



Te Hunga Takutai o Aotearoa

# NEW ZEALAND COASTAL SOCIETY

## AGM Minutes

December 2, 2020

12.00pm – 12.30pm

### Meeting Location

Virtual Webinar

### Attendees:

NZCS Management Committee: Paul Klinac, Tom Shand, Don Neale, Mike Allis, Ana Sorrano, Jose Borrero, Craig Davis, Rebekah Haughey, Ali Clarke, Amy Robinson, Colin Whittaker, Renee Coutts

Rob Bell, Dougal Greer, Georgina Flowers, Hamish Rennie, Jai Davies-Campbell, Kath Coombes, Matthew McNeil, Rhys McIntosh, Ryan Abrey, Sam Scott-Kelly, Sarah McCarter, Terry Hume, Matt Rivers, Christoph Soltau, Holly Rausch (Engineering NZ), Rebecca Mather (Engineering NZ)

### Apologies:

Mark Ivamy, Sam Morgan

### Chair Welcome

- Paul welcomed attendees.
- Apologies.
- 2020 AGM minutes have been circulated.

Paul

### Moved that AGM minute be received and accepted. Seconded by Tom Shand. Carried.

- The society has had a difficult year.
- We lost a dear friend, colleague and contributor with Eric Verstappen's passing in January 2020.
- Our annual conference was affected by Covid-19 so a change in direction to a hybrid-virtual event was made which included a webinar series, webinar based conference launching our latest special publication, with some regional based events also. There were 360 online registrations and over 170 attendees in person at regional based events.
- Coast and Ports 2021 is still scheduled for September 2021 and Paul encourages members to show their support and attend the conference which is to be held in Christchurch.

### Treasurers Report

2019/20 financial year summary.

- Planned to make a \$22k loss, instead have made a \$18k loss. General rule is to draw down reserves over a six year cycle which would be countered

Mike

<p>with the Coast and Ports conferences that boost reserves back up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All awards were granted, and some regional events were also</li> <li>- Invercargill conference also made a profit, and book value is expected to be between \$5-7k thanks to sponsorship.</li> <li>- End of year standings is that there is \$405k in bank split between term deposit, and the current account.</li> </ul> <p>2020/21 financial year forecast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expect to spend inline with previous years with spending of awards, regional events and conferences.</li> <li>- Small profit is expected for the hybrid-conference.</li> <li>- Largest financial uncertainty will lie with the Coast and Ports 2021 conference and forecasts have been revised to potentially anticipate a \$14k profit rather than historical \$80k. The organising committee of the conference are monitoring the current travel restrictions and changes to this closely.</li> <li>- Performance is strongly dependant on the Coast and Ports conference. If budget is met, a loss of \$16k would be expected which would be drawn down from reserves. It is therefore expected \$390k available in reserves by the end of the financial year.</li> <li>- The prudent direction of previous directors has meant the society is in a sound financial state and has been able to weather a difficult year.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Scholarships and Awards</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All awards were awarded this year.</li> <li>- The society are keen to support research in coastal areas and encourage members to apply for the awards each year.</li> <li>- New direction this year was to outreach into the younger generations and sponsor some awards at Science Fairs. Two awards were presented in Auckland and Bay of Plenty.</li> <li>- If members are aware of localised events that promote the vision and values of the Society, we would be interested in hearing about opportunities to provide support and awareness.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Craig</b></p>
<p><b>Publications and Regional Activity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coastal News has been published with three issues this year and has continued to display a diverse range of topics and coverage within the coastal sector.</li> <li>- Editor Charles Hendtlass is always looking for more contributions and content, so members are encouraged to contact the Society if they have any interesting articles or content.</li> <li>- Special Publication issue 4 – Coastal Systems and Sea Level Rise has been</li> </ul>	<p><b>Don</b></p>

<p>released this year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Special thanks to Charles Hendtlass (editor), Sam Morgan and all the authors for their contributions to developing this publication. The special publication is a great contribution to the topic within New Zealand.</li> <li>- The Webinar Series will continue into 2021 after a successful inaugural year.</li> <li>- Special thanks to the conference organising committee, especially Terry Hume for pulling together our 2020 conference.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Membership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Total numbers are increased this year, mainly in the student areas compared to last.</li> <li>- Members directory is now available on our website which has over 150 members and their biographies and is searchable for members to look through.</li> </ul>	<b>Rebekah</b>
<p><b>Life Member Induction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In September 2020 the committee received a nomination for Life Membership for Rob Bell.</li> <li>- The committee unanimously voted for the acceptance of the nomination and to welcome Rob as a life member of the NZCS.</li> <li>- Rob accepted the life membership in November 2020.</li> <li>- Rob has had a pivotal role in the coastal sector within New Zealand and made significant contribution to the NZCS since the societies inception.</li> <li>- A formal presentation of Rob's life membership will be made at the Coast and Ports conference in 2021.</li> <li>- Rob spoke to the award, and is really humbled. He wanted to acknowledge the late Eric Verstappen and the grounding Eric provided to Rob's work in how science and engineering could be applied at the local level. Rob also thanked Paul for initiating the award through the committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Paul</b>
<p><b>Nominations and Closing Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The committee has one resignation from Tom Shand for the coming year, and Paul Klinac will also stand down as Chair, but remain on the committee.</li> <li>- 1 x formal nomination has been received for Connon Andrews to join the executive committee.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion to accept the nomination of Connon Andrews, and those existing executive committee members be re-elected for the coming year. Craig Davis has seconded the motion. Carried.</b></p>	<b>Paul</b>
<p><b>General Business and Questions</b></p>	

<p>Website and Social Media Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All our videos from the webinar series are archived on Youtube and via our website.</li> <li>- Member directory is also available and well utilized by members. Thanks to the administrative team for seeking input into the member directory and getting this up and running.</li> <li>- The website also has a situations vacant/opportunities page for members to utilise and advertise their vacancies.</li> <li>- General call out for anyone who would like to be a contributor to either our Instagram and Facebook page to repost relevant news stories and content to our social media pages.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Closing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minutes will be distributed to all members.</li> <li>- Paul declared that the AGM is closed.</li> <li>- Thank you for joining us and have a safe and happy holiday season.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Paul</b></p>

Meeting closed 12.30pm