

Minutes MLTAQ 2024 AGM

01 February 2024

Attendees: Leigh Kirwan Griffith Uni, Jackie Mikami St Andrew's Lutheran College, Candice Sparks St Hilda's, Simone Sebban St Hilda's, Jack Augustine Pre-service teacher, Cathryn Very Benowa SHS, Loretta Kishihara UCSC, Masako Ware Ashmore SS, Mariko Saito Griffith Uni, Cathy Galligan Benowa SS, Susie Fenton Murasaki Sensei's Classroom, Rosa Chen Kimberley College, Anna Belousova GC RL School, Aileen Seidman Marymount College, Jing Chi Southport SHS, Joanne Cheng QAHS.

Apologies: Jodie Ishizaka Robina SHS, Danielle Swainson Somerset College, Mary Spinella All Saints, Gio Picarello Southport SHS.

General: Afternoon tea served; AGM began. Introductions around the table. 17 teachers in attendance. Three new members – Candice, Masako, Jack in attendance.

Business: Vale German Teacher and MLTAQ Life Member Gisela Bergmann, we remember her years of tireless work for the MLTAQ. Leigh and Simone will attend the funeral.

NZALT Biennial conference with FIPLV is on this July 2024 in Auckland, New Zealand. Early bird opens until March 2024. Check the website for more information.

Webmaster: up to date.

Treasurer: Bank account is linked and supported by the State Branch so more finance is handled by the state office. Current balance is \$6962.32.

AGM – voting as follows:

Nominations for President: Jackie Mikami nominates Leigh Kirwan, Simone Sebban seconded.

Vice President (including PR): Leigh nominates Cathryn Very Seconded by Peter Nyberg.

Secretary: Jackie nominates Anna Belousova, seconded by Leigh Kirwan.

Treasurer: Cathryn Very nominates Peter Nyberg, seconded by Loretta Kishihara

Webmaster: Gio Picarello nominated by Leigh Kirwan, seconded by Peter Nyberg

Speech Contest Convenor: Aileen Seidman nominated by Simone Sebban, seconded by Leigh Kirwan.

PD Officer: Catherine Gallighan nominated by Leigh Kirwan, Susie Fenton seconds.

Print and Digital Contest Convenor: Simone Sebban nominated by Jackie Mikami and seconded by Peter Nyberg.

2024 Meeting Dates

Thursdays

07 March

02 May

06 June

11 July

01 August

18 August – Speech Contest at Griffith Gold Coast

05 September

03 October

07 November

Christmas Party 15 November - location to be decided

Language Teachers Forum has new format of sharing across each branch using Zoom.

PD starts from March 2024. Schedule to be advised.

7th March Cathryn Very using AI and Canva as a tool to reduce teacher workload.

2nd May Gio Picarello PD

(Aileen Seidman suggested Conti)

06 June Catherine Gallighan

11 July NZALT conference review by branch attendees

01 August – No PD as Speech contest preparation

18 August – Speech Contest

05 September – Speech Contest Celebration

03 October – call for PD email Catherine

07 November – Call for PD email Catherine

Next Meeting March 07.



Dinner this month was at Gnocchi brothers, Southport.