



**Minutes of the Manawatu Lesbian and Gay Rights Association meeting  
16th March 2008**

**In attendance:** Christopher C, Bruno L, Matt K, Toni, Megan, Andi L

**AOWL:** Tracy O, Vanessa R, Seth W, Deidre R

**Apologies:** Rob

**Amendments to previous minutes:** In general business under Code of Conduct, Megan did not have anything to do with bringing the example code of conducts to the meeting.

The minutes from the MaLGRA meeting 17/02/07 are accepted as a true and accurate record with amendments. Carried U.

**PART ONE**

**Mail In:**

Telecom (x 2)	Line Rental – paid by A/P
Square Edge Invoices (x 3)	Paid by A/P
Bank Statements (x 6)	MaLGRA, Club Q and CoffeeQ
Yellow Pages Group	Invoice for Yellow Pages listing
STATE Insurance	Policy renewal
IRD	GST statement
Incorporated Societies	Requesting Audited Accounts
NZ Post	P.O. Box renewal
Various Assorted Newsletters	

**Mail Out:**

Incorporated Societies	Audited Accounts sent.
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**New Memberships:**

10 General Full, 2 General Associate, 1 Silver Full, 1 Gold Full, 1 Foundation Life  
Of these 3 were declined for the following reasons: 1 had no last name (cannot process membership without full name), 1 was declined due to not including membership fee, 1 declined due to not being known or sponsored by a current member.

**Executive Round:**

Closet Space

0 showed up to first meeting. Toni and Rob held a planning session for fundraising. Would like to book dates at club but Club Q calendar still has not been made yet.

Asked if MaLGRA has links with any printers in town as Rob is currently using his home printer. It was suggested that MaLGRA could open an account through a preferred supplier that all groups could use as needed. Toni will draft funding application for this.

Nathan Brown from the Aids Foundation Out There! Project can help with funding for Closet Space and also expressed an interest in holding the annual Out There! conference in Palmy.

Manawatu Lesbian Support Group



Movie night went well with 8 people there. Entire lesbian population of Marton attended! Megan is finding her feet in the role of coordinator.

Mini golf this week at Leisureplex on Railway Road from 6:45.

April 2<sup>nd</sup> will be a pot-luck dinner with guest speaker from free-will community. Robin Pewhairangi was second choice, and she may be used for the next conference.

Lesbians with property are Capitalists

#### CoffeeQ

IQ night was a big success with plenty of Games and Music. Went over budget with prizes but still made \$200.

7-8 people turning up to regular meeting. They have been watching movies, knitting, etc. Possibly planning a trip to see "Rent" at the Abby Theatre.

#### UniQ

Danny R has held meeting with MUSA president Yingyue on 13/03/08 to discuss the MoU between MUSA and UniQ. The following points were raised.

- Funding – this will remain at \$300 for Conference Travel costs and \$300 for pride week. Can apply for other funding from MUSA Executive pool on a case by case basis for individual events, will review funding next year if budget is insufficient.
- UniQ to form formal executive with President, Secretary and Treasurer roles. Constitution to be re-written with these roles in mind. MUSA would like to see more structure to UniQ, although it accepts that a degree of flexibility is necessary and possibly even desirable in a small group.
- AGM to be held with minutes and reports forwarded to MUSA Executive.
- UniQ will be supplied with sample Code of Conduct to modify as required and final is to be signed by UniQ members, and a copy held by both UniQ and MUSA.

Danny R has also tendered resignation from UniQ effective 07/04/2008, but is prepared to stay with the group until the end of Semester One to assist with required changes as outlined above.

#### Club Q

No rep present or report forwarded.

#### **General Business:**

##### Memorandum of Understandings

Matt K reported that Kim from MidCentral will be available to help write MoU's for the MaLGRA support groups. Groups are to confirm their attendance at the next committee meeting.

##### Fundraising Nights at Club Q

Matt is Keen to help with fundraising nights at the club provided money raised is forwarded on to support groups at the MaLGRA. Suggested the support group reps work on the bar during fundraiser to help raise their profiles as the face of the groups.

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Matt K will forward on website links of interest to add to the MaLGRA website from his fantastic work sources. Thank you Matt K!

Andrew D and Bruno L (mostly Andrew right now) are working on re-writing the existing website and among the improvements hope to have a system in place to make it easier for groups to update their information themselves.

#### Newsletter

The first issue is mostly complete, will be sent to Bruno L for proof-reading and being prepared for printing/emailing. Newsletter still needs a name – suggestions welcome. Person to come up with the winning name to be given a free Club Q 30<sup>th</sup> t-shirt.

#### Light in Men's Toilet

Andy L asked if this could be fixed – Chris C mentioned that this has been forwarded to Square Edge for repair.

#### **PART TWO**

Part two of the committee minutes deal with confidential information and, as such, is not available for viewing in the publicly released minutes.

**Next Meeting: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2008 – 6:30pm**

- ENDS – 7.45pm