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### **Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday 1st August 2007

Held at the Trailways Motor Inn, Nelson

The meeting commenced at 8.32am with 49 members in attendance.

The Chairman D Ashford welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies were received from T Mitchell, K MacLeod, D Adamson, D Geddes.

*That the apologies be accepted*  
Moved G Wallace, Seconded TeA Cook

Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting.

*That the Minutes as posted on the FRFANZ web page be accepted as a true and correct record.*  
Moved R Hamilton, Seconded D Scott

Matters Arising – Nil

Chairman's Report.

D Ashford presented his report and commenced with a tribute to Murray Simpson and called for a moments silence in his memory.

Key points in his report were:

- The overseas deployment of NZ firefighters
- Dept of Internal Affairs review of the Fire Service submission
- FRFANZ web page upgrade and the input of G Wallace
- Retirement of senior fire management people, A Flux, C Smithies, A Gamble, M Rogers and C Michie
- Fireworks still causing damage
- 4<sup>th</sup> International Fire Conference, Seville, Spain, - attendance possible through FRFANZ travel grant
- Appreciation of committee members for their input over the year.

*That the Chairman's Report be accepted*  
Moved D Ashford, Seconded G Wallace

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer presented his report highlighting the trading profit for the year of \$3680 for an accumulated funds balance of \$58,608 for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

Other points made:

- Membership of 270, down from 279 in 2006.
- Conference 2006. Excellent attendance, local committee also excelled with level of sponsorship attained.
- Australian Study Tour, lack of applications, to re-schedule of 2008.

*That the Treasurer's report be accepted*  
Moved M Geenty, Seconded B Walsh.

### **Biennial election of Officers**

The following were elected to the Management Committee for the two year period:

Chairman:	D Ashford – Moved P Hawke, Seconded P Wishnowsky
Deputy Chairman:	D Scott – Moved G Wallace, Seconded B Kitto
Committee (8 required)	Te A Cook – Moved P Hawke, Seconded B Kitto
	M Donaldson – Moved B Walsh, Seconded G Wallace
	P Wishnowsky – Moved M Geenty, Seconded D Ashford
	S Anderson – Moved G Lockyer, Seconded M Donaldson
	G Wallace – Moved P Hawke, Seconded B Kitto
	K MacLeod – Moved G Wallace, Seconded B McCabe
	E Smith – Moved M Grant, Seconded I Costello
	M Geenty – Moved B Kitto, Seconded D Scott

*That the nominations be closed  
Moved P Baker, Seconded C Millson*

### **General Business**

- P Hawke congratulated the committee for the efforts made on publicity.
- D Scott appealed to members to present their ideas to committee members for the future direction of FRFANZ.
- Essential that FRFANZ maintain access to the Minister.
- M Grant suggested a letter to the Minister with copy to the prime Minister on the non-attendance of Dept of Internal Affairs staff at the conference and also the content of his address to the Conference. Draft to be tidied up and sent to the Secretary.
- Conference 2008 – Venue will be Palmerston North, local organising committee up and running.
- Presentation to I Costello. The Chairman presented a wall plaque to I Costello in recognition of his service on the management committee since 1993.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00am.

**M.R. Geenty**  
**Secretary**