



Minutes IYANZ AGM 2018

Sunday, August 26th, 2018 - Herne Bay Yoga, Auckland

Meeting Opened at 2.10 pm

Attendees

- Anna Timms (chair), Melodie Batchelor, Jyoteeka Cummings, Erica Viedma, Kathleen Powell, Jane H. Jones, Neil Mackay, Glenn McBeth, Eira Punt, Susie Lever, Joy Sanders, Suzi Carson, Neil Pyne

Invocation

Apologies

- Jo Peden, Alison Salmons, Michelle Robinson, Corry Regnier

Minutes of Previous Meeting Passed

Matters Arising

1. Eira asking after conversion of VHS database to digital. This is still ongoing. Kathleen informs us that Alan Goode has completed many transfers to digital in Australian database. Jyoteeka to send the list of our VHS to Pune or to Alan so that we do not transfer any that have already been archived.

Financial Report (See Attached)

1. Question as to how the \$19,000 deficit has come about. It is due to the Annual workshop being held in November rather than May. So the funds for the 2018 workshop did not come into the account in the year of 2017 as they have been for the last few year. Also cost are rising as are our expenses around the website, marketing, assessments.
2. Discussed the possibility of increasing the subs cost to members. Jyoteeka assures us that she monitors costs closely and that we currently have a sustainable bank balance.
3. Anna suggested that we keep the subscription cost the same but keep working to fill up events and for teachers to encourage students to become members. Generally agreed that we do not have enough justification to increase membership fees for non-teacher members.
4. Question from Joy as to how we can get more representation of Iyengar yoga at festivals and events, for example the Hauora Conference at the end of this year. Jyoteeka mentioned that we had been in touch with NZ Fit over the last year. It seemed that they were just interested in promoting our classes in a Grabone like

manner and the Executive decided not to go further with our discussions with them. Joy mentioned that she had worked at one of the festivals with no results. Melodie Melodie says that the Hauora Conference is to create standards for yoga which Iyengar Yoga already has, so not as relevant to our association.

5. Suzy Carson queried the revenue from subscriptions compared to 2017. Anna replied that the membership is stable - the accounts don't always reflect this due to timing of the conference compared to end of financial year.
6. Also query as to rising assessment costs. Jyoteeka says that the differences between 2017 and 2018 can be due to the cut off for the financial year. Melodie also added that the cost of assessments will keep rising, especially finding affordable studio space and that eventually cost of assessments will have to rise.
7. Proposal that the AGM be held during the conference. This was seen to be difficult due to timing of accounts, and distraction from main purpose of conference. Query as to whether this could work for Gulnaaz in Christchurch, 2019.

Financial report passed by Melodie and seconded by Glenn

Chairperson's Report - Anna

(See attached report) A huge thanks from all to Anna Timms for her contribution while on the board.

Treasurer's Report - Jyoteeka

(See attached report) Much has been done over the past year to make streamline the subs and accounts with good effect. Jyoteeka continues to monitor and maintain the accounts.

A&TT Report - Susie

(See attached report) Great work being done by those on the A&TT especially in ensuring that all levels of assessments are offered. Noted by those present that the level of applicants has been rising, reflected in the number of people passing assessments. This could also be a reflection of increasing efficacy of teacher training around the country.

Events report - Anna

Currently no events committee. Instead, small subgroups are created for specific events. Anna reported on the progress of the National Conference. 70 registrations to date. Glen and Neil accepted leading a quiz on the Saturday night. Glen will work on making books and t-shirts available. Kathleen and Erica will work on getting more communication out, with a question of whether the group email is being underused. Offer from Aucklanders to provide equipment for those flying in. Melodie to contact Jude re. Printing large posters.

Bookshop - Glenn

(See attached report) Glenn is expecting a large order, and suggests that it is time to adjust prices - especially the considerable cost of Astadala Yogamala. It was decided that we would only adjust prices up and not adjust any down. The idea is for the Bookshop to be available online soon. Suggested that the current organisation of the Yoga Rahasya is

labour intensive and sporadic. Suggested for Glenn to order around 50 to 60 of each edition to be part of the bookshop.

Library - Jyoteeka

Only a couple of requests this year.

Link - Kathleen

(See attached report) Progressing well, printed copies will be distributed to members at the Raglan convention.

PR Report - Erica

(See attached report) Discussed the current plan and it was suggested that the PR committee ensure the goals for this campaign be set concretely. Erica said that targets and measures of success have been set by Rosie and Catherine and that we have full confidence that we will be making progress.

Election of Officers

Results of the online election were shared. 116 votes received. Jo Peden and Eira Punt were elected with Jo Peden taking on the role of Chairperson. A reminder that we the constitution also allows non-teaching members on the exec.

Items for Discussion

1. Discussed changing the association name from B.K.S. Iyengar Association of New Zealand to Iyengar Yoga NZ. Unanimously passed.

Meeting Finished 3.40 pm