Minutes for Council

Held on Tuesday 01 April 2025 at 7:30 pm via Zoom.

11/01 Roll Call

Chairman: ZL2DRV Daniel Vandenberg

Council Present: ZL2AJ Warren Harris, ZL1HOG Terry James, ZL2TLL Don Wallace

ZL3TAO Ian MacPherson, ZL4DK Dave Mulder,

Minute Secretary: Sara-Jayne Morrow

Also Present: ZL2DL Debby Morgan, ZL2TYR Don Roberston, Cam Woods

ZL1DKS

Apologies ZL2RO Phil Garside

11/02 Confirmation of Minutes March Meeting 2025

Moved: ZL3TAO Seconded: ZL2AJ Approved

11/03 Additional Agenda Items

11/04 Examinations – ZL2DL/ZL2AJ

Exam database update timeline

- 1. Propose the exam question database be updated to address questions that are no longer appropriate for the GAOC.
- 2. That update be presented to the general meeting in 2025

To achieve #2 I propose the following timeline

By end of Feb – Questions requiring update are identified. List to be generated – council to contribute (and others as nominated).

By end of March – replacement questions are drafted (Warren to action)

By end of April – replacement questions are proofed by

- Other ARXs
- Any other interested party (volunteers to be sought can include council volunteers)

By end of May question bank is approved by RSM

Question bank is then presented to AGM. Upon acceptance this will be propagated to the exam software and exam supervisors will be notified of the update.

The study guide may (almost certainly will) need to be updated to reflect the question bank but I am happy for this to happen after the AGM.

Due to the quick turn around there won't be any give in this timeframe or we risk missing the boat which would be an embarrassment. I will include Br50 in this process, but it will be led by myself.

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ZL2AJ has sent changes to the question bank to council for feedback. Council needs to provide feedback on the question bank before 30th April. The questions bank will also be shared with other ARX's and interested parties for feedback.

ZL2AJ would like to present the question bank and other changes to the Exam procedure to the AGM.

11/5 Action points

August 2023

ZL2TLL to work with RSM to get a decision about the 70MHz band and report back to Council.
 Ongoing
 John Yaldwyn ZL4JY will provide a submission that could be taken to RSM by the end of April.

June 2024 F/F

1) **ZL2AJ** to report back to Council about a decision about the Draft DFA document (detailed limits of expenditure) prepared by ZL2DL. **Complete**

July 2024

ZL2TLL, as ALO, to present proposal changing the 50 contacts requirement to RSM for changes to the GURL.
 On Hold until September-October 2025
 Due to RSM's response during discussions on this matter, this action is on hold until September-October 2025

December 2024

- 1) **ZL2TLL** to facilitate a strategic plan for NZART and submit to Council after March 2025. **On Hold**
- 2) ZL2TLL to draft a letter that will be sent to branches in which branch executive committee members are not current financial members of NZART. On hold till after AGM

February 2025

1) **ZL2DL** to recirculate the Exam Procedures to ARX's & Examination Supervisors. **Ongoing**

March 2025

1) **ZL2TLL** to provide a draft of NZART's submission regarding RSM's intention to increase fees. To be prepared before 15th April submission date. **Complete**Council need to provide feedback before the 10th of April so that it is ready to submit by the deadline. Council have given permission for ZL1DKS to review the submission and provide feedback.

11/06 Monthly Financials March 2025

- a) Payments
- b) Credit Card Transactions
- c) Actuals versus Forecast

Moved: ZL1HOG Seconded: ZL2TLL Approved

11/07 New Members March 2025

Moved: ZL2AJ Seconded: ZL4DK Approved

11/08 Monthly reports March 2025

- (a) Working party progress on LLC
- (b) QSL Report
- (c) AREC March Report

Moved: ZL2AJ Seconded: ZL3TAO Approved

11/09 100 Year Anniversary & Conference – Update

(a) Conference

ZL2DRV has been in contact with the Auckland clubs and has requested that ZL1HOG be put on the committee as the local councilor.

An excerpt of the history book will be provided at the 2025 conference.

(b) Anniversary year

11/10 Conference 2025

Council was advised by ZL2DL of the low number of registrations to conference. It was noted that the majority of registrations can come in during the final weeks.

11/11 HQ Costs

Sara presented a cost analysis of utilities at HQ which NZART currently provides to AREC. The original agreement for the provision of services and utilities was written three years ago. Due to rising costs, that currently NZART are covering, there is a need to update the original agreement and negotiate these terms with the AREC CEO.

A/P ZL2AJ to advise AREC that there will be an adjustment in the amount paid towards utilities and a new service agreement encompassing it.

11/12 AREC at HAM Crams

ZL2AJ reported: He had a Zoom meeting with ZL2TYR, regarding AREC's involvement with Ham Crams and the need to define who would pay for the processing of these candidates' callsigns.

This has now been clarified, and Council are happy with the process.

Completed

11/13 Website Members Area

There will be a soft launch of the members' area before 21st April, which will be open to councillors' and NZART Officers who will provide feedback before it is opened up to all subscribed members.

Feedback to be received by end of April/early May

Ongoing

11/14 Exam Supervisor Application

Nicholas Edwin Batt ZL2NEB (NZART member) – Marlborough Branch 22 – Minutes included

Moved: ZL2DRV Seconded: ZL1HOG Approved

11/15 Nomination for Young Amateur of the Year Award

Deferred till May meeting

11/16 Nomination for Jumbo Godfrey Award

Deferred till May meeting

11/17 WIA Conference

Emailed 24/03

Council has approved ZL2TLL to attend the WIA conference as a NZART delegate.

Motion: that a budget of \$1200 be approved for the designated delegate's attendance

Moved: ZL2AJ Seconded: ZL4DK Approved

11/18 Issue of ZL6ANZAC

Wellington Branch 50 requests for use of special event call sign to commemorate ANZAC Day.

Moved: ZL2TLL Seconded: ZL2AJ Approved

This will be a temporary call sign, however, the minimum period for temporary call signs is three months, I have advised the branch accordingly.

11/20 Leave of absence

Topsy

11/21 Information Papers - Nil

11/22 General Business - Nil

Due to the IARU 100 year anniversary, special callsigns are being set up around the world in celebration of it. NZART are also interested in setting up a special callsign (ZL100IARU) but require a trustee for it.

A request for a callsign trustee will be advertised in Infoline.

A/P ZL2TLL to contact ZL1PSH or ZL3PAH for input about the special event callsign in celebration of the IARU 100 year anniversary.

Council approves ZL1DKS to be added to the Council email reflector.

Meeting Closed at 9:05pm