

**EMDRNZ Association Board Meeting  
8 December 2022, 18h15 to 19h49**

**In attendance:**

Astrid Katur  
Diane Clare  
Ian Wood  
Janine van Blerk  
Kay McKenzie  
Nici Scott-Savage  
Patrice Bourke  
Sunica Shreiner  
Tal Moore  
Uta Waterhouse

**Apologies:** Nil

Tom Flewett joined the meeting at 19h20 in order to answer questions about the proposed University of Otago training

**Chair:** Astrid Katur

**Minutes:** Janine van Blerk

1. Apologies - nil

2. Introduction to new and old Board members and roles

Summary of the anonymous online voting -

208 full members received the online voting email; 55 full members left their vote.

Voting for EMDR NZ Board members -

Sunica Schreiner - 44 votes

Uta Waterhouse - 43 votes

Tal Moore - 47 votes

Voting for EMDR NZ Chair of the Board -

Astrid Katur - 47 votes

There were no comments or questions sent in.

3. Minutes from the previous meeting(s) – 13 October 2022

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted; proposed by Ian, seconded by Nici.

4. Finances

Bank balance is: \$93,650.79

Financial codings and GST Returns are up to date

2022 Financial Statement and AGM Minutes have been filed with the incorporated Societies  
Incoming funds have been membership, conference and training related

Outgoing funds have been for administration services, a GST payment and a refund of a member's overpayment

Also, outgoing funds have been for the Conference and Workshops, with just over NZ\$15,024.01 of costs being paid, as well as US\$1500 for some of the Conference presents being paid

Approval for Kay to be reimbursed for the US\$1500 was requested once the NZ\$ amount shows on my credit card; proposed by Patrice, seconded by Diane

Nil return submitted to IRD

#### 5. Accreditation applications

Dr Vicky Smith (practitioner) – proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Dr Celia Falchi (practitioner) - proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Ms Vicky Leana-Scott (practitioner) - proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Ms Heather Perry (practitioner) - proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Ms Estelle MacDonald (practitioner) - proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Ms Eugenia Rodriguez (practitioner) - proposed by Astrid; seconded by Nici

Ms Amber Davies (consultant) - proposed by Nici; seconded by Patrice

Dr Tal Moore (trainer) - proposed by Diane; seconded by Sunica

Dr MaryAnn Stevens (trainer) - proposed by Patrice; seconded by Kay (once confirmation received from EMDR Institute)

University of Otago/Dr Tom Flewett (training) –

Accreditation must be given to institution (University of Otago) and the trainer (any EMDR NZ accredited trainer). Tom confirmed that by verbal agreement, the current head of department is committed to maintaining high standards for both the course and the trainers offering the training. A memorandum of understanding may be a helpful solution to this. Tom confirmed that students must complete 40 hours of clinical practice following both Semester 1 and Semester 2 before qualification. This is a higher standard than that proposed by the EMDR Institute which recommends 30 to 35 hours of clinical practice following both Weekend 1 and Weekend 2.

Accreditation of the course proposed by Ian, seconded by Patrice.

Astrid to e-mail Tom to request a memorandum of understanding.

6. Conference 2023 – Ian reported that Auckland-based venues tend to charge exorbitant fees for room hire and technology support, far exceeding those of Te Papa. It has been decided to host the conference at Te Papa in 2023, with a view to hosting it elsewhere in the country in 2024.

Dates for Conference 2023 –

Refresher Day 23 November, 2023

Conference Day 24 November, 2023

2-day Workshop 25-26 November, 2023 with Dr Ad de Jongh

7. EMDRAA – Astrid reported that they have elected a new Board, which has reviewed accreditation criteria of all trainings and has asked all trainers to re-apply for accreditation. EMDRAA’s accreditation criteria appear to be equivalent to those of EMDR NZ and this may allow for reciprocity of training with NZ

8. Bi-cultural inclusion – Astrid spoke with Clive Banks about helping clinicians to become involved with the Board. Clive agreed to discuss with Māori clinicians in his sphere to raise their interest in EMDR and encourage them to attend training.

9. Date of following board meeting – 9 February, 2023 at 18h15

The following items could not be covered in the meeting and have been deferred to the following Board meeting –

1. Reply to Mr Graham Taylor (training) -

2. Membership criteria

IHP and EMDR e-mail

ACC and EMDR e-mail

Reciprocity for NZ clinicians with EMDRAA AP Nicola Woodin

Website update – EMDR training will continue as per normal with current trainers, despite

University of Otago course

3. Administration

Lelde’s request for job review in 3 months and pay increase

Indra’s request to work for Board and trainers

4. Conference

5. Matters arising from AGM

Inviting Māori members to join the Board or at least assist/support the Board (update from conference days)

Increasing Board membership

Preparation for next AGM

Additional sub-committee – accreditation review (update from EMDRAA)

Website update

Update of Society rules