



**Tauranga
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Tauranga Māori Business Association Incorporated

AGM Agenda & Minutes – March 2023

Purpose	Annual General Meeting		
Chair	Leone Farquhar	Date	16/03/2023
Note Taker	Jamie Lakisa	Time	5.30pm
Karakia Whakapuare	Lloyd Rakaupai	Meeting Room	Harris Tate Lawyers - 29 Brown Street, Tauranga

Attendees:	Leone Farquhar, Lloyd Rakaupai, Jamie Lakisa, Isaac Mutu, Caryn Rawlinson, Derrin Richards, Matt Cowley, Melanie Sio, Marie Roberts, Awhina Ngatuere, Mere Kawha
Apologies:	Jacqui Rolleston-Steed, Shaun Eckhoff, Bridgette Tapsell, Ranui Samuels, Tia Sweet, Joel Ngatuere, Wiremu Matthews
Absent:	None

#	Items	Lead	Start Time
1.	Mihimihi	Leone F	5:30 pm
2.	Apologies	Lloyd	5:35pm
3.	Housekeeping	Leone	5:35pm
4.	Board Introductions (New)	Jamie, Lloyd, Leone	5.45pm
5.	Chair Report	Leone	6.00pm
6.	The Future	Leone	6.30pm
7.	Board Acknowledgements	Lloyd	6.40pm
8.	Karakia Whakakapi Hui – Meeting Closed	Lloyd	7.00pm



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Meeting Open	5:30 pm
Closing Karakia	Lloyd Rakaupai

Opening

Leone Farquhar

Karakia Whakapuare Hui/karakia mo te kai – Lloyd Rakaupai

Housekeeping - Leone

Apologies

Jacqui Rolleston-Steed, Shaun Eckhoff, Bridgette Tapsell, Ranui Samuels, Tia Sweet, Joel Ngatuere, Wiremu Matthews

Legacy Board Introductions

Leone Farquhar (Chair), Lloyd Rakaupai (Deputy Chair) & Jamie Lakisa. Apologies: Jacqui Rolleston-Steed

Previous Minutes

Provided time to read 2021 AGM documented minutes. Previous minutes accepted.

Moved: Awhina Ngatuere. **Seconded:** Mere Kawha

Chair Report / The Future – Leone Farquhar (See below Chairperson's Report)

(Available via internal google drive)

2022 was a big year for TMBA. Began the year with Board Strategic Planning session to determine priorities and events for the upcoming year. Mahi completed to date included:

- TMBA membership and directory analysed to determine the types of events that would be beneficial to membership throughout the year.
- Toi Kai Rawa added analysis as to the types of events that would be useful.
- Incoming new members were all met kanohi ki te kanohi.



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- Big push for social procurement undertaken in collaboration with Pacific Growth, Amotai, Toi Kai Rawa. Whanake was established as a collective and meet regularly to collaborate between Māori & pacific connectors within Te Moana a Toi.
- MoU with the Tauranga Business Chamber progressed engagement to discuss issues and opportunities for Pakihi Māori in Tauranga. Key objectives of discussions is to be at the table and secure more opportunities for our Pakihi.
- Two new awards were introduced into the Tauranga Business Awards held in December 2022. These being an 'Excellence in Māori Business', and 'Excellence in Pasifika'.
 - The Māori Business Excellence award was sponsored by TPK. The Winner, who is a member of TMBA, was **WharePR**.
 - The Pasifika Excellence Award was sponsored by MPP. The winner was, **A1 Wrap**.
 - One of our Board member's (Jacqui Rolleston-Steed) was invited to sit alongside the judging panel.
- Funding via Tauranga City Council has been received to support TMBA with a part time FTE.

TMBA Direction – Leone Farquhar

Strategy document enlisted for the 2020 - 2025 plan. The vision (Moemoea) is for a thriving Māori business system, that creates more business.

Questions Asked:

- Intergenerational sustainability
- What is TMBA?

Through collaboration, partnerships, sponsorships, making sure Pakihi Māori are aware of the opportunities as well as creating them. Always searching for these.

Enlisting an FTE to increase our capacity as a board.

Partnerships with Toi Kai Rawa as they are a key connector for Māori.

Board Acknowledgements – Lloyd Rakaupai

Acknowledgement of 3 local iwi; Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi te Rangī, Ngāti Pūkenga. Also acknowledge Buddy Mikaere our local Kaumātua and honorary Board member who has supported TMBA since it's infancy.

Awhina Ngatuere and the Toi Kai Rawa team, who have also partnered with TMBA.

Matt Cowley – existing MoU between TMBA & the Tauranga Chamber of Commerce allows for greater collaboration. Continued support allows partnership with event e-communications.



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Key Partner's and collaborators this year – Tauranga City Council; Te Puni Kokiri; Kanoa; Ara Rau; Pacific Business Growth; Amotai & our Pakihi.

Financial Report – Lloyd Rakaupai

2022 - 2023 report has not yet been completed by Clearadmin (Tracey Stoneham) until after 31st March 2023. Once complete, this will be made available via TMBA Website.

Overview of the report and current financials was provided for those in attendance to review.

Funding this past year was received by: Te Puni Kokiri; Tauranga City Council; Digital Boost.

Mematanga – current and outstanding financial membership report included with financial report.

Financials Accepted.

Moved by: Mere Kawha; **Seconded by:** Isaac Mutu

Elections of New Board Members – Leone Farquhar

Voter information pack was provided.

There were 4 nominated individuals, but only 3 vacancies.

Board sought ratification for Jamie Lakisa as an official board member, who had been previously working alongside the board as an honorarium.

