

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of  
Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust and  
Rangitāne o Wairau Settlement Trust  
held on Saturday 28 October 2017, 10.30am  
Ūkaipō, Grovetown, Blenheim**



**Rangitāne**  
Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau

**PRESENT:**

**Trustees:** Wendy Hynes (Chairperson), Calvin Hart (Deputy Chairperson), Janis de Thierry, Haysley MacDonald, Leigh MacDonald, Jeremy MacLeod

**Directors:** Dr Andrew West (RHL/RIL Chairperson), Judith MacDonald

**Present:** Lauree Ashworth, Phillippia Avery, Jeremy Banks, Aroha Bond, Margaret Bond, Richard Bradley, Luey Bradley, Skai Bradley, Karl Buckland, Moira Carey, Tracey Crafar, Wirihana de Thierry, Teoti Hou de Thierry, George de Thierry, Pharaoh de Thierry, Kowhai de Thierry, Ka'ariamai Papa de Thierry, Janis de Thierry, Anthony de Thierry, Rina Puhipuhi de Thierry-Lukitau, Lorraine Eade, Grant Elkington, Amiria Finlay, Hocquard Finlay, Michael Fryer, Endya Fryer, Mandy Fryer, Bianca Fryer, Lyn Waitapu Fryer, John Gardiner, Mercedes Gardiner, Tiana Gardiner, Wayne Green, Robyn Green, Donna Green, Ken Hart, Lisa Hart, Steve Rae Hart, Calvin Hart, Corey Heberd, Marge Heberd, Moira Heberd, Ronette Heiford, Dennis Heiford, Renee Henare, Jessica Hill, Imogen Holmstead-Scott, Florence Huntley, Jeffrey Hynes, Wendell Hynes, Safari Hynes, Wendy Hynes, Margaret Jacobsen, Tina Joseph, Maude Joseph, Phoebe Kaveney, John Kaveney, Yvonne Kaveney, Eileen Kaveney, Ngaire Kingi, Shelford Love, Sharon Love, Hine Luke, Deseanne Lukitau-Maligi, Leigh MacDonald, Len MacDonald, Andrew MacDonald, Marjorie Macdonald, Eileen MacDonald, Taane MacDonald, Chris MacDonald, Tania MacDonald, Rob MacDonald, Gregory MacDonald, Julie MacDonald, Sue MacDonald, Dayna MacDonald, Tony MacDonald, Bobbie MacDonald, Connie MacDonald, Paul Macdonald, Phillip MacDonald, Risman MacDonald, Jon MacDonald, Waru MacDonald, Jazmine MacDonald, Haysley MacDonald, Paora Mackie, Jeremy MacLeod, Erica Mason, Carol McDonald, Frances McDonald-Seng, Liz McElhinney, Michael McFadyen, Tania McGregor, Paula (Hohipera) McGregor, Gemma McKinney, Peter Meihana, Marcia Morrell, Macky Neame, Ranae Niven, Anaru Norton, Kereana Norton, Arana Norton, Riki Palatchie, Marama Pale, Sue Parish, Rahui Pene, Alison Pickering, Rina Pinker, David Proctor, Ashleigh Proctor, Pikihuia Reihana, Lacey Roussell, Natasha Sadd, Howard Sadd, Pauline Sadd, Jeanine Sadd, Johnny Sadd, Warren Sadd, Monique Sampaio, Sarah Scott, Nicole Seng, Yvonne Seng, Isobel Smith, Janelle Tamihana, Justin Tamihana, Diane Taylor, Richard Taylor, Jane MacDonald-Tibble, Viveyan Tuhimata, Cruz Tuhimata, Margie Tupara, Shevourne Tupara, Keelan Walker, Andrew West, Lisa Whekauri Singh, Rozmund White, Natalie White, Adrian White

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Staff:** Corey Heberd (Board Secretary), Jodie Palatchie, Diane Ryan, Te Ata Tuhimata

**electionz.com:** Isaiah Roberts

**Deloitte:** Trevor Deed

**Radich Law:** Peter Radich

**Kahui Legal:** Damian Stone

**Kendons:** Alastair Lloyd, Dylan Stewart

## 1. OPENING KARAKIA/MIHIMIHI:

Jeremy MacLeod opened the hui with karakia. Wendy Hynes welcomed attendees. Trustees, Directors and Advisors introduced themselves to all in attendance. The Chairperson advised all members that the hui would be recorded.

