



New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa (Board)

MINUTES | KŌRERO

Venue | Wāhi: online via Microsoft Teams

Friday | Rāmere
8 April | Paengawhāwhā 2022

Duration: 9.04am-4.41pm
Morning tea: 10.18am-10.41am
Lunch: 12-15pm-1.20pm
Afternoon tea: 3.15pm-3.30pm

NOTE | KIA MAHARA:

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General | Hei kōrero whānui

1. Karakia | Prayer Welcome | Whakatau

The Chairperson welcomed hui participants. Shane Te Ruki opened the hui with a karakia. The Board welcomed Tash Barneveld, the new Customer Relationship Manager – Outreach Lead in the Board’s Secretariat, as this is her first Board hui.

2. Present | Te hunga i tae mai Apologies | Ngā whakapāha

Board members	
Anselm Haanen, Chairperson	Surveyor-General, Toitū Te Whenua LINZ
Jenni Vernon	Minister for Land Information appointment
Chanel Clarke	Minister for Māori Development appointment
Shane Te Ruki	Minister for Māori Development appointment
Robin Kearns	New Zealand Geographical Society nomination
Paulette Tamati-Elliffe (left 10am-11am)	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (TRONT) nomination
Adam Greenland (left at 3:59pm)	National Hydrographer Toitū Te Whenua LINZ
Merata Kawharu	Minister for Land Information appointment
Shaun Barnett	Federated Mountain Clubs of NZ Inc nomination

Board member apology	
Bonita Bigham	Local Government NZ nomination

Board Secretariat	
Wendy Shaw	Secretary
Christopher Stephens	Advisor
Jill Remnant	Advisor
Ginny Leggett	Senior Advisor Treaty Names
Tash Barneveld	Customer Relationship Manager – Outreach Lead

Observers	
Wareko Te Angina (from 9:30am)	Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori (TTWh)
Emma Andrew	Policy Advisor, Toitū Te Whenua LINZ
Philip Green (10:56am-11:56am)	Te Arawhiti
Caryl Illana (10:46am-11:56am)	Te Arawhiti
Sheryll Johnson (1:30pm-1:45pm)	Department of Conservation Te Papa Atawhai

Observer apology	
Waihoroi Shortland	Te Puni Kōkiri (TPK)

Minute Taker apology	
Nicole Doriguzzi	GBL Personnel

3. **Agenda | Rārangi take** **Disclosure of conflicts of interest | He whākinga rongorua**

3.1. **Agenda | Rārangi take**

The agenda was confirmed. The Board noted that the hui is being held online via Microsoft Teams due to the COVID-19 pandemic and would be recorded to assist with the minutes. There will be regular breaks for health and safety.

In terms of voting protocols there will be robust discussions, and voting will be done by exception. Where a vote is required, the raised hand function in Teams will be used. Participants were also asked to raise their electronic hand to speak, to avoid speaking over each other.

3.2. **Disclosure of conflicts of interest | He whākinga rongorua**

Merata Kawharu advised that she has a direct interest in the alternative Māori names for Auckland fast track work. The Chairperson advised that this is not a conflict of interest.

The Chairperson requested that any new conflicts of interest that come up during the hui be declared.

4. **Previous minutes | Ngā kōrero o te hui o mua** **Matters arising | Ngā take i ara ake** **Action sheet | Ngā mahi hei whakatutuki**

4.1. **Previous minutes 20 October 2021 | Whiringa-ā-nuku 2021**

Board discussion

The Board considered the draft minutes of its previous hui 20 October 2021 (LinZone ID A4822140). The Board noted that on page 5 relating to alternative Auckland names, it should read 'Tāmaki Herenga Waka meaning the mooring of canoes'.

The Board noted the excellent minutes. As the minutes are published it is very important that they are an accurate reflection of the Board's kōrero.

Resolution

That the minutes of 20 October 2021 be ratified with one change.

Moved Robin Kearns

Seconded Jenni Vernon

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretariat to amend minutes of 20 October 2021 with the specified change.
- Secretariat to obtain the Chairperson's signature and publish an unsigned, updated version on the LINZ webpages.

4.2. Matters arising | Ngā take i ara ake

There were no matters arising that would not otherwise be covered in today's agenda.

4.3. Action sheet | Ngā mahi hei whakatutuki

Agenda Items from various hui	Action	By Whom	Comment
7. Strategies for alternative Māori names for major cities and towns Rautaki mō te ingoa Māori mō ngā taone nui me ngā taone	If Auckland is to be first, assist consulting with local groups, especially Kaipara and Tāmaki.	Merata Kawharu	Closed
	Advise the Minister the issue of 'unfunded mandate', as a term well known to iwi.	Chairperson	Completed
	Provide the Secretariat with other examples of alternative Māori names, especially those incorrectly popularised for towns and cities.	Board members	Completed
	Make contact with the Future for Local Government Panel, and act as a conduit for the Board.	Bonita Bigham	Leave open
	Meet with the Minister to communicate this proposed initiative.	Chairperson	Completed
8. Discussion paper: assigning contemporary Māori place names Pepa hei wānanga: te tohu ingoa wāhi Māori o nāianeī	Circulate paper to the Board on contemporary place naming.	Shane Te Ruki	Close. Shane has the paper but still needs to send it to the Board. He will do this today.
11.1. Kapakapanui Creek, Koangaumu Creek, Ohangao Creek, Tītahi Creek	Provide feedback on the new format of proposal reports.	Board members	Completed. The Secretary has not received any feedback.
15.2. Consultation on 15 AWI (Germany) proposals	Pursue consultation hui with Mutunga and Moriori by the end of the year if possible.	Paulette Tamati-Elliffe	Completed. Travel is booked for 9 May 2022. Both groups are keen to meet to discuss naming and the Board's role.
18. Secretary's report Pūrongo a te Hekeretari	Advise of its talking points on the naming of New Zealand as Aotearoa to the Secretariat for future responses, subject to discussion with the Chairperson.	Board members Chairperson	Completed. This was for the Secretariat to have a standardised response that covers what the Board wants to say. If anyone has any further advice, then suggestions should be sent to the Secretary.
6.2 Budget Mahere Pūtea 2020/2021 and 2021/2022	Contact Susan Freeman-Green and Stuart Crosby (LGNZ) outlining what the Board wants to achieve and request a letter of support for the budget bid.	Chairperson	Close. The budget bid did not go ahead.

Agenda Items from various hui	Action	By Whom	Comment
	Contact other agencies for their support of a budget bid.	Chairperson Secretariat	Close
7. Māori language plan Mahere Reo Māori	Prepare a video tutorial for Board members to help with pronunciation.	Shane Te Ruki	Close. Shane will complete this asap.
7. Board Agreements (Previous minutes of 27 July 2020)	Discuss with LINZ's Chief Executive adding a schedule to the LINZ/ Board Agreement of the high-level services LINZ provides to the Board.	Chairperson	Leave open. Awaiting the conclusion of LINZ's restructure in mid-2022. The approach is less formal than previously.
10.2.1 Proposed name: Kōkiri a Koinaki	Confirm the recommendation, under delegation once advice of support from Te Korowai o Wainuiārua is received.	Chairperson	Close. Move to Secretariat's action list.
	If Te Korowai o Wainuiārua do not support the proposal, then decide on the best course of action.	Chairperson	Close. Move to Secretariat's action list.

Action required

- Move the follow up actions for Kōkiri a Koinaki to the Secretariat action list.

