

## **Report to Board of Trustees meeting – Te Runanga-a-iwi-o- Ngapuhi**

**From:** Carol Dodd – Acting Chair

**Date:** 25 January 2016

**Subject:** Te Runanga-a-iwi-o-Ngapuhi Board Report

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### ***Nga mihi o te tau hou ki a koutou katoa***

As we begin our mahi for the incoming year I sincerely hope everyone had a joyous and festive time with whanau over the Christmas - New Years break with plenty of rest and relaxation, and have come back refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead of us.

Ahead of us we enter the busiest time of our calendar, beginning with the Ngapuhi Festival, capably organised and managed by the CEO and his operations team, then Waitangi, Iwi Leaders meeting over this period, Asset Holding Company meeting in caucus for the first time, all between now and end of February.

### **Ngapuhi Festival**

- The organising committee have planned and organised well, under the direction of the CEO
- Excellent communication, promotion coverage, billboards, flyers and signage installed, comments from UB40 who were photographed wearing Ngapuhi t.shirts and have stated they would like to play the Ngapuhi Festival gig one day was a big hit
- To date over 70 stalls are booked, a mix of food, Education, products and merchandise, information and health
- On main stage acts including Kapa haka, opera, top artists and bands over two days and there will be a mass ngapuhi haka
- Taitamariki area will have a stage, activities, rides etc
- Up to 30 security staff, not including Maori wardens, who will have a significant presence. Capably managed by Kia Tupato.
- Expectation of over 200 art pieces for the art exhibition
- 22 touch teams will be playing off for selection for the Northland Secondary schools Nationals, in the taitamarki area
- Health and safety is paramount, St. Johns and Fire service will be in attendance again,.
- Fire Service will run a mini confidence course competition, over two days, with an ipad as a prize.
- Kaumatua kuia will have a tent this year, including selling mock cocktails or smoothies, as a fundraiser

- A one day wananga with mostly Ngapuhi speakers, including Winner of the Tai Tokerau manu Korero, also on the programme a Treaty settlement forum with the topic being “Ngapuhi moving ahead together”.
- Kakahu and Registration will be in the same tent again. I'd like to hear from Board members to assist with registrations, as this is part of our core business. A roster could be developed so we can have turns throughout the two day event
- Signage for entry, exit, No parking, key places etc will be well displayed and visible
- For the first time the entire two days will be livestreamed by Tehiku Radio. This will give opportunity for whanau living away to watch the festival live
- Programme over the two days is now online and available
- All Board members will be given VIP passes for easy entry and exit
- Currently there are 22 confirmed sponsors and others yet to be confirmed. These are the businesss and groups that assist TRAION to hold the festival annually and will be treated as VIP's.
- There is an up and coming Sponsors meet and Greet time to be confirmed. Its absolutely essential that as many Trustees can make this in order to show our appreciation on behalf of Ngapuhi katoa.

#### **Te Kawai Taumata**

- Following a tcompetitive and transparent process TOKM Directors were appointed by TKT
- While our Ngapuhi candidate did not make the final selection, he beat off some very experienced candidates
- Ngapuhi and indeed Ngapuhi nui tonu have become quite vulnerable without representation on the TOKM Board, while holding a 15% stake in TOKM
- Very important that those with influence throughout Te kahu o Taonui assert their influence on behalf of Ngapuhi nui tonu
- There will no longer be a role for Te kawai Taumata, from hereon in Iwi will appoint the Directors to TOKM

#### **Ngati Hine Withdrawal**

- We continue to progress this kaupapa
- a technical team comprising members from both TRAION and TRON will meet shortly to discuss and explore this further

#### **Ngapuhi Hui – Te Tii, Te hiruharama Hou Marae**

- Called by Ngati Rehia kuia Kaumatua for Ngapuhi katoa
- Agreed by the hui to become an annual event, in the lead up to Waitangi Day ach year
- Facilitated by Shane Jones
- Healthy and robust discussions occurred

#### **Iwi leaders Group (ILG)**

- To meet next in Waitangi at Waitaha Room 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> February
- Hosted by Ngati Wai

- Anyone is able to attend
- Both Raniera and myself will attend to represent Ngapuhi
- Our Rangatahi Representative to ILG is Anaru, he will be attending also
- Anaru will be organising and facilitating the Rangatahi Group of the Iwi Leaders group.

#### **Negotiation Process**

- Following our previous meeting the Delegated Team have met
- An initial meeting was had with the Team to develop the framework
- Once confirmed by the members a meeting was had with Raniera
- The outcomes of this will be further discussed at todays meeting

#### **Delegation Team Report Back**

- At the December Board meeting a team was appointed by the Board to meet with the Chair, prior to end of leave, to discuss Clause 9.2 of the Legal opinion from Chapman Tripp, taking into consideration comments of the Board
- The Delegation Team comprised TRAIION Acting Chair, CEO, Trustee Joyce, John Rae and Matua Wiremu Wiremu
- The Team held a preliminary meeting to develop the framework upon which the discussions/negotiations would be premised
- A meeting was then arranged to meet with the Chair
- This week agreement was reached, pending approval from the Board
- A full written report back will be given at our January 25th Board meeting

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT, Te Runanga-a-iwi-o-Ngapuhi Board of Trustees receive and note the Acting Chairs January 2016 Report**