



MINUTES OF 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PRIVACY FOUNDATION NEW ZEALAND

Held	Via Zoom
Date	Monday 31 August 2020 at 10.00am
Attendees	Gehan Gunasekara (Chair), Marie Shroff, Barbara Robson, Alida van Klink, Nalin Wijetilleke, Kent Newman, Sebastian Wilberforce, Pat Cunniffe, Kathryn Dalziel, Andelka Phillips, Caitlin Hawkins, Rebecca Lee, Reuel Baptista
Apologies	Blair Stewart, Katrine Evans

1. Welcome from Chair
2. Moved that meeting receive minutes from 2019 annual general meeting (Gehan/Barbara)
 - Carried
3. Treasurer's report: Alida
 - Refer to statement of financial performance: stable performance
 - Drop in membership fees reflects lifetime memberships taken up when started
 - Expenses lower this year: biggest expenses are website costs
 - Surplus \$1,000
 - Refer to statement of financial position: solid cash balance and spread sheet
 - Note property is website which is depreciating each year
 - Think about use of finance

Discussion

- Barbara: excellent financial report and well set out
 - Marie: asked about monies held and issue for negative interest. Worth thinking about investing half of funds and managed funds may be better than bank
 - Alida: currently monies on call in a non-interest bearing a/c – can look into it. Do have solid funds: look at term deposit for some funds for a period but also leave open cashflow.
 - Gehan: refer to committee: good to look to growing the asset through more life members and corporate sponsorship for substantial research projects
 - Moved that meeting approve Treasure's Report (Marie/Marcin) - carried
4. Chair's report:
 - Refer to written report

- Note timeframe of report and impact of COVID-19: it has been very busy in privacy over this time
- Working groups report: encouraging responses to activities including Government agencies
- Noted submissions and other commentary/work
- Twitter was gathering interest including from overseas
- Commitment to Treaty and high level statement on website: <https://www.privacyfoundation.nz/treaty-of-waitangi/>
- Gift for Caleb (coming): to formally acknowledge his contribution and assistance with website

Discussion

- Marie: thanks to Gehan for work during lockdown: our point of view was being heard and paying dividends
- Gehan: challenging 6 months due to Covid
- Kathryn: thanks for leadership: also work on new privacy bill/act and relevance of privacy generally
- Barbara: Maori and data sovereignty: asked about a Maori Working Group which was discussed at the last AGM.
- Gehan: see high level statement. From there question is whether we set up dedicated working group on Maori and Treaty issues or integrate into existing groups. A member last year expressed an interest in a working group: will discuss this further with him.
- Marie: important to mainstream this thinking into our work: and perhaps member could act informally as a consultant.
- Gehan: huge potential for PFNZ going forward to find practical ways to implement our high-level statement.
- Moved that meeting approve Chair's Report (Barbara/Nalin) - carried

5. Election of committee:

- Moved (with acclamation) that the committee for 2020/2021 be elected as follows by email (Jingyi Xiong/Alan Toy) and at the meeting: Pat/Nalin - carried:
Gehan Gunasekara (Chair)
Alida van Klink (Treasurer)
Kathryn Dalziel (Co-Secretary)
Kent Newman (Co-Secretary)
Marie Shroff, Blair Stewart, Barbara Robson, Marcin Betkier, Andelka Phillips
- Acknowledgement and thanks to departing committee member Katrine Evans

6. General business and member questions

- a. Election of Patron. Dame Sylvia Cartwright has accepted the offer for her to continue as Patron for another year. Moved that Dame Sylvia Cartwright be so appointed with acclamation (Gehan/Marie) – carried
- b. Pat: Electricity Authority reviewing guidelines for medically dependent and vulnerable consumers – medically dependent means condition is reported to Authority on theory Authority will look after a medical dependent person during a power cut. Pat has been in meetings discussing the privacy issues and asking how they are looking after information etc. Next meeting is 9 September to progress guidelines further. Reporting to Health working Group.
 - Gehan: committee can agree in due course for authority for Pat to speak with authority of PFNZ and help with any submissions:
 - Pat: power retailers uncomfortable about holding info and looking for guidance. Pat continues to point out their legal obligations. Note risk of privacy breach: eg releasing info about care arrangements which reveal likelihood of drugs(morphine) on premises consistent with power use
 - Andelka: has worked on smart metres and can help with working group on this topic
 - Pat draft guidelines in December: PFNZ can commit at this time.
- c. Nalin: raised creation of awareness of what Foundation is doing. Business community is not generally aware. NZIOD is a good place to start. Build awareness campaign.
 - Kathryn: excellent idea. Secretaries can identify groups eg NZIOD, Chambers of Commerce, Associations etc to approach and send newsletters
 - Nalin: also inviting into any conferences/seminars. This will build membership as well: avoid stagnancy
- d. Barbara: small signal: note that there is going to be an upgrade to Covid tracer app: another update to PIA to be looked at
- e. Kathryn: also police facial recognition and tapping into DIA and Drivers licence data base.
 - Marie: believes this data matching/access has not yet happened but hoping to tap into it. Will require an AISA
 - Kent: understands police considering this and through an AISA process
- f. Marie: AISA: ensure we are there and commenting on AISAs: powerful tools and we should respond.
 - Kathryn: how do we ensure they are coming through to us?

- Marie: Chief Privacy Officer. Pausing there Marie also noted that Jon Duffy (assistance PC) is now Consumer NZ CEO. Potentially a helpful link re electricity usage privacy and, as a privacy advocate, ally for PFNZ
 - Barbara: in her last piece of work on an OIA request found the most recent AISA was in May of this year. Raises issue of consultation process
 - Kathryn: and raise with OPC our availability to comment on AISAs?
 - Gehan: also DIA?
 - Kent: note operating procedures under AISA and checking on reporting.
- g. Gehan: Official Information Act requests. Most recent has been acknowledged and responses can be put up on website
- h. Reuel: PFNZ has sought from political parties their opinions on privacy in July and with extension of election to October, thinks PFNZ should follow up and get responses.
- Gehan: only responses are from NZ First and National. Forward those to Kathryn and to get those up on website.
 - Marie: agree re sending out reminder to parties, looking for reply and point out others have replied
- i. Sebastian: Maori perspective on privacy: should Privacy Foundation have a Maori name.
- Gehan: PFNZ working on that as a response to our recent commitment to Te Tiriti. Will continue this work.
7. Meeting closure:
- Gehan: thanks to everyone for support, time, comments, and suggestions.
 - meeting closed 11.03 am