5. Progress overview | Tirohanga kokenga

Board discussion

The Board noted that the dashboard previously provided will not be included in the future, instead the Secretary will give a verbal update. The Board noted that as it is a statutory board and not a corporate board and that most of the work falls on the Chairperson and Secretariat rather than the Board directly. The main function of the Board is to make decisions and provide feedback and direction on place names. While this doesn't exclude the Board from raising other issues, the Chairperson considered that some of the information currently reported on was unnecessary and could be removed to simplify Board hui. The Chairperson asked for comments and concerns from the Board, to which there were none.

The Secretary gave a verbal update on the high level mahi:

- The online forms for New Zealand, Antarctica and undersea feature name proposals are now live. Proposal forms for local government areas were not developed because there are few requests, and Treaty names proposals are made to Te Arawhiti in the first instance.
- Toitū Te Whenua LINZ's ongoing work to take over the Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) Localities dataset is ongoing, and a considerable amount of work is required to meet compliance requirements.
- A critical project for the 'lift and shift' of the Gazetteer's back-end database was completed in February 2022, the database and server software have been upgraded and the hardware has been transferred. This meant a lot of work with suppliers for the best part of a year. An outcome of this work means strengthened support arrangements, and so there will be increased ongoing hosting costs which will be included in the next budget.
- A project to import c.7,600 entries from Reed's *Place Names of New Zealand* is mostly complete with the entries now published in the Gazetteer. For the remaining 20,000 place names with no content, the Secretariat has been in discussion with the Ministry of Culture and Heritage. The Board will contract a third-party historian within the existing funds allocated for this financial year.

Wareko Te Angina joined the hui at 9:30am

- The planning cycle for the 2021/22 Annual Report has begun, and a first draft is required by July 2022. The Board was requested to send any comments or suggestions for content to the Secretary.

- The budget is tracking well with the forecast on general spending. The more discretionary items (ie. contract work) are difficult areas to ensure the full allocated amount is spent. The budget has swung a bit at times, particularly due to the allocation for the Board's new website which has not progressed far enough to be spent this financial year. Additional projects have been started within this financial year to take advantage of the unspent funding.

The Chairperson noted that the Secretariat is working very hard in the background and the Board thanked them for their valuable contribution.

Action required

- Board to provide comments and suggestions to the Secretary for the 2021/2022 Annual Report.

Policies | Ngā kaupapa here

6. Strategies for alternative Māori names for major cities and towns | Rautaki mō te ingoa Māori mō ngā taone me ngā taone nui

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4825529).

- A hui with the Minister for Land Information took place in November 2021, attended by the Chairperson and the Secretary. The Minister is keen to talk with his Māori caucus colleagues about the proposed alternative Māori names initiative and their support and funding. The hui with the Minister was a positive sign of support towards this initiative. The Minister advised that the Board should be cautious about pursuing a raised profile. With increased exposure comes attention, more proposals, criticism, higher expectations, risk, etc. And without the budget and people to manage this, the Board could come under pressure to perform beyond its capability and capacity. The Minister applauded the current steady approach, which has stood the Board in good stead for many years. His high regard held for the Board is in its favour and the power of its authority should not be underestimated or compromised. The Minister approved recent place name recommendations brought to him.
- Some work has been done on the alternative Māori names kaupapa with the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ's Policy team and a proposal is included. The Board noted that there are many place names in common use, but it needs to be sure that the orthography is correct. There is a risk of the wrong orthography being on signs as there is a cost to correct them. It is proposed all alternative Māori names are at least collected in the Gazetteer, so they are effectively being published with the correct orthography.
- The Board has been successful in the last few years with people recognising official names and using the Gazetteer. The proposal for alternative Māori names is to be less assertive and to research and analyse the names that are in common use to ensure they are correct, and to publish them as collected to encourage their use. There are many names in current use that may not be correct and proposing different alternative Māori names may not go down well.
- Despite some names being in common use, the Board has a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. If mana whenua say a name is not authentic or accurate, and we educate and socialise our societies, people may take this on board and support it. The Board needs to take a proactive approach while understanding the limits of funding and resources. The Board's normal process is to make place names official through due process, but it does have an opportunity to be proactive and start educating the community.
- Referring to the Outreach Strategy, the Board noted that there is a fine balance between communicating what it does and not becoming inundated in new proposals. The *Waikato Times* last month had a two-page spread on the town of Huntly potentially changing its name. It had references to the Board, and people represented in this article are Chanel Clarke's family members. As a Board member Chanel Clarke recognises it may be a conflict of interest but would like to be able to help facilitate this to ensure her community has a voice. A roadshow for the community would allow their voices to be heard. The Board noted that it supports receiving proposals from the community and will provide guidance. The Board agreed it would support Chanel Clarke to ensure she is comfortable supporting her whānau with their proposal.

- The Board noted advice from TTWh is that there are many discussions going on currently between TTWh, Te Mātāwai and Te Arawhiti, regarding a standardised view of the revitalisation of Māori through place names, and iwi support the richness of the reo and making these proposals. The Board recognised that everyone needs to walk the path together and having an iwi voice is fundamental for this.
- It will be important to work closely with Waka Kotahi to ensure road signs are correct, so the community is safe. There is reasoning for a careful approach but as the proposals come from the community there is a real opportunity to be progressive and take a leadership role in alternative Māori names through a partnership.
- The Secretariat is limited by time the Board are willing to be proactive and facilitate conversations with mana whenua. There is an opportunity to support iwi and the Board is going to see more engagement following the passing of Moana Jackson. Many people are looking to uplift and carry on some of his work including furthering Māori names for cities and towns. The Board agreed it should continue to drive this work while being aware of its limitations and the environment.
- The Board asked for clarification on the recommended approach and if the fast-track approach would drop off. The Chairperson noted that it would not and commented that Wellington is the official name and not Te Whanganui-a-Tara; however, the Board should not fast track controversial names.
- The Board is progressing well and supporting communities who come through due processes. It started a pathway many years ago and has good processes, so it shouldn't go backwards and lose what it has. Many of the Māori names for towns and cities have been in use by Māori media for 20 years. The only reason they're becoming widely known and used now is because they are being used in non-Māori media.

Paulette Tamati-Elliffe left the hui at 10am

- The Chairperson suggested that the Board has a kōrero with Ngāi Tahu and other iwi. If they want to progress proposals for naming major towns and cities, then the Board can help encourage and facilitate these conversations. The Board agreed that having a better web presence and developing partners may be a starting point for being proactive.
- Part of the Board's outreach plan could be having more direct conversations with councils so they understand what the Board does and how they are an important part of the process by working with communities. Councils are in a difficult position because they currently have other obligations, so it is important to pick timing carefully. The Board noted that it was noted that the Secretariat's Outreach Lead has local government and council engagement at the front of mind.
- The Board agreed it could proactively work with councils and hapū/iwi on a case-by-case basis to progress work on alternative Māori names for towns and cities. That would leave the mana with the Board but would enable it to progress matters from a leadership point of view and hopefully achieve alternative official place names in the next 1-2 years.
- The Board agreed that this discussion allows for a proactive approach to alternative Māori place names.

Morning tea, 10.18am to 10.41am

- The Board wondered if Treaty settlement proposals could be included in the approach; however, as populated places, towns and cities are not included in Treaty settlement proposals, this cannot be pursued.
- The Board wondered whether to wait until after local body elections have concluded.