## 2. APOLOGIES

The following apologies were received: Wayne Abbott, Dyan Blick, Lisa Bradley, Kahu Carey, Shona Crafar, David de Thierry, Tyrone Elkington, Rex Gapper, Sherie Gapper, Kahu Gordon, Wayne Hebbard, Niomi Hebbard, Ayla Hebbard, Helen MacDonald, Karen MacDonald, Leslie MacDonald, Sonny MacDonald, Taylah MacDonald, Malcolm MacDonald, Lawrence MacDonald, Rachelle Neal, Clarry Neame, Kiley Nepia, Aroha Reihana, Arama Reihana, Hinemoa Reihana, Waimarie Reihana-Drummond, Mahinaarangi Reihana-Kopa, Ripeka Reihana-Turnbull, Melanie Riwai-Couch, Naida Sadd, Roseanne Tahuparae, Hemaima Tait, Chyna Tuhimata, Katarena Williams, Peter Williams, Matt Williams, Chanel Williams

<b>MOTION 1:</b>	That the apologies be accepted
Moved:	Richard Taylor
Seconded:	Janelle Tamihana
Carried:	<b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>

## 3. OVERVIEW OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FORMAT

Wendy Hynes provided members with an overview of the AGM, including a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the vote collection process, the Group structure and the agenda for the Annual General Meeting. In response to questions from members, the Trust Chairperson confirmed that the current numbers of Directors was consistent with the constitutions of the respective asset holding companies, and that those Directors were subject to background and probity checks as part of the selection process.

<b>MOTION 2:</b>	Due to the consolidation of annual reporting and planning in the Annual Report and to avoid duplication, all agenda items be deferred to and included in the AGM for Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust; and that the Annual General Meeting for Rangitāne o Wairau Settlement Trust be declared closed
Moved:	Diane Taylor
Seconded:	Mandy Fryer
Carried:	<b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>

***The Annual General Meeting of the Rangitāne o Wairau Settlement Trust was closed and the Annual General Meeting of Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust was opened.***

## 4. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2017

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18 February 2017 had been available online for a number of weeks, and were also circulated to members upon arrival. There were no corrections called for. Sue Parish called for the motion approving the minutes to be voted on by way of ballot, citing the Trust Deed. The Trust's Legal Advisor Damien Stone clarified that the Trust Deed did not include provision to require a ballot for the purpose of approving AGM minutes.

<b>MOTION 3:</b>	That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18 February 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record
Moved:	Richard Taylor
Seconded:	Frances McDonald-Seng
Carried:	<b>CARRIED BY MAJORITY</b>

#### **4.1. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 18 FEBRUARY 2017**

- a) Sue Parish questioned why the minutes of 18 February 2017 did not make reference to the red paper circulated. She was referred to section 6 of the minutes which made specific reference to the red paper circulated at the 18 February 2017 AGM.
- b) Peter Meihana questioned the Trustees in respect of the Heritage NZ case cited in s9.2 of 18 February 2017 minutes, in particular whether the Trustees received a copy of the archaeological report commissioned by Heritage NZ. The Trust confirmed they did not have a copy of the report. Peter Meihana suggested the Trustees obtain the report and familiarise themselves with its contents. Peter Radich indicated that he was familiar with the case and stated his view that as far as he was concerned that the matter should be consigned to history.

### **5. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2017**

The Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2017 was tabled and taken as read.

#### **5.1. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Peter Meihana enquired about the nature of the advice received from Peter Churchman QC, and whether a copy of the advice was available to members. The Chairperson advised that the previous Trustees had engaged Peter Churchman and that the opinion had not been shared with those who remain Trustees today. The Trust's Legal Advisor Damien Stone advised Peter Meihana to submit a request in writing, including the reasons why a copy of the advice was required, to ensure that the Trustees met their legal obligations.

Sue Parish questioned the authority of the decisions made by the Trust at a meeting on 19 February 2017. The Trust's Legal Advisor Peter Radich confirmed that the Trustees have full responsibility for operation of the Trust, and that they are entitled to make decisions affecting the business of the Trust

Ranae Niven highlighted that the Annual Report did not include the vision or values of the iwi. Janis de Thierry and Wendy Hynes acknowledged this on behalf of the Trust, and indicated that this is a focus area in the upcoming iwi consultation.

