

**Minutes of the New Zealand Drillers Federation Inc Council Meeting  
Thursday February 25, 2016 at Wellington Airport Convention Centre**

1. **Present:** Steve Faulkner, Steve Pilcher, Jeff Ashby, Sam Woodford, Mel Griffiths, Zane Brown, Iain Haycock, Mark de Goldi, Marcus Durrant, John Butt, Ken Mears, Debbie Lovett  
**Apologies** – James Chapman, Tony Lyons, Dale Preston  
 Moved: Sam Woodford/Jeff Ashby
  
2. **Minutes of previous council meeting / Matters arising**  
 All items moved to general business for discussion  
 Minutes accepted as true record  
 Moved: Jeff Ashby/Tim Babbage
  
3. **Correspondence**

CORRESPONDENCE FOR FEBRUARY MEETING		
DATE	FROM	SUBJECT
13-Dec	MITO	Industry Summit updates / next one June 1, 2016 Te Papa
15-Dec	Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue	thank you letter for donation
16-Dec	Milnes Beatson	IRD form for signing <i>returned for filing with IRD</i>
18-Dec	MITO	request for entries for scholarship <i>reminder sent to all contractors/council</i>
11-Jan	BNZ	Term deposits up for renewal mid Jan <i>after vote from council agreed to leave as is and rollover</i>
12-Feb	MITO	announced scholarship recipients <i>news sent to members</i>
17-Feb	Tony Lyons	history /book <i>to be discussed</i>
17-Feb	MITO	Campaign request for info <i>Phone call obtained points to bring to Council</i>
24-Feb	NetMaestro	offered reduction in costs following emails <i>to be approved</i>

John Butt tabled a letter which was discussed at length. The main points were raised:

- Minutes/bank account – as bank account change had already happened nothing could be done about it. Minutes had been sent already so note was made in November minutes regarding this. A further discussion followed about bank account change.
- Training - was discussed again (also see Drillers Registration November minutes) A suggestion was made to share course availability on website. This will benefit

businesses with smaller numbers of employees as often there are minimum numbers for courses. Debbie to set up area on website for this.

- Book – clarification that although a budget of \$10,000 had been agreed for this year to enable interviews to take place for life members this in no way indicated future budget decisions.

MITO – email about campaign timing for Drillers Qualifications – moved to General Business

Tony – request for discussion around book – moved to General Business

Net Maestro charges were discussed and agreed to accept offer of reduction in charges and free hosting for 3 months.

Moved: Ken Mears/Sam Woodford

#### 4. Finances

##### INVOICES TO BE RATIFIED FEB MEETING

DATE	FOR	AMOUNT
16-Nov	Stations 2001 - conference	\$ 625.00
16-Nov	Mears reimbursement	\$ 5,667.84
17-Nov	Refund from conference	\$ 60.00
20-Nov	Lyons flight reimburse May 2015	\$ 406.00
30-Nov	Net Maestro - updates	\$ 339.25
30-Nov	Wellington Airport - meeting	\$ 862.50
30-Nov	Westpac Helicopter - conference donation	\$ 7,132.00
12-Jan	Quaystone - presentation cheque	\$ 97.75
	Net Maestro monthly Nov	
12-Jan	Net Maestro monthly Dec	\$ 352.48
	Net Maestro updates \$101.78	
20-Jan	Net Maestro monthly AP	\$ 126.35
20-Feb	Net Maestro monthly AP	\$ 126.35
26-Feb	Lovett flight reimbursements	\$ 4,296.00
26-Feb	Plasticard - driller reg cards	\$ 30.19
26-Feb	Lovett EO time Sept- Dec	\$ 3,390.00
	<b>Total expenses since November meeting</b>	<b>\$ 15,795.52</b>
	Drillers registrations	\$ 2,250.00
	One new member	\$ 600.00
	Outstanding registration invoices	\$ 1,500.00
	<b>Total income since November meeting</b>	<b>\$ 4,350.00</b>
	<b>balance in ASB cheque account after payments</b>	<b>\$ 28,553.94</b>
	Term deposit 1 BNZ mature 24/1/16	\$ 64,621.16
	Term deposit 2 BNZ mature 20/1/16	\$ 33,973.37
	<b>total bank accounts as at 26/2</b>	<b>\$ 127,148.47</b>

Term deposits have rolled over in separate accounts as decided by majority of councillors. Debbie to investigate setting up account with Air NZ

Moved: Zane Brown/Sam Woodford

## 5. **Drillers Qualification**

Request from MITO for council to discuss timing for campaign – did downturn in industry indicate bad time for this? Council decided this would not impact as when companies less busy there is more time for training. However feedback around table was that the process for registering/test was complicated and disconnected. The pathway for the RCC process needed to be simplified. Sam explained general process and agreed to act as conduit for MITO and will take concerns back to them. In principal campaign should go ahead when processes sorted out.

## 6 **Drillers Registration**

Council discussed at length how to promote this. Iain suggested possible date for closing applications. Has been mentioned in a tender already so hopeful this will drive registrations. H&S changes may also drive.

News item to go on website when we reach 50 members that 10% of drillers now registered. Suggestion that drillers need to know more about it to push employers to register them. Agreed that next ADIA mag to have ads for Drillers Qualification and Drillers Reg under President and EO articles. Steve and Debbie to sort out with Christine.

Debbie to email all contractors registration form as prompt for employers.

Social media to reach younger drillers – Debbie to set up Facebook page. Work on our website page to make clearer easy to apply. Need to create competition between companies. All councillors to lead the way by registering employees.

## 7 **General Business**

- Lobbying – no further update

- Initiatives – no further update

Someone to speak to Marco Holtriger about membership

- Rule book

Jeff currently reviewing. Nothing drastic needed but some wording very long and not easily readable. Membership definitions need work and include more H&S and work on mission statement. Jeff to complete markup now they have reviewable copy and circulate to council. To be discussed again next meeting.

- Life memberships

Golf club comparison sheet circulated. Something similar can be devised. Debbie to revise/complete spreadsheet of council members since inception. Sam to make spreadsheet to complete measurables. Honorary memberships can be another option used

- History

No interviews have been done yet. Jeff reported that Helen Riley is now unavailable. Steve Pilcher asked for clarification about direction – NZDF or drilling? Ken showed a history book but warned of dangers of people's perception of facts can be skewed.

Need to obtain drilling magazines – possibly from ADIA and Russell Bayliss

Jeff to get Russell Bayliss, Bill Washington, Lyell McMillan and Bain Webster together for them to discuss formation/direction. To be a 10 year project with funds capped as much as possible.

Actions for council:

Steve F to ring Doreen for memorabilia

Steve P to ring Doug Chase

Zane to talk to Martyn for history of Brown family and family tree  
Jeff to talk to Alex Pyne about Antarctic drilling  
Mel to talk to Dad  
Steve P to talk to Woody

- AGM weekend  
Replies trickling in after 2 emails out. Council to reply ASAP. Helen/Debbie liaising for lists of contacts  
Jeff to apply to NZRU for 200 tickets – better to have too many than not enough  
Jeff to send Debbie poster/flier for ADIA mag
- Worksafe  
Debbie to email members reminding them about Worksafe changes in regulations and advising contact local consultant
- Steve Pilcher gave an update about the girl from the Child Cancer Foundation video at Queenstown conference. She recently had a relapse but is now recovering well
- Steve Pilcher also suggested that any interesting H&S emails should be shared around members

Meeting close 3.10pm

Next meeting has been rescheduled for Friday June 17