Resolution

*The Board **agreed** to an updated approach to focus on:*

- *Collecting original Māori names that are being commonly used for cities and towns and ensure they are orthographically correct and supported by iwi and councils.*
- *Adding these names to the Gazetteer to make them discoverable, available and authoritative.*
- *Encouraging the use of these names on official maps and charts (where there is no official name) as per the Board's statutory function and more generally (for example, media).*
- *Proactively working with councils, Local Government NZ, hapū, iwi and Treaty claimants collectively, to progress proposals from them for alternative official Māori names for their cities and towns, on a case-by-case basis.*

Moved Merata Kawharu
Seconded Chanel Clarke
All in favour
Carried

The Board agreed that this has been a great kōrero with a good outcome.

Action required

- *The Secretariat to proactively reach out to councils and iwi where there are existing conversations around them making proposals for alternative Māori names for towns and cities, on a case-by-by basis.*

7. Discussion paper: gender balance in place naming | Pepa hei wānanga: ōritenga ira tangata I te taunaha wāhi

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4828993). The Board also noted the paper tabled by its FMC member, entitled 'Names of Women in the Maunga of Aotearoa'. The Board noted:

- When it is dealing with a proposal, whether it would consider unconscious biases between male and female names.
- That the term 'gender balance' is not inclusive to those who are non-binary.
- That the discussion paper and the research are around male and female names and the opportunity to recognise women who have played a role or have a connection to a place. The Board cannot necessarily do anything proactively, but it does need to be cognisant.
- That the list of female names in the alpine area has been developed. It is interesting to see the historical gender divide. Equality needs to be addressed and the Board has an opportunity through place names to do this. The Secretariat may begin to identify gender of personal names in the Gazetteer database but is unlikely to publish this information.
- That this is a pressing issue and in line with international initiatives to address gender equality.

Caryl Illana joined the hui at 10:46am
Philip Green joined the hui at 10:56am
Paulette Elliffe re-joined the hui at 11am

- The kaupapa has a distinctly colonial view and might be misconstrued as being just about English women's names. Notions of gender in te ao Māori are not the same. The sentiment of life, limb and hands and the monthly moon cycle of woman are important. It all depends on the context.
- That the primary reason for the discussion paper was to highlight that women have made extensive contributions to the nation socially, economically, environmentally, etc and this is not necessarily reflected in place naming. The Board suggested the recommendation be reworded to include an awareness for the appropriateness of naming places after women/wāhine.
- That any naming must not be arbitrary but be based on merit to tell the story and have real meaning.
- That there are a range of genders and sexualities, and different perceptions of them in different cultures. Therefore, the Board may need to think a bit further and wider about the recommendation to ensure inclusiveness. The Board considered that while the paper had been prepared with the term gender balance specifically in reference to women, the wider societal conversation had moved further ahead.
- That the discussion paper picks up on a gap which puts the Board behind. The contributions of Māori transgender should also be considered.
- That diversity and inclusion will be covered in a separate discussion paper for the Board's consideration at a future hui.

Resolution

The Board **discussed** its level of activity in and support for, pursuing gender balance in place naming, **and**

Noted that the following approach is generally recommended with some principles suggested for future consideration:

- altering place names that are derogatory, discriminatory, frivolous, offensive, or in poor taste names to be replaced with women/wāhine (unless an original Māori name exists which would have priority),
- through the standard and naming practices, ensuring Māori women/wāhine are equitably commemorated,
- pursuing gender balance in place naming as a contemporary practice by naming unnamed places and features, and not necessarily retrospectively changing existing place names unless there is good reason,
- consider themes of like groupings, such as education, science, discovery, social conscience, etc., to help overcome potential restrictions around a women/wāhine not having a direct connection to a place or feature,

and

The Board **agreed** to include a generally worded criterion to its standards for place names that recognises an awareness of wāhine/women's contribution in society and history.

Moved Robin Kearns

Seconded Jenni Vernon

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to amend the Board's naming standards to add a generally worded criteria about considering women/wāhine for place name proposals, who have contributed to society and history.

The Board noted that Caryl Illana and Philip Green from Te Arawhiti had joined the meeting and agreed to bring forward agenda item 9.

Treaty advice | He kupu āwhina mō te Tiriti [brought forward]

9. Treaty settlement name proposals | Ngā tono taunaha o ngā whakataunga o te Tiriti

In confidence item 9 | Ngā take tapu 9

10. Treaty names update | Kōrero hou mō ngā Taunahatanga Tiriti

In confidence item 10 | Ngā take tapu 10

Phil Green and Caryl Illana left the hui at 11:56am

Policies | Ngā kaupapa here [resumed]

8. Waka Kotahi bilingual signs | Tohu reorua a Waka Kotahi

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4829294). The Board noted recent liaison with Waka Kotahi and that the engagement is a positive sign that they have continued to keep the Board in the loop. Waka Kotahi is now focussing on the bilingual road signs that are completely within their jurisdiction eg school signs. The rollout of all bilingual signs will be very similar to Wales in terms of how two languages are presented on signage. While noting the strong directive from the Minister of Transport on bilingual signage, Waka Kotahi is unsure how to proceed in terms of place names. It had considered a rollout as part of general maintenance and had also considered requesting that the Board prioritise place names in new corridors such as between Ōtaki and Levin, but for now the conversation on the place names is parked. The recent hui with Waka Kotahi were in part to make clear the compliance requirements under the New Zealand Geographic Board (Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa) Act 2008. Waka Kotahi must use the official place name, where one exists. If they use another name, they must say it isn't the official name, which isn't practical on a

road sign. The Board wondered if there could be exceptions within the confines of the Act but considers it is unlikely. The Board does not have any power to provide exceptions to compliance under the NZGB Act 2008. The Secretary has advised Waka Kotahi of the Board's consideration of alternative Māori names for towns and cities while noting a process has not been decided and any decisions may be some way off. The Secretary has continued to emphasise the importance of the Māori place names being both orthographically correct and confirmed by mana whenua. The Board noted that if it can be proactive with agenda item 6 then it could front foot this for Waka Kotahi. However realistically the timing is unlikely to coincide, and the Board is not directed by the requirements of Waka Kotahi. The risk is that if the Board is not able to work alongside Waka Kotahi, they may proceed with a wrong name. The Board noted that in the examples provided in the report for this hui, Waka Kotahi has also misrepresented dual names, where each part of the name is of equal weight and the whole must be used as one name. Instead, signs emphasise just one of the names in a different font and above the other name. In other cases, signage is non-compliant. The Board noted that Waka Kotahi has a partnership agreement with Te Mātāwai (National Māori Language Board). Paulette Tamati-Elliffe is a member of the Pae Motuhake, which will be involved in moderating bilingual signage. She earlier today attended a hui for Pae Whakamāori representing Te Waipounamu. The Board agreed that it will be important that it helps facilitate discussions and partnerships between Waka Kotahi, local iwi and mana whenua. The Board agreed this is a great step forward but has some concerns that there may still be incorrect Māori names used if everyone doesn't work together. The Board needs to be managing this process because it officially approves (or collects) the names. The Board noted that Waka Kotahi understand it is more complicated with place names and they recognise the Board's authoritative role.

Resolution

The Board **noted** the report and **agreed** it must remain well engaged through the process with Waka Kotahi and take opportunity to help facilitate discussions and partnerships between Waka Kotahi, local iwi and mana whenua.

Action required

- Secretary to continue to liaise and engage with Waka Kotahi and to offer help towards facilitating discussions between Waka Kotahi, local iwi and mana whenua.

