

8. Revised constitution, duty statements and rotation system
John B suggested that the ALANZ executive term be changed from 3 years to 4 years to cover the possibility of holding a joint ALANZ/ALAA conference. Gary suggested a term of 2 years with a possibility of 2 year renewal period given that it is not definite that a combined ALANZ/ALAA conference will go ahead. Antonie seconded this. Carried by vote.
9. Election of office bearers
John called for nominations for the role of president.
Gillian Skyrme nominated John Macalister. Janet von Randow nominated Gillian Skyrme.
John B asked whether either would be prepared to take on the role. John Macalister indicated that he would be happy. Gillian nominated John M as president. Janet seconded this. Carried by vote.
Gillian indicated that she would be prepared to take on the role of secretary. John Macalister nominated Gillian. Margaret seconded this. Carried by vote.
John Macalister nominated Elaine Vine as treasurer with her permission. Margaret Franken seconded this. Carried by vote.
10. Other business
Margaret raised the issue of broadening the scope of ALANZ. She suggested liaising with Education, NZALT. John said that we should encourage people attending the conference to attend the symposium. Adele Scott – current president of NZALT – and Martin East – current editor for Language Teacher – are keen to develop strategic partnership with other organizations. Have proposed a joint meeting with the ALANZ executive. Would like to encourage a mentor relationship in the aim of encouraging research in classrooms. Margaret suggested we need to make stronger relationships with teachers of Te Reo Maori. She would like to foster this.

Heather Denny asked if the journal is going on the RMIT website. John mentioned that it is already there. Rosemary Wette asked if back issues are available – they are not.

John Macalister moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing executive.

John B declared the meeting closed at 5:10 pm.