

1. Welcome and Introductions

Tony welcomed everyone for attending online.

Due to struggling to hold AGM's at NZSS with a full quorum of 25 representatives we decided we would try an online alternative to include more people.

2. Roll Call

Tony Rogers – President [Wellington,] **Ange Russek** – [Secretary] St Peter's Cambridge, **Brad Smith** [Treasurer] – Tauranga Boys College, **Judith Revell** – [Executive] Mt Albert Grammar, **Jakub Kalinowski** – [Executive] St Peters College Auckland, **Paul Mead** [Executive] (Counties Manukau), **John Tylden** [Life member & Events Coordinator], **Alec McNab** – [Executive] Whanganui Collegiate, **Rachel Hull** – [Seconded Executive] Havelock North High, **John Gamblin** – [Executive] St Bede's, **Glen Ward** [Executive] **Jared Leticia** – Takapuna Grammar, **Nico Leiseder** – Auckland Grammar, **Daniel Lewis** – Auckland Girls Grammar, **Murray Green** – Te Awamutu College, **Steve Rees-Jones** – Cambridge High School, WSSAA, **Jason Cressingham** – Te Paepae o Aotea, Hawera, **Annika Pfitzinger** – Waimea College, **Sandra Pooch** – Burnside High School, **Bill Boyd** – Burnside High School, **Sue Boyd** - Christchurch Girls High, , **Mike Dury** – Christchurch Boys, **Paul Norton** – Hillview Christian,

3. Apologies: none received

4. Minutes of the 2022 AGM

Noted that a spelling correction required of Brian Cowan (service award section)

Alec moved that the minutes be accepted

Seconded by Jason C

Attendees Agreed

5. Chairman's Report

Chair reported that we have the flexibility to reconvene at another date if a quorum is not met. A Thursday suitable day.

Tony acknowledged and thanked two remarkable people of NZSSAA

- ✓ **John Tylden** as a retiring Executive member of over 35 years of excellent service to the organisation especially driving Championships organisation and being our Event Coordinator. A life member and former President
- ✓ **Alec McNab** who has now attended 50 x NZSS cross country and 50 x NZSS track and field championships in his role at Wanganui Collegiate and is still a current executive member

Chair recognised and Acknowledged

- ✓ Celebrations 50th Anniversary and honouring service of original visionary people who set the direction back prior to December 1973 first Championship .
- ✓ Real sense of pride and engagement was noted at the dinner.
- ✓ Fitting to stage the NZSS championships at Christchurch where it first started. Ascot Park as a venue for NZSS Cross Country was also relevant to the 50th event.
- ✓ A huge appreciation and thanks to John Gamblin for hosting these three major events at such a high level over the last 8 months.

From an Executive point of view, NZSS pleased to be able to sustain income levels and support costs for holding championships. We are thankful for our sponsorship and streaming support from Waddell and Associates and SAS that support us with over \$40k in sponsorship. Another provider travel agent Rex Taylor has provided great service for teams travelling abroad.

Chair outlined the reason for the Remit to be discussed how we format our Executive team moving forward and the need to make further changes, so we are meeting requirements of an Incorporated Society by April 2026.

Number of teams selected at NZSS events, 2023 and 2024 Internal Classic Tours and Australian Tours for track & Field Nationals in Brisbane and Adelaide along with the 2023 AUS Cross country Championships in Canberra 2

Chairs expressed gratitude in being able to lead the Delegation of NZSS Schools team to Schools World Cross Country in Nairobi. He thanked Judith Revell for leading NZSS track and field teams and Brad Smith for leading NZSS cross country tours.

The Chair gave a brief update on the health and mobility of our Patron Barry Magee

Acknowledgement too of Jason Cressingham for the success of Inglewood Championship and Jake Oram and team in Manawatu staging the 2023 NZSS Cross Country at Massey University. Our SISS and NISS events were well organised, we are fortunate to have the regions providing such good events for our athletes.