Standard decisions | Ngā whakataunga noa

11. Minister's decisions | Whakatau a te Minita

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4829303). The Board noted that the Minister for Land Information had agreed with the Board's recommendations. The Board noted that a post on Toitū Te Whenua LINZ's Facebook page advising of the Minister's final decision to alter Maxwell to Pākaraka had received a vitriolic response and resulted in the comments being hidden. The Board noted that notifications would continue on Toitū Te Whenua LINZ's Facebook, but that allowing comments on social media is a risk that Toitū Te Whenua LINZ will manage.

12. Delegated Decisions | Whakatau kua tukua kēhia

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4773394).

Lunch 12.15pm to 1.20pm

13. Submissions on proposals | Ngā tāpaetanga ki ngā tono

13.1 Lake McKinnon, Omanui / McKinnon Pass

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4750194). The Board noted it had received two objecting submissions, one opposing the spelling correction. The Board member representing FMC advised that John Hall-Jones is known to have got some things wrong. The Board noted that the pass on Milford track is a significant and well known landmark.

Resolution

The Board **considered** all submissions on the proposal to alter the unofficial recorded place name Lake Mackinnon to the official place name **Lake McKinnon** and their reasons,

and

Rejected the two objecting submissions based on the reasons provided not outweighing the reasons that the Board previously accepted for the proposal, being:

- that a function of the Board is to correct the spelling of geographic names,
- evidence that the feature was named for Quintin McPherson McKinnon (1851-1892), McKinnon is the correct spelling (despite his son allegedly saying otherwise) and he had a significant association with the area as a surveyor, explorer and guide, and
- an alteration to the spelling not impacting on emergency services as the current and proposed names are pronounced the same.

and

Confirms the Board's earlier decision to alter the unofficial recorded place name Lake Mackinnon to the official place name **Lake McKinnon**,

and

Reports the Board's decision to the Minister for Land Information **and requests** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.

Moved Shaun Barnett

Seconded Robin Kearns

All in favour

Carried

Resolution

The Board **considered** all submissions on the proposal to alter the unofficial recorded place name Mackinnon Pass to the official dual place name **Omanui / McKinnon Pass** and their reasons,

and

Rejected the two objecting submissions based on the reasons provided not outweighing the reasons that the Board previously accepted for the proposal, being:

- the Board's functions to investigate and determine the priority of the discovery of a geographic feature, and to collect and encourage the use of original Māori names on official charts and maps,
- evidence in Kā Huru Manu that Ōmanui is the original Māori name for the pass and TRONT's papatipu rūnanga's preference to have Ōmanui (with the macron) as the first part of the dual name, noting orthographic advice from a Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori licensed translator that the correct orthography is Omanui without the macron,
- applying a dual place name recognising the equal historical significance of both parts of the name,
- applying the Māori name first recognising first discovery by Māori,
- evidence that the feature was named for Quintin McPherson McKinnon (1851-1892), McKinnon is the correct spelling (despite his son allegedly saying otherwise) and he had a significant association with the area as a surveyor, explorer and guide,
- an alteration to the spelling from Mackinnon to McKinnon not impacting on emergency services as they are pronounced the same, and
- retaining the English part of the name making it easier to identify the pass in an emergency.

and

Confirms the Board's earlier decision to alter the recorded place name Mackinnon Pass to the official dual place name **Omanui / McKinnon Pass**, using the standardised orthography for Omanui without the macron, **and**

Reports the Board's decision to the Minister for Land Information **and requests** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.

Moved Jenni Vernon

Seconded Shaun Barnett

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretary to report the Board's recommendations for Lake McKinnon and Omanui / McKinnon Pass to the Minister for Land Information and request his final determinations.

13.2 Maungatūtū

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4830878). The Board could not decide on the objecting submissions as there was not enough information about the alternative original Māori names advised. The Board considered that there may be genuine doubt about the correctness of the original proposal based on the strong local response. It appeared there may be some disagreement between the local hapū/iwi about the original Māori name for the feature, and the Board could not make a decision without a clearer understanding of their views. The Board noted that there is a sense of support across the submissions both supporting, and in many objecting, for changing the name from Mount Misery. The Board agreed to defer consideration for more information.

Resolution

The Board **deferred** deciding on the objecting submissions until the Board's 26 July 2022 hui, to allow time for any further information on the proposed alternative names Tutaiwhata and Tukutuku to be obtained and to seek the views of mana whenua.

Noting that all correspondents will need to be informed of why the proposal is deferred.

Moved Chanel Clarke

Seconded Shane Te Ruki

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretariat to advise correspondents of reasons for the deferral.
- Secretariat to consult further with mana whenua in response to the content of the submissions.
- Secretariat to research further into the use of the alternative names raised by the objecting submissions.

Sheryll Johnson joined the hui at 1:30pm

The Board agreed to bring forward agenda item 16.

16. Crown protected area names | Ngā taunahatanga e tiakina ana e te Karauna

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4829304). The report covers progress with various Crown protected area names and pending proposals from DOC¹.

¹ Department of Conservation

Waipata Scientific Reserve

The Board noted that DOC confirmed assigning Waipata Scientific Reserve with 'Scientific' retained in the generic part of the name. The Minister of Conservation had previously questioned the use of 'Scientific', but the name would now progress to an Order in Council.

Katiki to Kātiki (six names)

The Board noted the request from Te Rūnanga o Moeraki to add a macron to Kātiki for several associated names and that DOC is determining how it will make a proposal for the two Crown protected areas. The Board noted that once confirmation is received from the rūnanga, DOC will formally put the request to the Board. The Board noted that TRONT may put forward corrections to further existing Crown protected area names.

Action items

The Board noted the list of action items with DOC, and that the Board's webpages have been updated for Crown protected area names. Overall, there hasn't been much progress on actions items since the 20 October 2021 hui, but another hui will soon be held with DOC to make progress on the actions.

The Board noted that agenda item 22 also affects DOC, being the basis for amending the Katiki Crown protected area names. The Board noted that a discussion on adding macrons to existing Crown protected area names by amendment had taken place with DOC, and if agreed by the Board under agenda item 22 it would meet DOC's needs. The Board noted that DOC would still need to confirm any recommended changes with macrons.

The Board wondered if changing the generic part of National Park names would compromise their protection under legislation. Sheryll Johnson advised that the protection remains the same because they are still classified as a National Park, and that DOC tries to ensure this status is represented in Treaty settlement legislation.

Removed: In confidence | Ngā take tapu

The Board noted that as part of the Ngā Awa project there was resistance from DOC to use the traditional name Tiari for Taieri River. Taieri River is an unofficial name in the Gazetteer, although Tairi is recorded in Kā Huru Manu, which the Board recognises as authoritative. The Board noted that it was unsure what further steps TRONT might make regarding the name, noting an extensive number of associated 'Taieri' names. The Board noted that DOC is aware of the issue and had discussed it with the Secretariat and that there may be a resolution from DOC. The Board noted that the relevant DOC teams have been informed about the process required to alter any 'Taieri' Crown protected area names.

Actions required

- *Removed: In confidence | Ngā take tapu*
- *Sheryll Johnson to consult further with DOC's media team on a process to manage Tiari and Taieri.*

Sheryll Johnson left the hui at 1:45pm

13. Submissions on proposals | Ngā tāpaetanga ki ngā tono [resumed]

13.3 Te Horohoroinga-o-ngā-ringā-o-Kahumatamoemoe

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4823898). The Board noted the query on page 3 regarding the name to be shown on the Tangata Whenua place names map. The Komiti Taunahatanga Māori has left this action with the Secretariat to make sure the new maps show Te Horohoroinga-o-ngā-ringā-o-Kahumatamoemoe.

