MEETING MINUTES

Date 10th May 2006 – 2.30 – 4.30 p.m.

Subject AWINZ BOARD MEETING – Held at Takapuna


Apologies: Sarah Giltrap

Neil signed the minutes of the meeting held June 2004

Appointment of additional trustee

Clause 7.2 of the Deed provides:

(a) The Board shall consist of not less than 4 nor more than 8 members, provided that where a vacancy occurs the remaining trustees may act until a replacement Trustee is appointed. The initial members of the Board shall be the four signatories who signed this Deed as Trustees.

(b) The Trustees may appoint up to 4 additional Trustees. Before appointing additional Trustees under this clause the Board will consult with its strategic partners and have regard to the needs of the Trust having regard to the Trust’s activities and the skills required by the Board and the extent to which the appointee will enhance the balance of those skills.

Neil advised that he had written to MAF and advised them that Wyn had been nominated as a trustee. The Memorandum of Understanding with MAF is that we will advise them of the nomination of any new trustee. Joanna Tuckwell has written back advising that MAF supports the appointment of Wyn as a Trustee.

IT WAS RESOLVED that Wyn Hoadley be appointed in terms of clause 7.2(b) as an additional Trustee.

Appointment of officers

The following appointments were agreed to:

Chairperson — Wyn Hoadley
Secretary — Nuala Grove
Treasurer — Chris Wells.

Financial Report

- Opening credit $17,000 was revenue generated from movies
- There is $29,000 in the trading account, still waiting on approximately $5,000 from Bridge to Teribitha movie production
• BWC funds became part of operating fund but Lord Dowding Fund remains as the Lord Dowding fund
• Lord Dowding fund has funded Unitec for $10,000 for research using artificial animals vs. real animals in teaching
• $90,000 is held as deposit for the Lord Dowding Fund
• $5,000 held in Trust Fund for future Conservation Medicine conferences. The last conference generated enough revenue for reimbursement of $2,000 plus the additional $5,000 held in Trust.
• Ma Lava overpaid reimbursement and therefore a $68 reimbursement cheque sent
• Movie Waterhorse currently being filmed in New Zealand
• Committee must complete a National Bank form

IT WAS resolved that there must be two signatures on all outgoing payments from the Trust. Those authorised to sign cheques are: Wyn Hoadley, Nuala Grove, Graeme Coutts, and Christine. Wells.

Lord Dowding Fund/BWC:
Background: Lord Dowding was the commander of the RAF during the Battle of Britain. He and his wife Muriel jointly founded Beauty Without Cruelty, and the Lord Dowding Fund in the UK. Lord Dowding Fund finances research into animal alternatives, while BWC campaigned against the use of animals for testing of cosmetic products. BWC succeeded in their objective and was dissolved. The New Zealand funds were generated through small donations made over the years and the balance handed to AWINZ. In the 1980’s the fund financed Massey University to digitise physiology and anatomy of animals Neil Wells is completing a paper with Alex Davies about the Fund and the research conducted at Massey University.

Registration as Charitable Trust and tax exempt status with IRD
AWINZ has not been registered under the Charitable Trusts Act to date, this needs to be organised. IRD approvals required.
What is an approved organisation: It is an organisation approved by Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry under the Animal Welfare Act. AWINZ and SPCA are the only two approved organisations.
It was agreed to seek charitable trust approval with IRD and Charitable Trust Act.

Waitakere Fund raiser
Waitakere fund raiser letter will be incorporated with the annual Waitakere Dog Registration Run 2006. Funds generated through this will go towards establishing a community veterinary clinic to provide extra treatment for all animals at low costs, including community services card holder’s discounts. Similar to the UK Peoples Dispensary for Sick Animals which operates by providing subsidies from donations. One of the main objectives of the clinic is to ensure that nothing leaves the Waitakere Animal Welfare centre without being desexed.

Report on film monitoring
Bridge to Terabithia: boy lives in rural USA girl moves in next door from the city. Friendship develops they create a mythical island on the farm. New Zealand used dog Patty, and a possum Filmed in Mangatawhiri, Woodhill Forest and Riverhead Forest
In the future Chronicles of Nania will be made by Disney including Prince of Caspian likely to be filmed in New Zealand. There is a move to build a movie studio in West Auckland.
AWINZ need to progress the Draft code and submit to MAF for approval to Sheryl O’Connell in MAF
A minimum standard needs to stipulate a condition that each set must have a monitor for animals used in movies
Appears more need for film monitoring as industry grows
NAWAC would review submissions, but AWINZ would need to ensure that all those likely to be affected are consulted.
Draft then goes to MAF and NAWAC

Report on website
The AWINZ website will be getting an overhaul, with new information regarding animal care and promoting better animal welfare practices. It will include lost and founds, how to be a foster parent, remedy problem dogs, animal first aid and more. We hope to have the website up and running by mid 2006 in conjunction with the Dog registration run.

Status of Deed
Neil advised that the original signed deed had been mis-filed
Neil and with Wyn will work on a revision of the deed
Deed needs to be finalised in the next 4 weeks

Next meeting: Mid September 2007 or Late October 2007

CONFIRMED as a correct record:

Chair
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