



**Minutes of the 87th Annual General Meeting
of the New Zealand Fire Brigades' Institute**

Gallery 2, Pullman Hotel, Auckland

27 October 2017

MINUTES

The meeting commenced at 4.30p.m.

President John Klaphake called the meeting to order and welcomed those present to the meeting. He noted his disappointment in the number of attendees at the AGM (five).

He then introduced the NZFBI Council as follows:

- Councillor Scott Lanauze
- Councillor Jared Davidson
- Councillor Phill Mackay

He also acknowledged the NZFBI Past Presidents in attendance:

- Ian King
- Brian Watters
- Rob Saunders

Apologies were received from Past Presidents Don Roper, Sandy Lawson, Allen Bestwick, Rick Eng, Tony Swain, and Russell Postlewaight.

MOTION: That the apologies be accepted.

Moved: J Klaphake

Seconded: I King

The Motion was CARRIED.

Minutes of the 86th AGM

MOTION: That the minutes of the 86th Annual General Meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: S Lanauze

Seconded: B Watters

The Motion was CARRIED.

Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 86th AGM

No matters were discussed.

Guest Speaker

John Klaphake introduced Ron Green who spoke about passive fire protection and the Grenville fire in London.

President's Report

John Klaphake noted the vision and capacity of Council members. He commended Councillors for their opens to change. He thanked the Past Presidents present who had made submissions on the proposed rule changes.

John Klaphake thanked each Councillor for their efforts over the past year. He thanked Jane Davie for her input on NZFBI matters. He also thanked George Verry and Bill Butzbach in their role as Secretary.

MOTION: That the Presidents Report be accepted.

Moved: J Klaphake

Seconded: B Butzbach

The Motion was CARRIED.

Quinn Le Cheminant has resigned from Council due to other commitments. John Klaphake presented him with a certificate of appreciation and a gift.

Proposed Rule Amendments

These were circulated prior to the AGM by email and were also available on the NZFBI web page and Facebook.

MOTION: That the changes to the NZFBI Rules be adopted as outlined.

Moved: J Klaphake

Seconded: I King

Past President Rob Saunders joined the meeting at 5.25p.m.

John Klaphake stated that these changes were required to provide a clean slate.

Bill Butzbach stated that he didn't agree with rule 6.2.3. Brendon Wood suggested adding the word "administration" into this rule which was agreed.

Ian King asked if financial members will remain. John Klaphake replied yes.

MOTION: That the changes to the NZFBI Rules be adopted with the above amendments.

Moved: J Klaphake

Seconded: I King

The Motion was CARRIED.

General Business

Past President Brendon Wood noted the UFBA's Strategic Plan and asked if there is a plan to dovetail on the UFBA excellent in learning. Bill Butzbach stated there is a need for the NZFBI to align with the UFBA and to act as the technical arm of the UFBA. John Klaphake said he is excited by the idea of Fire Camps. Bill said the NZFBI can create a niche but they also need to work in partnership with the UFBA.

Past President Brian Watters asked about the process for awarding diplomas. Jane Davie explained this to the AGM.

Scott Lanauze thanked John Klaphake for his contribution this year. He also thanked Jane Davie for her efforts.

The Annual General Meeting closed at 5.50 p.m.