Resolution

*The Board **considered the 46 supporting and three objecting submissions** received for this proposal, **and***

***Rejected the three objecting submissions** based on:*

- the proposal being to assign a new name to an unnamed feature, with any reasons based on 'change' by the objectors not being applicable,
- the proposal not being silly or frivolous, noting the cultural importance to the proposers and that it exercises the Board's function to encourage the use of original Māori names,
- the Board already having considered the cultural and historic importance of the name to outweigh concerns about its length, including implications for emergency response,
- no cost implications for changing signs and other published material as there is no existing name, and
- that assigning official place names is a primary function of the Board, and official place names are used on both official documents and by third parties,

and

Confirmed the Board's earlier decision to accept the proposal to assign an official place name Te Horohoroinga-o-ngā-ringā-o-Kahumatamomoe,

and

Reports the Board's decision to the Minister for Land Information **and requests** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.

Noting that Raukawa Settlement Trust, who assert mana whenua and provided its views to the Board's hui in a letter of 8 October 2021 in favour of Te Horohoroinga-o-ngā-ringā-o-Tia, has not made a submission objecting to the proposal during the notification period.

Moved Merata Kawharu

Seconded Shane Te Ruki

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretary to report the Board's recommendation for Te Horohoroinga-o-ngā-ringā-o-Kahumatamoemoe to the Minister for Land Information and request his final determination.

13.4 Lake Mangapōike

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4783893). The Board noted this is just an update as the public notification period for submissions is still open. The Board noted that Ministerial has been received from the proposer for Lake Te Horonui and had been responded to.

14. Name Proposals | Ngā tono taunahatanga

14.1. Skerretts Creek

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4813290).

Resolution

The Board **accepted** the proposal to **alter** the official name Skerretts Creek to **Skerretts Creek**, based on:

- a principal function of the Board being to correct the spelling of geographic names,
- evidence that the feature is named for Charles Perrin Skerrett, noting his association with the area,
- retaining the possessive form due to long term use and low public value,
- retaining the generic term 'Creek' due to long term use, and
- the proposed alteration not impacting emergency services.

and

Notify as a proposal to alter for one month.

Moved Shaun Barnett
Seconded Paulette Tamati-Elliffe
All in favour
Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to notify as a proposal to alter Skerrets Creek to Skerretts Creek for one month.

15. Recorded names approved as official | E whaimana ai ngā taunahatanga

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4789876). The Board noted that page one, paragraph 5 should read recommendation 1 not option 6. The Board noted that:

- The programme to date generally has not had the benefit of existing history/origin/meaning in the Gazetteer. Instead, mana whenua and councils were requested to advise on the story during consultation.
- Having now imported the entries from Reed's *Place Names of New Zealand*, some identify potential alternative Māori and non-Māori place names. These have been identified in the Appendices A-D.
- The criteria in section 24 of the NZGB Act 2008 states that the Board can approve a name where there is 'no other alternative recorded name', and that the Board's opinion, would not attract objection.
- The question for the Board is should the Reed entries be accepted at face value? If so, where other names (whether Māori or non-Māori) are referred to, should the recorded name be excluded from the fast-track process?

The Board noted that it is taking a risk-based approach, so if the entries raise any doubt, the recorded names should be left as unofficial. The Board wondered what should be considered to be an authoritative source. The Board noted that the definition also applies to official documents, and so far the Board has minuted that it considers published official maps and charts from Toitū Te Whenua LINZ and its predecessors, other Crown funded organisations, and Ngāi Tahu's Kā Huru Manu (on a case by case basis), to be considered authoritative. The Board noted that it could consider Reed's *Place Names of New Zealand* to be authoritative but did not support this. The only requirement currently is 'the Board's opinion'. The Board noted that a stronger definition of what could be considered authoritative may be useful, and the next Statutes Amendment Bill may present an opportunity. The Board noted that the purpose of approving recorded names as official was because while many had been in use for a long time including on maps, only a fraction had been made official by the Board at the time of the introduction of the NZGB Act 2008. The Board noted there are 19 mana whenua groups in Auckland, and most haven't provided a response even though they have had additional time to respond. The Board was concerned that there might not have been adequate engagement. The Board agreed it is important to progress this work, but it is more important that mana whenua have been fully consulted with and given a fair opportunity to be heard. The Board agreed to defer any decisions until at least its next hui. The Board considered that with the COVID-19 pandemic and the needs of the community, that iwi have been too overwhelmed to reply. The Board noted that one iwi has asked for assistance with funding to be able to do the necessary research to properly respond to the Board's requests for their views. The Board noted that there is no funding from Toitū Te Whenua LINZ but there may be other agencies that could help. On what are authoritative documents, the Board discussed whether iwi documents could be recognised as authoritative. For example, research collated and submitted to the Waitangi Tribunal including handwritten maps. The Board noted that it makes its own decision on what is authoritative, so the documents would need to be presented to the Board and agreed on. The Board agreed that any potentially controversial names cannot be fast tracked, so when other names are referred to in Reed, they should be excluded by default. Recorded dual names should also be removed from consideration from the fast track process. The Board noted that there are specific criteria around making dual names official, such as equal significance of the names, and the recorded dual names present other issues like duplication of generic terms or dual non-Māori names, which are not desirable. The Board noted the large number of Auckland names, with many being significant, and agreed to extend the consultation period. As the next Board hui is relatively soon, the Board agreed to deferring until its December 2022 hui would provide enough time. The Board noted that it could prioritise this work or it could just leave names as unofficial recorded, noting that they would stay in the form they are currently recorded as, on official documents. The Board discussed the lists in the Appendices and recommendations as they stood and whether any categories of names could be approved, such as suburbs, noting some of the Auckland Local Boards had

provided their approval. However, if mana whenua desired to also alter the existing suburb names at some point, then potentially the fast track process should not be followed. Noting that deferring to the December 2022 hui meant that the Board can leave the time frame open ended until effective consultation has been completed. The Board agreed to recommendation 6 for existing official names.

Resolutions

The Board **noted** the use of information from Reed affecting names under consideration in this report and for the fast-track process going forward:

- not approving names that have alternative names in Reed may support the test of those names being publicly objected to,
- the alternative names in Reed are not considered to be 'recorded names' under the Act and so they are not prevented from being approved,
- Reed may or may not accurately record alternative original Māori names for many features. The names may also be for the wrong feature type, or be entirely incorrect,
- Reed is not an authoritative source, but it is being used as a starting point for adding stories to the Gazetteer,
- older alternative non-Māori names in Reed may only be of historic interest and potentially have no relevance to consideration of the current names, which have been in long term use on official maps and charts,
- quality checks on the migrated Reed data are ongoing by the Secretariat.

and

Agreed to exclude from consideration for approval under the fast track process going forward, those names where other names are identified in Reed's Place Names of New Zealand.

Moved Shaun Barnett

Seconded Jenni Vernon

AND

The Board **excludes** unofficial recorded dual names and unofficial recorded alternative names from consideration for approval under the fast track process going forward.

Moved Anselm Haanen

Seconded Jenni Vernon

AND

The Board will **notify amendments** to **12** existing official place names in **Appendix E** by adding macrons for consistency with the associated/duplicated place names in Appendices A and B.

Moved Jenni Vernon

Seconded Robin Kearns

AND

The Board **agreed** that all other names will have the consultation period extended without a specific end date noting Board members to assist, and particularly Merata Kawharu with Ngāti Whatua mana whenua.

and

The Secretariat to report to the Board at a future hui on the updated list of names with the results of the additional consultation.

