



## **NZL AGM 30th July 2025**

1. Welcome by Aksel Bech as Chair - start 7:33pm with Karakia

### ***Voting members:***

Daniel Robertson- Auckland Lacrosse Association (\*2 votes)  
Mandy Leeson - Auckland Lacrosse Association (\*2 votes)  
Maree Hill - Waikato Lacrosse (\*2 votes)  
Penny Cox - Waikato Lacrosse (\*2 votes)  
Andy McNeil - Wellington Lacrosse (\*1 vote)  
Liam Griffiths - Canterbury Lacrosse (\*1 vote)

### ***Others in attendance:***

Holly Patrick (NZL Admin)  
Miki O'Brien  
Aksel Bech - NZL Board (Chair)  
Tegan Walmsley - NZL Board  
Briar Bertram  
Debra Cowen - NZL Board (Deputy Chair)  
Sian Keys  
Nancy Yuan  
Lydia Hayden - NZL Board  
Martyn Nash - NZL Board  
Penny Cox  
Dean Foreman  
Moshe Malal - NZL Acting Treasurer  
William Ormsby  
Alice Baucke

1a: Apologies: Damon Jakeman & Bill Hollins.

1b: Conflicts of interest - none.

### **QUORUM MET**

#### **2. Quorum and clarification of voting entitlements:**

10 votes in total: all present and quorum achieved.  
4 Votes Auckland Lacrosse Association  
4 Votes Waikato Lacrosse Association  
1 Vote Wellington Lacrosse Association

1 Vote Canterbury Lacrosse Association

**3. Appointment of Scrutineers - Holly and Miki**

Proposed: Mandy

2nd: Liam Carried unanimously.

**4. Motion under section 17.12 to proceed despite any irregularities in notice requirements and use of Board Appointment Panel.**

Proposed: Liam

2nd: Maree Carried unanimously.

**5. Confirmation of the 2024 AGM & SGM minutes**

Motion to accept as true and accurate record.

Proposed: Andrew

2nd: Dan Carried unanimously.

**6. Matters Arising**

6.a NZL Goals & Strategy -review of 2022-2027 Strategy has commenced with initial steering group meeting; to be concluded in calendar year 2025 including review of High Performance strategy

Discussion: Dan discusses engaging with the players and relevant stakeholders in order to get high performance strategy, succession planning, high school and grassroots strategies in alignment across the board. Damon Jakeman (HP Director) has noted his intention to resign at some point in next 6 months -but ensuring current learnings and strategies are captured in a draft HP Strategy review that can be transitioned over to a new appointee.

6.b Membership fees -FY2026 included at rear of Acting Treasurer's report.

Discussion: Note the collaboratively derived new activity based model, moving away from a straight 'numbers of players' based model. Aksel noted this new model includes the agreed change to ever invoicing within the year, not year in arrears, and we will look to set the FY2027 fees by October/November 2025. Penny noted October is good timing for grant applications to support lowering costs to teams. Moshe commented that whilst this is the agreed way NZL will charge the members, regions are free to charge their members in the manner they wish (which may or may not be the same).

**7. Board Report**

Aksel presented his previously circulated report on behalf of NZL Board and asked it be accepted. In summary it is the Board's hope that the coming year will see us forward and future facing with continued open communication and collaboration with members.

Huge thank you to outgoing board members who didn't seek re-election: Martyn and Will. Martyn served two terms and had invaluable input on a number of our workstreams & Will ably stepped up for the year when we needed to co-opt at short notice. Our thanks!

Proposed: Liam

2nd: Penny

Carried unanimously.

## **8. Receipt of Annual Financial Report**

8a. Moshe presented Annual Financial Report for the year ending 31st March 2025 (1 April 2024-31st March 2025).

8a. Receipt of Financial Review report & Acting Treasurer's Report including adoption of 2026 Financial Year budget

Discussion on comments from Maree on Veo subs: new board will need to decide how much the campaign will cover. Discussion on Fees to be charged this past year to regions including one outstanding invoice at the time of AGM. Discussion regarding definition of long and short campaigns.

Motion that the Annual Financial Report and Review of same for year ending 31 March 2025 is adopted and that the Acting Treasurer is requested to file these with the Incorporated Societies/Companies Office as appropriate.

Proposed: Mandy

2nd: Liam

Carried unanimously.

8c. Discussion regarding de-registration of GST from 1 April 2026

Discussion regarding core NZL operations without campaign funds being below threshold for GST registration, should NZL deregister. Moshe to investigate further including looking at pros and cons -and required separation of campaign funds for accounting purposes. Advantages would be not adding GST to membership fees and reducing risk of incorrect GST treatment on overseas spent campaign funds but disadvantages need to be fully understood and considered.

## **9. Constitution review to meet new requirements of Incorporated Societies Act 2022** – to be progressed and adopted by subsequent SGM prior to 5 April 2026

## **10. Membership Applications (Regions) - none received.**

## **11. Board Elections**

11a. Two (2) Appointed Positions (Debra Cowen & Nancy Yuan)

11b. Election board members by simply majority (secret vote by members)

4 elected positions and 5 nominations.

Each of the 4 nominees presented a short pitch.

Results: 3 voted in. 2 on a run off - determined by second vote.

4 successful candidates in alphabetical order: Alice Baucke, Dean Foreman, Lydia Hayden and William Ormsby.

*Note* - Aksel noted our thanks to Ron as an independent Board member for the time he has given up for NZL and being the NZL representative for the olympic committee.

**12. Any other business** - none received

**13. Close of Meeting.** Aksel closed with a Karakia. Close 9:02pm.