We must continue to develop a strong footprint in our Schools market especially tournament week. Chair noted that of the Top 20 school entries at our most recent NZSS events have a lot of large single gender schools attending but need to raise the attendance of co-ed schools across the country. Mixed relays will hopefully encourage co-ed schools to get more involved. Two co-ed schools in the top two with entries are consistently St Peter's in Cambridge and Whanganui Collegiate for both Championships. Would be good to increase more co-ed schools to be involved.

Road Relays Festival at Pakuranga on the 5th & 6th September we hope will encourage schools to participate in winter tournament week.

Chair expressed thanks to schools for support of all our events especially the drivers of the athletics programmes

And to the executive and their roles and support.

Tony moved that his Chairmans report be accepted.

Seconded by Brad with acknowledgement of the Chair

Brad Smith added a thank you to Tony for all the work and time he has spent in his role at NZSSAA Chairperson and his professionalism in the role.

Attendees Agreed

6. Treasurer's Report

Brad will share his 14-page performance report for Accountants. Will email it out.

Record number of subsidies handed out to our young athletes. An expensive year with a \$20k loss with additional staff to attend meets and tours and supporting events and regions hosting events.

Brad moved that the Attendees approve Treasurer's report in principle as it has received auditors' approval.

Attendees Agreed

7. Election of Officers

The Chair Explained that with Leave of the meeting he expressed the rationale that the Election of Officers to be taken after knowing the outcome of the Notice of Motion – Remit 1, 2 and 3 which requires a full quorum of 25 people

a) Executive

Current Executive members are listed. (Indicated in Blue italics is their willingness to stand for election)

The Northern Based [Auckland/Waikato Bay of Plenty] executive

Officers:

President/Chairman: Tony Rogers – *(available)*

Secretary: Angela Russek - *(available)*

Treasurer: Brad Smith - *(available)*

Committee:

Paul Meads

Judith Revell - *(available)*

Jakub Kalinowski - *(available)*

Geoff Shaw

b) Regional Reps

The regional representatives currently are available for re-election.:

Central North Island: **vacant** - [*Seconded Rachel Hulls SNI area*] - (*available*)
Southern North Island: **Alec McNab** - (*available*)
Northern South Island: **John Gamblin** - (*available*)
South Island: **Glen Ward** - (*available*)

Retired during term: John Tylden (*Immediate Past President*) and Rhys Taucher

8. Records for Ratification

Records for Ratification from 2022 and 2023 Championships

see attached 'Appendix I'

John G moved that the records be ratified
Seconded by Rachel

Attendees Agreed

10. Service to Secondary School Athletics Awards

- **Any further Nominations for recipients of NZSSAA SERVICE Awards are Welcome**
Please send them to tony@cesports.co.nz or make them at the AGM.

11. Notices of Motion: **Held over to establish Quorum**

Chair spoke to the remits, background of the regions and the constitution not being reviewed since 2001. Some areas to look at and review are outlined in the Remit document

Remit: 1, 2 and 3

see attached 'NZSSAA Notice of Motion for AGM - July 2024'

12. Dates for Championships Events

2025 - NZSS Cross Country @ Whangarei 14-15 June 2025

2025 - NZSS Track and Field and Roads are to be confirmed by incoming Executive.

13. General Business

Jarod Letica - mentioned that Auckland College Sport had removed Track and Field Zone days and gone with the one Auckland Schools Championships as a 1-2 day event. He wasn't in favour of that decision as it wasn't in the interest of the sport and encouraging students to engage and stay involved in the sport. Decisions seem to be made around officials and volunteers from schools to assist and support.

Chair recommend that NZSSAA can help region lobby with College Sport.

Next Meeting:

The Meeting attendees agreed that we try to reconvene on **Thursday 22 August at 4.15pm**

We hope to establish a constitutional quorum and ask that, that meeting pass one resolution on all items passed in principle, hence leaving the Notice of Motion and Elections to be completed.

If the quorum is not met, then we would look to hold postal ballot.