Further discussion

The Board discussed whether the Reed entries for recorded names, which would be excluded from reporting to the Board, should still be sent to mana whenua. After taking account of how much weight to place on Reed, the Board agreed that they should still be included in the recorded names consulted on, ie, consultation could confirm whether or not Reed is correct. The Board noted that this would make the job a lot larger, but it is already a big job that must be done correctly and the Reed entries will help. The Board agreed that these new decisions would apply to future regions where it hasn't heard back from mana whenua and that the Secretariat should pro-actively contact every region. The Board discussed other ways to consult with the right people and what other funding might be available. The Board considered that Te Mātāwai's connections may be more effective than Te Puni Kōkiri's, which the Board currently uses. The Board agreed that the process could be

changed. The Board noted that a hui with the Minister for Land information and the Labour Māori caucus was coming up, with potential funding for agenda item 6 being the topic. The Board recognised the opportunity to seek support to advance these issues so it may be valuable for a Māori Board member to attend.

Actions required

- *Secretariat to correct page one paragraph 5 of the report to read recommendation 1 not option 6.*
- *Secretariat to notify amendments to the 12 existing official place names in Appendix E.*
- *Secretariat to consult further with mana whenua on the deferred Auckland unofficial recorded names.*
- *Merata Kawharu to assist with consultation with Ngāti Whatua mana whenua in Auckland.*
- *Consultation with other Auckland iwi to be arranged and assistance provided by other Board members.*
- *Secretariat to report on Auckland unofficial recorded names at a future Board hui once there are results from consultation with mana whenua.*
- *Secretariat to include and identify unofficial recorded names with Reed entries which identify other names as part consultation for future regions under the fast track process, also to seek feedback confirming or discounting the content of those Reed entries. If responses are not received the entries will be taken at face value and names excluded from consideration for approval under the fast track process.*
- *Secretariat to exclude unofficial recorded dual names and unofficial recorded alternative names from consideration for approval under the fast track process in future reports.*
- *Secretariat to investigate changing consultation processes to utilise Te Mātāwai.*

Committees/Decisions | Ngā Komiti/Ngā Whakataunga

17. Komiti Taunahatanga Māori

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4803165). The Komiti met yesterday and the following updates were provided verbally:

- The Komiti agreed that the decision on which original Māori place names are collected in the Gazetteer is to be made by the Secretariat. It is an unnecessary step as tangata whenua have already been consulted with through the agreed process. The Komiti's Terms of Reference require an update to remove this requirement for collected names.
- The online version of the Tangata Whenua Place Names map was discussed and there was a recommendation to pursue funding and resources to support it. At a previous Komiti hui a quote to produce a standalone website with the digital map was presented for \$40k. Budget is limited and this is not a priority. However, this is a useful tool and something the Komiti supports. It may be possible through a collaboration with the Ministry of Education to continue work on the digital map. The Komiti agreed that the Gazetteer is hard to use and it is not a usable resource for teachers. The Gazetteer needs to have a better user interface.
- The Komiti noted the name Te Moana-o-Raukawa for Cook Strait for the Tangata Whenua Place Names map.

The Board noted that while the objectives of the Komiti are good, it is unlikely the online Tangata Whenua Place Names map will happen this year. The Board noted that the Gazetteer is to be eventually redeveloped as part of the outreach strategy, but the priority for now is the Board's website.

Actions required

- *Secretariat to delete from the Komiti Taunahatanga Māori Terms of Reference the requirement for it to confirm collected Māori place names.*
- *Secretariat to update its Promapp process for collecting original Māori names to reflect this change.*

18. Undersea Feature Names Committee | Komiti Ingoa mō ngā Tārainga Takere Moana

18.1. Recommendations for 18 undersea feature names

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4811885).

Recommendations 1-4

The Board did not consider Utah Basin to be an appropriate undersea feature name. Although it is associated with Utah Island, the name does not meet the Board's *Standard for undersea feature names* as it refers to a commercial entity. The Board noted the commercial entity's links to coal and uranium mining on Native American land, and its adverse health effects. The Board agreed that it would not approve Utah Basin, noting that it will remain as an unofficial recorded undersea feature name.

Resolutions

*That the Board **declines to approve** Utah Basin based on not meeting the Standard for undersea feature names in respect to the name being linked to a commercial entity, noting Utah Basin will remain an unofficial recorded undersea feature name.*

and

*That the Board **approves** the recorded undersea feature names:*

- **Grono Basin**
- **Kahutara Spur**
- **Yates Canyon**

*as **official** undersea feature names based on it being unlikely that there will be public objection and there being no other known recorded names for the features.*

Moved Robin Kearns

Seconded Paulette Tamati-Elliffe

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- *Secretariat to notify Grono Basin, Kahutara Spur and Yates Canon as approved official undersea feature names.*

Recommendation 5: **Heaphy Sea Valley to Kahurangi Valley**

The Board noted that Heaphy Seavalley has been in use for 50 years. The Board noted this recommendation will alter the feature's name to that of an associated Māori place name on the adjacent mainland in line with discussions at its previous hui. The Board noted that dropping 'Sea' from the generic term is in line with the international convention. The Board noted that the meaning of Kahurangi for Kahurangi National Park means 'cloaks of the sky'. The Board was advised that Māori words can have multiple meanings, and Kahurangi usually means precious. The Board noted that 50 years ago Māori were not afforded an opportunity to consult on the name so there should be no issue on altering a name that has been in use for 50 years. The UFNC's Chair noted that this is the heart of what the Committee has been doing recently and it would be good to understand the Board's views to guide future UFNC decisions. The Board noted that at its 20 October 2021 hui it had clarified the principles for altering undersea feature names to be associated with Māori place names on land. The Board noted that it has altered names on land that have been in use for over 50 years, so long-term use shouldn't influence its decision. The Board wondered if it may be an issue if Heaphy River was renamed. However, Kahurangi Point is the nearest land-based feature so it would not affect Heaphy River. The Board noted that the land continues to beyond the water's edge, so land-based and undersea features are connected. The Board acknowledged the UFNC's work and thorough reporting. The Board wondered why bathymetric data is provided to SCUFN² and not the Board. The UFNC's Chair advised that it is a requirement for SCUFN, and it can be provided to the Board if required.

² Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature Names

Resolution

The Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **agrees to alter** the existing published unofficial undersea feature name Heaphy Sea Valley to **Kahurangi Valley** as an official undersea feature name, based on:

- the Board's clarified principles for altering undersea feature names in association with Māori place names on land, as determined at its 20 October 2021 hui,
- the feature's geographical proximity to Kahurangi Point, and
- 'Sea Valley' being an obsolete generic term and 'Valley' now being the generic term to describe the feature.

Noting that:

- Ngāi Tahu has no issue with Kahurangi, meaning 'precious', being used to name the undersea feature,
- Kahurangi was subsequently confirmed as being the correct orthography,
- Heaphy Sea Valley, which was named after Heaphy River on the adjacent mainland, has been in long term use (50 years), and
- a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

Moved Adam Greenland

Seconded Robin Kearns

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to notify an alteration of Heaphy Sea Valley to Kahurangi Valley under section 25 of the NZGB Act 2008.

[Secretariat Note: Following this Board hui the original depiction of the feature on bathymetric charts was found to not match modern bathymetric data. The UFNC will reconsider the data at its 2023 hui, so the decision to change the name may need to be revisited.]