Wendy Hynes confirmed that the Rangitane Whakamua! Project was a one year project, to allow the Trust sufficient time to consult with iwi members on the structure of service delivery for the future. Janis de Thierry spoke to the positive achievements in the Te Reo me ona Tikanga kete, including successful Te Reo strategy hui in Wairau, and confirmed that the draft strategy would be presented to iwi members the following day. Leigh MacDonald provided an update to members on the organisational management, including the implementation of

robust financial policies and procedures, a fit-for-purpose health and safety management system and the General Manager recruitment process. Wendy Hynes provided an update on Taiao (Environmental) matters, including the development of an environmental management plan, protection of the Wairau Lagoons and Te Pokohiwi, and forging an alliance with other Kurahaupō iwi. Paul Macdonald suggested that timelines be attached to the environmental planning

## **5.2. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2017**

Dylan Stewart of Kendons Accountants spoke to the financial highlights for the year ending 31 March 2017. Highlights included:

- Robust financial policies and procedures were now in place for the Group, with previous areas of deficiency now rectified
- The provision of monthly financial management reporting to the Board
- IRD filing now coordinated by Kendons
- A solid financial result:
  - A strong increase in shares and quota, and overall Group equity
  - Surplus cash has been transferred to higher yield term deposits to maximise interest income
  - Property will be revalued in FY18
  - A further aquaculture settlement allocation is expected to be received

Trevor Deed of Deloitte spoke to the Audit Report for the year ending 31 March 2017, which was again a “clean and unqualified” audit. He spoke to questions raised around the one-off employee bonus, the employee entitlement to 1% of future settlements and the lack of internal controls as at 31 March 2017, which have now been resolved. In response to questions from members in relation to the 1% employee entitlement to future settlements, one-off employee bonus, and the significant effect on the financial statements, the Trust’s Legal Advisor Damien Stone responded that he had not seen such clauses (1%) in the past. Trevor Deed confirmed Deloitte felt it was unusual and accordingly flagged it for the attention of the Trustees, who have now taken steps to ensure that the matter does not reoccur in the future.

In response to questions regarding the issue of a trespass notice of an iwi member from the Runanga office, Janis de Thierry advised that the Board had undertaken an independent enquiry of the matter, and had provided an opportunity to hear from all parties involved in the incident. She indicated that the Trust’s door was not closed to further discussion between the parties involved. Trevor Deed thanked the Group for the positive working relationship over the past seven years in which he has served as auditor, and was thanked in return by the Chairperson followed by a round of applause.

## **5.3. UPDATE FROM DIRECTORS OF ASSET HOLDING COMPANIES**

RHL/RIL Chairperson Dr Andrew West and Director Judith MacDonald spoke to the success of both RHL and RIL, and outlined the opportunities ahead for the asset holding companies to

succeed, with a focus on balance sheet growth through a structured and transparent investment approach.

<b>MOTION 4:</b>	That the Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2017 be received and accepted
Moved:	Janelle Tamihana
Seconded:	Pikihuia Reihana
Carried:	<b>CARRIED BY MAJORITY</b>

\* Note that this motion was moved and seconded twice (by different members) by mistake. The original motion/mover/seconded is recorded above

## 6. ELECTION RESULTS AND CONFIRMATION OF TRUSTEES

Isaiah Roberts of electionz.com presented the provisional results of the election process for the two vacant Trustee positions:

- Melanie RIWAI-COUCH            491    Elected
- Wendy HYNES                    477    Elected
- Riki PALATCHIE                 404

Furthermore, Isaiah Roberts confirmed that there were 21 votes received at the AGM, 3 of which required verification of registration status and processing.

## 7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Janis de Thierry advised that no items of General Business were notified to the Rūnanga office by the close off date (11 October 2017) therefore there would be no General Business.

## 8. CLOSING OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Trustees thanked all those who worked at the AGM, those who volunteer in Rangitāne Whakamua and those who had taken the time to attend the Annual General Meeting. The members were invited to get in touch with the Rūnanga office if they had any questions or concerns to raise. Wendy Hynes closed the meeting at 2:00pm. Jeremy MacLeod followed with closing karakia.



17 November 2018

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**Chairperson**

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**Date**