

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand
Association of Theological Schools
held at the University of Auckland, Old Government House,
on Thursday, July 10 2008, at 12 p.m.**

Present

Paul Trebilco (Chair & Dept of Theology, OU), Kevin Ward (Secretary & Knox Centre for Ministry & Leadership), Kath Rushton (EIDTS), Robyn McPhail (EIDTS), Merv Duffy (Good Shepherd College), Norman Brookes (for Trinity College), Lynn Baab (Department of Theology, OU), Elaine Wainwright (School of Theology, AU), Timothy Harris (Bishopdale College), Bill Osbourne (BCNZ),

Apologies

John Dunn (CIT), Garth Stephenson (Booth College of Mission), Bruce Hansen (EIDTS), Derek Tovey (St. John's).

Minutes of the last meeting

It was moved (Trebilco/Duffy) that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 2007 be accepted as a true record. [Carried]

Matters arising

Nil

Business

- (1) It was moved and agreed that the cost of lunch be paid for by NZATS rather than, as initially intended, by participants, given that there were no other associated costs.
- (2) Verbal reports were given by each of the Colleges represented on major developments over the past year and coming events. Some reports were already on the NZATS website and those remaining were reminded to send theirs to Merv Duffy.
- (3) Officers. The existing officers were confirmed in their roles for the coming year. Paul Trebilco (President), Kevin Ward (Secretary/Treasurer), Merv Duffy (Webmaster), Garth Stephenson, Lynda Patterson (Committee Members).
- (4) NZATS AGM 2008. This will be in Wellington and it was agreed that Paul Trebilco and Kevin Ward set an appropriate date for this. It was agreed that we would not have a speaker, but rather run a forum on distance education. [**Note:** the date for the AGM will be **26 & 27 June**. Location to be advised].
- (5) Paul Trebilco asked for ratification for the spending of approximately \$800 for the provision of costs for a student from the Pacific Islands to attend the SBL Conference. This was agreed to.
- (6) ANZATS. Reminder of the ANZATS Annual Meeting following this meeting, where Charles Sherlock will be making a presentation on the Carrick Institute Report on Tertiary Education in Australia, which had some important findings for us in New Zealand.

The meeting closed at 1.25 p.m.