



**Minutes of the 85th New Zealand Fire Brigades' Institute
Annual General Meeting**

**TSB Arena, Wellington Waterfront
13 November 2015**

MINUTES

The meeting commenced at 1635 hours.

President John Stevenson called the meeting to order and welcomed members, delegates and observers.

He then introduced the NZFBI Council as follows:

- Councillor John Klaphake
- Councillor Scott Lanauze

He also acknowledged the NZFBI Past Presidents in attendance:

- Brian Watters

Apologies were received from Councillor Brendon Wood, Councillor Russell Postlewaight, Past President Tony Swain, Past President Sandy Lawson, and Past President Rob Saunders.

MOTION: That the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Ian King
Seconded: Councillor Klaphake

The Motion was CARRIED.

Minutes of the 84th AGM

MOTION: That the minutes of the 84th Annual General Meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: Councillor Klaphake
Seconded: Bill Butzbach

The Motion was CARRIED.

President's Report

The President's Report has already been published and circulated.

President Stevenson congratulated Councillor Brendon Wood who will succeed him as President.

He thanked the staff in the UFBA office who "had done their best". He also thanked members of the Exam Panel and the UFBA Board. He noted George Verry had "been reasonably helpful".

Presentation of Diplomas

Member

Quinn Le Cheminant Newlands Volunteer Fire Brigade

Fellow

Scott Lanauze Cromwell Volunteer Fire Brigade

Installation of Officers of the Institute

As Brendon Wood was absent from the AGM, this did not take place.

Field Day Report

Councillor Klaphake stated there will be two field days in the North Island in 2016 – a rural day in Upper Hutt after the fire season has finished and a MVA day in the Wairarapa which will be combined with RCR work.

Councillor Lanauze said the Manapouri Field Day was a huge success and will be held again in the future. A Fonterra site tour is planned in Christchurch around the time of the UFBA Conference. Other ideas being considered are Richmond, rural fire authority in Otago, Contact Energy hydro geothermal power, and IFE Southland Port of Otago.

General Business

Discussion took place regarding the proposed application for charitable status of the NZFBI. A proposal will be made to next year's AGM for the necessary rule changes to allow this to happen.

The Annual General Meeting closed at 1705 hours.