Moved by: Awhina Ngatuere; **Seconded by:** Mere Kawha

Board nominations and profiles were read out by Leone Farquhar. Those not in attendance included Tia Sweet, and Ranui Samuels.

- **Isaac Mutu:** Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Whatua - Whangarei born and raised; Tamaki educated.

First exposure to the insurance industry via Vero insurance, before moving to 2 Degrees.

Worked in corporate environment in central Auckland before moving to Tauranga as a Director with O'Connor Warren. Motivated to apply for Board role due to previous relationship Dilworth Old Boys that aims to uphold the alumni and akonga community strong. Activities includes the arrangement of university scholarships, internships, and more. Also sits on his marae board.

Would like to support the system with recent global economic issues. Strategic planning, opportunities and aspirations that are right at our feet.

- **Caryn Rawlinson:** Te Arawa, Ngāti Paoa. From Rotorua.



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Lived in Tauranga for 23 Years. Owns RMD Marine which is a whānau run Pakihi. Has experience in governance, Tauranga Moana Māori Tourism. Holds a Diploma in Tourism and Event Management. Creator of event Pakihi, Korowai Manaaki, which is a mentorship programme for wahine within Te Moana a Toi. Also ran the Tauranga Moana Seafood Festival.

Those in attendance voted in as new board members: Tia Sweet; Isaac Mutu; Caryn Rawlinson; Jamie Lakisa.

Meeting Close	7:10 pm
Closing Karakia	Lloyd Rakaupai
Next AGM	November 2023

Signed by Chairperson:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Leone Manawa Farquhar'.

Leone Manawa Farquhar

Signed by Deputy Chairperson:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Lloyd Rakaupai'.

Lloyd Rakaupai



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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Tēnā koutou katoa,

2022 was a big year for the Tauranga Māori Business Association (TMBA)! At the beginning of the year we came together as a Board to discuss our aspirations and set some goals for the year. We reviewed our strategic plan and, drawing from information obtained from some of our sister rūpū regarding areas of need in terms of mātauranga and support, made a plan around what events we considered our pakihi would benefit most from throughout the year. We also discussed key issues raised at our last AGM, in terms of social procurement and making sure we are supporting our pakihi Māori to mobilise and prepare themselves for obtaining opportunities in that space.

Over a 12-month period we have held, collaborated on and/or supported a number of events, including events focusing on sharing mātauranga to strengthen our Māori businesses. Those events include Finance and Access to Capital, Digital Marketing and Business Planning. We have also held general networking events for the purpose of whakawhanaungatanga/making connections with us, other pakihi Māori and supporting organisations. This is in addition to meeting with new members to discuss their needs and aspirations so that the Board can factor that in to what we are providing to our members.

We have also been part of organising a number of events in the social procurement space, in conjunction with other stakeholder representative groups and organisations, including Pacific Growth, Toi Kai Rawa, Te Puni Kōkiri, Amotai, MBIE and TCC. This group (Whanake) is a group that has been established so that representatives of these rūpū can collaborate on what can be done to support pakihi Māori and Pasifika, both generally and in the social procurement space, to enable them to thrive, build their capabilities and mobilise themselves to obtain opportunities.

We have also been invited to the table to discuss key issues affecting Tauranga Moana and our pakihi. In particular, the Western Bay of Plenty Transport and Infrastructure Forum, which was established as an attempt to move key transport and infrastructure projects forward, by highlighting the needs of Tauranga Moana in that space to Government Officials and promoting those needs as a key priority – not only for Tauranga Moana itself, but also for Aotearoa whānui. In taking a seat at this table, as well as representing our members, we are hoping to better place ourselves to assist our pakihi Māori in obtaining social procurement opportunities; as a focus on key projects means there are opportunities to be gained, which we want our pakihi to be well placed to take advantage of.

Another key achievement for our rūpū was the creation of Māori and Pasifika Business



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Excellence Awards categories as part of the Tauranga Business Awards operated by the Chamber of Commerce and held at Baypark in December 2022. We acknowledge our Deputy Chairperson, Lloyd Rakaupai, as a key driver of this kaupapa. Ko tēnei te mihi nui ki a koe Lloyd. We also acknowledge and congratulate (again) the recipients of the awards – Whare PR (Māori Business Excellence – sponsored by Te Puni Kōkiri) and A1 Wrap (Pacific Business Excellence – sponsor Ministry for Pacific Peoples). Ultimately our goal is to be part of creating a Māori and Pasifika Business Awards event that is just for our Māori (and Pasifika) pakihī and can be done our way and with our values in mind throughout the process. Discussions and plans have been made around this to a point, which we are hoping to progress this year, so watch this space!

TMBA's vision is to see a Māori Business eco-system that is thriving and contributing to Māori aspirations. As a Board we have done a lot of mahi this year to work towards that and we are committed to continuing with that this year. We have managed to attain necessary funding this year to help us with progressing our strategic plan and aim to secure funding for a part time FTE to further support our very busy Board and enable us to fast-track some of the aspirations we have for our pakihī Māori ki Tauranga Moana.

We want to acknowledge all of our members, or collaborators and supporters who have all contributed to TMBA's success and achievements this year. Ko tēnei te mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. I also personally want to acknowledge the other Board members who all work hard in their own mahi and for their respective whānau, yet still give their time and energy to this kaupapa. All because they (and we) are passionate about supporting our people, our pakihī and our whānau. Thank you for all that you do and the support you have provided to me as Chairperson. I am looking forward to working with you all and our new Board members this year and furthering the great mahi we have been doing. Kia rite mai tātou!



Mā to Pakihī, mā toku Pakihī ka

ora ai te iwi! Naku iti nei,

Leone Manawa Farquhar

Chairperson

