

Minutes of a meeting of the LIANZA Otago / Southland Region Committee held in the Group Study Room at the Medical Library, University of Otago, on Wednesday 16 October, 2002 at 4pm.

Present: Elizabeth Finnie, Marilyn Fordyce, Sandy Graham, Anne Jackman, Sarah Jones, Gael Kirkus-Lamont, Lyn Macleod (Chair) and Ian Stewart

Apologies: Linda Geddes, Andrea Simonsen

1. Minutes and Matters arising: Anne had contacted Alan Bryce at the Invercargill Public Library regarding mentoring. He was due to retire at the end of the month and would be replaced by Marianne Foster. The mentoring scheme was still under development and Anne would provide progress updates as appropriate. Sarah, Elizabeth and Gael developed a survey, which was emailed or posted to about seventy members and institutions. Only ten responses had been received. Elizabeth would collate the responses for the planning meeting to be held on Wednesday 23 October.

Anne moved that the minutes be accepted.
Seconded: Elizabeth

2. Correspondence:

Inwards: Email: Steve Williams from LIANZA HQ had sent on information about a Knowledge Wave Conference for potential young leaders in the community (age 21-35 years) to be held in Auckland in 2003.

Action: Lyn would contact Steve regarding the cost of the Conference and what support was available from other sources before the Region Committee would consider suggesting potential delegates.

3. Financial Report: Gael provided a copy of the financial report from 22 July to 30 September. Future reports would be for the calendar month prior to the meeting. Invoices and receipts should be sent to Gael or brought to the meeting to be passed for payment at each meeting.

Gael moved that the report be adopted and invoices passed for payment.
Seconded: Elizabeth

4. Regional Website: Sarah reported that up to date committee details and contacts

5. National Council Report back: Ian reported that the National Information Strategy was being rewritten in a more concise readable format. Hazel Dobbie had developed a lobbying package and it was hoped that LIANZA would be able to tour this around the regions. A proposed new fee structure had been devised by Gay Richards and would be presented to members in the November *Library Life*. The decreasing membership was still of concern nationally and a membership drive team was being established. There were 600 registrants so far registered for the LIANZA Conference and all the trade exhibition spaces were sold, with further hopeful vendors on a waiting list. A number of pre and post conference workshops had been filled and second sessions had been offered to cope with the demand.

Action: Get in touch with local MPs regarding library and information matters
Katherine Rich and David Benson-Pope were known to be supportive of libraries.

6. Survey: Had been reported in Item 1. Elizabeth would send a reminder to members that feedback was due on Tuesday 22 October.

7. Planning Day: This would be held on Wednesday 23 October in the Dunningham Room from 9am – 12 noons.

Other Business:

- The Committee should mark Alan Bryce's retirement.
- Pat Kittelson had offered to speak at a meeting when she was in Dunedin following the Conference. Ian would liaise with her regarding a possible time and date.
- LIANZA archives: The minute books and printouts of minutes of meetings from about 1995 had disappeared. Gael had tidied them in preparation for handover in 1999/2000 and they had last been seen at Dunedin Public Library.
- Vision statement: there was a LIANZA statement on the website. How should this be used?
- Membership: need to encourage MLIS students and recent graduates.

The meeting closed at 5pm.