

# NZCS 2019 Annual General Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday 13 August 2019

**Time:** 7:30 pm

**Venue:** Upstairs function room, Horse and Trap, 3 Enfield St, Auckland 1024

**Chair:** Simon Raby NZCS

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## Present

David Paul NZCS  
Bevan Crothers  
Leon Narby NZCS  
Amber Wakefield  
Aaron Morton NZCS  
Simon Tutty

Michael Paletta  
Nigel Burton  
Drew Sturge  
Simon Raby NZCS  
Ainsley Calderwood  
Bailey Broom-Peake

Donny Duncan NZCS  
Nina Wells  
Graham Morris  
Murray Milne NZCS  
Mairi Gunn  
Chris McKenzie

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## Minutes

### 1. Apologies

John Blick NZCS, Ian Mccarrol, David Garbett, Mark Lapwood ACS, Guy Quartermain, Grant Baker, Tory Evans, Richard Bluck NZCS

### 2. Minutes the previous AGM

2.1. Motion: that the minutes of the 2018 AGM be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

*Moved: Donny Duncan NZCS, Secondned: Michael Paletta*

### 3. The President's report

3.1. President's report.

3.2. Motion: that the president's report be adopted.

*Moved: Michael Paletta, Secondned: Mairi Gunn*

### 4. The Treasurer's report on the finances of the Society, and the Statement of Accounts

4.1. Annual Report and financial statements – copies provided

4.2. Motion: The Treasurer's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts be adopted

*Moved: Nina Wells, Secondned: David Paul NZCS*

## 5. Rule Amendments

- Remove the term 'Secretary' entirely from the Rules because those duties are now primarily performed by the EO. This would necessitate various title changes to either 'Treasurer' or 'Executive Officer' but will not change the essence of the Rule:
  - Rule 4.1 (c), Rule 5.1 (b), Rule 7.1, Rule 10.6, Rule 12.1, Rule 12.2, Rule 13.1, Rule 13.2 (b) x4 mentions, Rule 22.3, Rule 22.4 x2 mentions, Rule 22.6, Rule 22.10 (f), Rule 23.1, Rule 23.1 (b) x2 mentions, Rule 25.1 (b), Rule 26.2, Rule 26.3, Rule 28.1 (l). Remove Rule 22.10 (d) and Rule 5.1 (c), Rule 9.3 (e) and (f) shall be moved to the Treasurers responsibility, Rule 9.3 – distribute functions back to the President and Treasurer to oversee that Executive Officer completes tasks accordingly.
- Rule 6.2 – To add 'upon request' – allowing the committee more flexibility with the hand over from departing committee members still assisting with committee activities.
- Rule 9.1 (c) To add to sentence "*in relation to the New Zealand Screen Production Industry*" – allowing the President's speech to address purely internal matters, not just matters as they relate to the wider screen industry.
- Rule 10.1, 10.2, 10.3. - Reference to 'Ordinary member' to be updated to 'Cinematographer member'
- Rule 10.5 - Reference to 'Full member' to be updated to 'Cinematographer member'
- Rule 11.1 and 11.3 - Deleting the word Ordinary from 'an Ordinary Member' so it just reads 'a Member'
- Rule 20.3 - To add that if the Treasurer can not attend the monthly Committee meeting, they can appoint either the Executive Officer or an authorised bank signatories to report on their behalf.
- Rule 22.8 – Correct spelling of Vive to Vice
- Rule 28.1 (g) – Add 'digital' so it reads "means any real, digital or personal property"

Motion: The suggested Rules shall be accepted and amended.

*Moved: Simon Raby NZCS, Secondned: Drew Sturge – Carried unanimously by show of hands*

## 6. Election of President, Vice President and Treasurer

### 6.1. Nominations received prior to AGM:

President – Simon Raby NZCS  
Vice President – Nina Wells  
Treasurer – Murray Milne NZCS

No nominations were received from the floor

### 6.2 Election of officers

President – Simon Raby NZCS  
*Moved: Donny Duncan NZCS, Secondned: Aaron Morton*  
Vice President – Nina Wells  
*Moved: Mairi Gunn, Secondned: Aaron Morton*  
Treasurer – Murray Milne NZCS  
*Moved: Bevan Crothers, Secondned: Leon Narby NZCS*

Positions were declared as elected unopposed.