Afternoon tea 3.15pm to 3.30pm

Board discussion: Recommendations 6-11

The Board considered recommendations 6-11 as a group. For recommendation 11, the Board wondered if the generic term should be Channel, noting that it is a channel being named after Adare Sea, so it is correct. The Board discussed recommendation 7 and considered the proposed alteration to be appropriate.

[Secretariat Note: Adare Sea Channel is not named after the Adare Sea, which doesn't exist. Sea Channel is the generic term endorsed by SCUFN.]

Resolutions

6. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **agrees to alter** the existing published unofficial undersea feature name Veryan Channels to Veryan Valley as an official undersea feature name, based on the generic term 'Valley' correctly describing the feature.

Noting that a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

AND

7. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **alters** the existing published unofficial undersea feature name Chicken Seamount to **Parea Guyot** as an official undersea feature name based on:

- Parea, the Chatham Island native pigeon that spends a lot of its time on the ground, being a more appropriate local bird name to use on the sea floor,
- keeping the theme of bird names used in the area on the research survey SO168 voyage, **and**
- the generic term 'Guyot' more correctly describing the feature as it has a flat top with a dip of less than two degrees.

Noting that:

- Parea was subsequently confirmed as being the correct orthography,
- Chicken Seamount (Hünchen) was named in 2003 during the SO168 survey done by the German research vessel Sonne, **and**
- a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

AND

8. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **alters** the existing published unofficial undersea feature name *Giljanes Volcano* to **Giljanes Seamount** as an official undersea feature name based on the generic term 'Volcano' not conforming with the IHO's B-6 Guidelines or the Standard for undersea feature names, and the generic term 'Seamount' correctly describing the feature.

Noting that a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

AND

9. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **alters** the existing published unofficial undersea feature name *Matahourua Seamount* to **Matahourua Ridge** as an official undersea feature name based on the generic term 'Ridge' correctly describing the feature.

Noting that a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

AND

10. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **assigns Waite Hills** as a new official undersea feature name based on Edgar Waite having an association with the area and the feature being two hills joined by a saddle.

Subject to consultation with the relevant international naming authorities who have an interest in the area (China, Republic of Korea and USA).

Noting that:

- the name is not duplicated in the Board's naming jurisdiction, and
- because of lack of data coverage SCUFN's acceptance of a proposal may be marginal.

AND

11. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **confirms** its April 2021 decision to **assign Adare Sea Channel** as a new official undersea feature name based on it being a separate feature at the end of Wilson Canyon, which extends from -70.9120 latitude, 175.4330 longitude to -71.7171 latitude, 173.8242 longitude, and defines its shape.

Recommendations 6-11

Moved Adam Greenland

Seconded Jenni Vernon

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to notify alterations to four existing published undersea feature names and assign two new official undersea feature names.

Board discussion: Recommendations 12-17

The Board considered recommendations 12-17 as a group. The Board noted that for recommendation 13 the use of an acronym is not consistent with the New Zealand and international undersea feature naming standards. However, KOPRI Seamount has already been accepted internationally in the GEBCO Gazetteer. The Board noted that the UFNC had initially suggested naming the feature for the Republic of Korea's vessel *RV Aaron*.

Resolutions

12. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **reviews** the existing unofficial undersea feature name **Coquille Seamount** and **adopts** it as an official undersea feature name based on it being published in an official document, and it being in common but not long-term use in scientific literature.

Noting that the availability of data is pending investigation and a proposal should only be made to SCUFN if there is enough data available.

AND

13. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **reviews** the existing unofficial undersea feature name, **KOPRI Seamount**, already accepted by SCUFN, and **adopts** it as an official undersea feature name, based on:

- Republic of Korea having consulted with the Board before proposing KOPRI Seamount to SCUFN,
- there being no other names for the feature, and

- SCUFN having accepted KOPRI Seamount and published it in the GEBCO Gazetteer.

Noting that as an acronym this name does not comply with the Board's Standard for undersea feature names.

AND

14.-16. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **reviews** the existing unofficial undersea feature names:

- **Lower Paritū Basin**
- **Paritū Basin**
- **Paritū Gap**

and **adopts** them as official undersea feature names based on them being published in official documents and being in common but not long-term use, in scientific literature.

Subject to the Board agreeing that when an existing undersea feature name is standardised with a macron and the meaning remains unchanged, it can adopt it as official under s.26 of the NZGB Act 2008.

Noting that the proposals to SCUFN will require bathymetric data, and an amended extent for Paritū Trough will be provided to SCUFN as the current extent overlaps Paritū Basin.

AND

17. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **reviews** the existing unofficial undersea feature name **Petrel Spur** and **adopts** it as an official undersea feature name based on it being published in an official document and being in long term use (25 years).

Noting that a proposal to SCUFN will require bathymetric data.

Recommendations 12-17

Moved Adam Greenland

Seconded Merata Kawharu

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to notify six undersea feature names as officially adopted under section 25 of the NZGB Act 2008.

Recommendation 18: Wilson Canyon coordinates

Resolution

18. That the Board accepts the UFNC recommendation and **notifies a corrigendum** to correct the coordinates of **Wilson Canyon** from 70°35.00'S latitude 176°45.00'E longitude, to 'extending from -70.4238 latitude, 175.6238 longitude to -70.9120 latitude, 175.4330 longitude', and **advises** SCUFN and SCAR of the corrected coordinates and extent.

Recommendations 18

Moved Adam Greenland

Seconded Chanel Clarke

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretariat to notify a corrigendum in the NZ Gazette to correct the coordinates of Wilson Canyon.
- Secretariat to advise SCUFN of the corrected coordinates and extent.

18.2. Administrative recommendation and items to note

Additional information tabled

- Update to agenda item 18.2: Outcomes from SCUFN's virtual hui 14-18 March (LinZone ID A4853106)
- Outcomes of New Zealand proposals to SCUFN (LinZone ID A4853108)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4820570). The Board was pleased to note the activity in the international liaison area. New Zealand appears to be leading the way and is being called

upon by other nations for advice. The Board noted that this fits well with its outreach goals and it is great to see other countries holding the Board's advice and practices in such high regard. The Board noted the positive outcomes for New Zealand from SCUFN's 2022 hui. The Board noted that its undersea feature naming decisions from today would have more time to be compiled and submitted to SCUFN, which would not consider them until later in 2023. The Board noted there has been great progress in this space. The Board noted a misspelling for Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri in the report, pages 2 and 3.

Resolution

*That the Board **ratifies** the changes to the UFNC's Terms of Reference as agreed by the UFNC at its hui on 2 February 2022.*

Moved Jenni Vernon
Seconded Anselm Haanen
All in favour

Action required

- Secretariat to correct spelling of Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri in the report, pages 2 and 3.

19. Antarctic Names Committee | Komiti Ingoa mō te Tiri o te Moana ki te Tonga

19.1. Progress rationalising Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Composite Gazetteer of Antarctica with the New Zealand Gazetteer

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4833813). The Board noted that some rationalisation had been completed. The process overall remains the same, although constrained by limited time and resources, ie:

- Secretariat review of names
- updates recommended to the Antarctic Names Committee
- updates to the New Zealand Gazetteer
- rationalising changes with the Composite Gazetteer of Antarctica.

The Board noted that it remains important that the work is completed, as the international composite Gazetteer is what scientists and other nations operating in Antarctica typically take data from. The Board noted that some reviewed names are yet to be rationalised, and 1666 Antarctic place names are still to be reviewed.

