, Rene Londeman.

**Motion:** Move that the apologies be accepted

**Moved**: Graeme Still **Seconded**: Robin Thompson

**Minutes of the AGM 1st August 2012**:

**Motion**: Move that the minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 31st July 2012, as posted on the FRFANZ web page be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting

**Moved**: Gavin Wallace **Seconded:** Kevin Ihaka

**Amendments:** Nil

**Matters Arising:** Nil

**Chairman’s Report:**

The Chairman Doug Ashford presented his report to the meeting. Report is available on the website.

**Moved**: **Seconded**

**Treasurer**:

The financial statement for the year ended 30 April 2013 shows an unconfirmed trading loss of $25,649.

* Current account movements for the year showed a loss of ($6,641).
* Conference account movements for the year showed a loss of ($16,061).
* Competition account movements for the year showed a surplus of $2.
* The Investment account movements for the year showed a surplus of $699.
* There was also a write down of Inventory - Loss of ($3,648)

**Motion**: That the Treasurers Report be accepted as presented to be made available on the website on completion

**Moved**: Phil Wishnowsky **Seconded:** Don Scott

**FRFANZ Strategic Plan**: Key points were provided by Kevin Ihaka, these being:

* Need to develop relationships with the key stakeholders
* Value of FRFANZ – there are diverse views around the country which is healthy and contributes broad oversight.
* FRFANZ are yet to find a way to contact the winder group of volunteer firefighters
* Recognise that funding is needed to implement the strategic plan.
* Considerable strategic work to be done.

**Election of officers:**

**Chairman:** Nominations

1. **Kevin Ihaka** FRFANZ Committee PRFO Whangarei District Council private Business Manager

Nominated **Doug Ashford** Chair FRFANZ seconded **Lance Johnson**

1. **Don Scott** Deputy Chair FRFANZ

**Nominated** Bruce Kitto **Seconded:** Phill Wishnowsky

Kevin Ihaka was successful in becoming new chair of FRFANZ – congratulations’

**Deputy Chair:** Bruce Kitto’s withdrew his nomination as Deputy Chair.

**Motion**: That Don Scott be nominated a Deputy Chair

**Moved**: Bruce Kitto **Seconded:** John Kerr

**Nominations for FRFANZ Committee 31st July 2013**

The constitution reads **6**. Management Committee **6.1** The affairs of FRFANZ will be run by a Management committee which shall consist of a ***Chairman, Deputy Chairperson and eight elected members***. The management committee shall appoint form the elected committee, a secretary and treasurer.

***NOMINATIONED EIGHT REQUIRED ONE SECONDED***

1. **Gavin O’Donnell**: member Ngatimoti VRFF, Waimea Rural Fire Authority. Farmer.

Chair Federated Farmers local branch,

**Nominated**; Graham Durrant Controller Ngatimoti VRFF, **Seconded** Barry WalshRFO WRFA

1. **Isabella Clark- Melchers**: member Appleby VRFF, Secretary/Treasurer FRFANZ, employee of Service provider to Waimea RFA.

**Nominated**: Doug Ashford Chair FRFANZ, **Seconded** Robin Thompson DRFO Waimea RFA

1. **Brent Fanning**: Manawatu/Whanganui RRFC, PRFO Horizons Regional Council,

**Nominated:** Doug Ashford Chair FRFANZ **Seconded** Elton Smith Deputy PRFO Southern RFA

1. **Veronica**  **Clifford:**  Fire Research Scientist Sion

**Nominated** Mike GrantPRFO/CEO Southern RFA **Seconded** Grant PearceFire Research Scientist

1. **Elton Smith** DPRFO Southern RF. FRFANZ Committee member

**Nominated** Blackmount VRFF **Seconded** Isabella Clark

1. **Steve Gatenby** Kaingaroa Timberlands IMT & RAT Team member Pumiclands RFD

**Nominated** Evan RawereDPRFO Pumiclands RFA **Seconded** Paul WrightPRFO/CEO Pumiclands RFA

1. **Lance Johnson** Deputy PRFO Far North RFA. FRFANZ Committee member.

**Nominated** Doug AshfordChair FRFANZ **seconded** Kevin Ihaka FRFANZ Committee PRFO Whangarei District Council

1. **Bruce Kitto (QSM)** FRFANZ Committee RFO Central Hawkes Bay District Council

**Nominated** Don ScottDeputy Chair FRFANZretired **Seconded** Phill Wishnowsky PRFO Central Hawkes Bay District Council.

1. **Phill Wishnowsky** PRFO Wairarapa RFA. FRFANZ Committee member

**Nominated**: Doug Ashford Chair FRFANZ  **seconded** Don Scott

**Wajax Competitions**: Nil to report

**Conference 2014:** Proposed to be held in Tauranga2014. Second suggestions was to combine with ARFAC conference to be held in Wellington 2014

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**Conference 2013:** Graeme Still requested that FRFANZ investigate the following:

* Consider employing someone to organise the conference
* Develop information/template for how to run the conference
* Seek national sponsorship for conference – as the same sponsors have been sought4 years ago in this region

Phil Wishnowsky acknowledged the significant contribution to FRFANZ by Doug Ashford and Gavin Wallace.

**MOTION**: Move that FRFANZ make Doug Ashford and Gavin Wallace life members of FRFANZ

**Moved**: Phil Wishnowsky **Seconded:** Don Scott

Congratulations to all new committee members

There being no further business, the AGM closed at 0910 hours