## 7. Election of Committee Members

### 7.1. Consider how large the committee shall be (rule 5.1.a) Consider how long each person will be a Committee Member ('the Term') apart from the President (see rule 9.1)

Motion: that the management committee shall not exceed 14. And that the elected members of the management committee shall serve until the next AGM.

*Carried by two thirds show of hands*

Message from Guy Quartermain who send his apologies - Dear AGM, Apologies for my absence tonight, as you all know the industry is humming and I am no exception, held up on a late booked shoot. This year I will take a year out from the committee, making room for others to contribute. I have immensely enjoyed the last 7-8 years ( my memory fails me!), and I am very proud of what we

have achieved. The NZCS Awards have been a stunning success, driven by many hands, and I am very proud of the upmarket tone, which I shamelessly credit myself with creating. Thanks to Peter Parnham, this vision was made material and a financial success which has enabled the NZCS to progress. Thanks also to Richard Bluck, whose personal drive and understanding took the NZCS to a new level during my tenure. I learned a lot from Richard, not how to shoot, (which of course he is a maestro at) but how to pick your battles and work on a team. Being on a committee is a traditional NZ sport, as rough and rewarding as any game of Rugby! Murray - I will miss you too - You are a Machine and a good Scottish hand on the Treasury tiller. The NZCS is in capable hands with the wonderful Amber Wakefield - keep her if you can!!! Simon and quorum, best for the next year - I look forward to seeing you all at events and workshops. The core NZCS ethos of enhancing the art and craft of cinematography in NZ is an important and worthy goal, and I encourage anyone who feels they would like to learn and contribute to stand for the committee tonight. I look forward to seeing you all at future events and workshops.

#### 7.2. Call for committee nominations from the floor

- Michael Paletta expressed interest

#### 7.3. Elect Committee

- Michael Paletta nominated by Ainsley Calderwood and seconded by Donny Duncan NZCS
- Donny Duncan NZCS nominated by Leon Narby NZCS and seconded by Michael Paletta
- Tory Evans nominated by Aaron Morton NZCS and seconded by Nina Wells
- Drew Sturge nominated by Murray Milne NZCS and seconded by Simon Tutty
- Bevan Crothers nominated by Simon Raby NZCS and seconded by Nina Wells
- Ainsley Calderwood nominated by David Paul NZCS and seconded by Drew Sturge
- Dave Garbett nominated by Leon Narby NZCS and seconded by Nina Wells
- Ian McCarrol nominated by Simon Raby NZCS and seconded by Drew Sturge
- Mark Lapwood ACS nominated by David Paul NZCS and seconded by Bevan Crothers
- David Paul NZCS nominated by Aaron Morton NZCS and seconded by Simon Tutty
- Marc Swadel nominated by Murray Milne NZCS and seconded by Simon Raby NZCS

*The President called for a show of hands - on each individual - all of which received well over a two-thirds vote from the room.*

### 8. Auditor

- 8.1. Motion: That no auditor be appointed for the current financial year. The Rules requires that this note be put before the AGM. We have not appointed auditors in past years, and external chartered accountants have prepared the accounts and tax returns.

*Moved: David Paul NZCS, Seconded: Aaron Morton NZCS*

### 9. Life Memberships

- 9.1 Motion: That Richard Bluck NZCS and Murray Milne NZCS are acknowledged by the society for their longstanding membership and contribution to the Society, and are awarded Life Membership.

*Moved: Nina Wells, Seconded: Ainsley Calderwood*

*A round of applause was showed in gratitude to Richard and Murray for their long standing efforts on the committee.*

### 10. General business.

The meeting engaged in a wide-ranging informal discussion including discussion on:

- Recognition for the society to become less Auckland centric
- Positive reinforcement moving towards Masterclasses and Workshops. Encouragement for the committee to consider subsidising the courses and also to consider a live HD link to get the big international names without the significant expense of flights.
- In reference to the low participation numbers of our recent Masterclass survey, more encouragement to our members so that we hear their collective voice

- Encouragement to move forward with events: (1) towards establishing relationships between newbies and more senior cinematographers, (2) Up and coming DPs receiving feedback from established DPs on their work.

No decisions were taken but members were reminded of the importance of providing feedback to committee members about the direction of NZCS and issues such as the ones discussed.

**Meeting closed 8:37 PM**