19.2. Aotearoa NZ Antarctic and Southern Ocean Research Directions and Priorities 2021-2030.

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4833828). The Board applauded the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's bringing mātauranga Māori concepts into its documentation.

Outreach | Toronga

20. Outreach and Engagement | Toronga me te Whakawhanaunga

20.1. Outreach and Engagement | Toronga me te Whakawhanaunga

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4827601). The Board noted that the Outreach Lead has hit the ground running, and noted these highlights:

- Social media has eased off after the Facebook comments backlash for Maxwell to Pākaraka. A strategy for managing social media is being worked on.
- The top priority is getting the business case for the separate website finalised. There have been robust discussions about what might be included and excluded but there needs to be more discussions on the Gazetteer to help steer the website.

- Over the next six months the Outreach Lead will engage with the Ministry of Education on how to support the new Aotearoa Histories curriculum for 2023.
- Radio New Zealand are working on a podcast of place names' pronunciation and this is a great opportunity to highlight the Board's work. Wendy Shaw and Paulette Tamati-Elliffe will be interviewed.

The Board wondered if there is scope to broaden the podcast to include other Board members. The Board noted that it is expected that in the future there will be more episodes if the first season is successful. Paulette Tamati-Elliffe advised that her involvement is around an interview she had previously done with Marcus Lush regarding Opoho and Taieri. The Board noted that the angle of the podcast was to start with common mispronunciations. The Board queried the scope of what Te Haumihiata Mason's contract encompassed. The Board noted that Te Haumihiata Mason will provide the correct pronunciation for the Māori names in the Gazetteer where the Board has confirmed orthography, totalling approximately 8,000 of 25,000 Māori names in the Gazetteer.

20.2. Brand Rollout

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4829939). The Board noted that the brand rollout is going well, and it will hopefully go live in June 2022. The difficulty is how the Board is referred to as an entity versus Pou Taunaha. The Board noted that a guide for when to use each name and logo is included in its electronic papers.

The Board noted that from July to November 2022 the stand-alone website is expected to be developed and by December 2022 everything should have the correct wordmark on it. By June the old logo will be phased out completely and all email signatures will be changed. It is a 2-step process which takes time.

The Board noted that its centenary is a significant milestone and that it needed to start planning given it is 20 months away. The Board noted that regarding the contract for an historian to produce content for the Gazetteer, a plan is to ensure any material can be reused for the centenary. The plan is to gradually build up content and the audience on the way to the centenary year.

The Board thanked the Outreach Lead for her hard work in the short period she has been in the role.

20.3. Engagement Strategy and Communications Plan Summary

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4839754). The Board noted the overview of the different consultation and engagement channels between the Secretariat team and within Toitū Te Whenua LINZ.

Projects, initiatives | Ngā mahi, ngā kaupapa

21. Publications | Ngā whakaputanga

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4803163). The Board noted Shaun Barnett's paper *Saddle, Pass or Col?* (Linzone ID A4699380), which was very clear and well written.

22. Standardising names with macrons when adopting under s.26 and validated under s.35 of the NZGB Act 2008 | Te Whai i ngā tikanga tuhi ina hoatu tohutō ki te ingoa, ina kawea aki I raro I te s.26 me te whakaū i raro i te s.35 or te Ture NZGB 2008

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4787772). The Board noted that this report would bring decisions on adopting names for undersea features and adding macrons in line with prior Board decisions on approving names under the fast track process.

Resolutions

Agree that existing Māori undersea feature names be standardised with macrons where required, when adopted as official under section 26 of the NZGB Act 2008 (no consultation), as the addition of macrons is not considered an alteration,

and

Agree that existing Māori CPA names may be standardised with macrons when validated as official under section 35 of the NZGB Act 2008 (no public consultation), as the addition of macrons is not considered an alteration,

and

Subject to agreement from DOC, **agree** to **notify amendments/corrigenda** to standardise the orthography of Māori Crown protected area names validated and gazetted as official by the Board under section 35 of the NZGB Act 2008,

Noting there may be exceptions such as for Marine Reserves, which are named by individual Acts of Parliament or Orders in Council.

Moved Jenni Vernon

Seconded Anselm Haanen

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to review existing Crown protected area names to identify where orthography could be standardised.

Secretariat's update | Kōrero hou a te Hekeretari

23. Secretariat's update | Kōrero hou a te Hekeretari

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A4829316). The Secretary provided a summary of some items:

- Page 3 shows which Board memberships will be coming up for renewal in April 2023.
- Planning for the Annual Report will begin in June and if Board members have any suggestions for content, they should email them to the Secretary.
- The Board's Māori Language Plan is up for review, this will be presented at the Board's July hui.
- The Secretary will continue to inform Fire and Emergency NZ (FENZ) about non-compliant locality names in the FENZ Localities dataset.
- Work has not progressed with Te Haumihiata Mason to make arrangements for the two webinars about macrons in 2022.
- There have been 55 enquiries since October 2021.
- Christopher Stephens will be giving a webinar to the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographic Names (UNGEGN) on developing Gazetteers using free and open source software.
- Robin Kearns has submitted a chapter for an international collaborative book on toponymy.

The Board noted there is a lot of work going on in the background for the Secretariat and thanked them for their tremendous work.

Other business | He take atu anō

24. Other business | He take atu anō

Board discussion

The next Board hui is on 26 July 2022, and it is hoped the Minister for Land Information can attend at lunchtime. The Board agreed that it would be appropriate for the Board to send a letter of congratulations to Tā Tipene O'Regan on becoming New Zealander of the Year. He was on the Board for 25+ years and is one of only a few living New Zealanders who has a named feature in Antarctica. The Board agreed that the Chairperson will draft a letter from the Board. The Board noted that Rereata Makihia was a recipient with Tā Tipene. The Board noted that there is an interesting Kim Hill interview with Tā Tipene O'Regan on Radio NZ podcasts, which may be interesting to listen to.

Actions required

- *Chairperson to draft a letter of congratulations to Tā Tipene O'Regan on behalf of the Board, for being the 2022 New Zealander of the Year.*
- *Secretary to share the email she sent to Tā Tipene O'Regan with the Board.*

The meeting closed at 4.41pm with a karakia from Shane Te Ruki.

Certified as a true and correct record of the hui:

Anselm Haanen, Chairperson

Date

Actions from 8 April 2022 minutes (excluding Secretariat actions)			
Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Completed
5. Progress overview Tirohanga kokenga	Provide comments and suggestions to the Secretary for the 2021/22 Annual Report.	Board	
15. Recorded names approved as official E whaimana ai ngā taunahatanga	Assist consultation with Auckland mana whenua	Board, particularly Merata Kawharu	
24. Other business He take atu anō	Draft a letter of congratulations to Tā Tipene O'Regan, on behalf of the Board, for being the 2022 New Zealander of the Year.	Chairperson	Done

Actions from 20 October 2021 minutes for Chairperson, Board or Committees			
Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Completed
7. Strategies for alternative Māori names for major cities and towns Rautaki mō te ingoa Māori mō ngā taone nui me ngā taone	Make contact with the Future for Local Government Panel, and act as a conduit for the Board.	Bonita Bigham	

Actions from 14 October 2020 minutes for Chairperson, Board or Committees			
Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Completed
7. Board Agreements (Previous minutes of 27 July 2020)	Discuss with LINZ's Chief Executive adding a schedule to the LINZ/ Board Agreement of the high-level services LINZ provides to the Board.	Chairperson	OPEN. Awaiting the conclusion of LINZ's restructure in mid-2022. The approach is less formal than previously.