

**Northern Health School Board
Special General Meeting Minutes
Held online Monday 13 October 2025 at 7.00pm**

Present: R. Winder, H. Terstappen, S. Willis-Baker, R. Tuwhangai

Apologies: Nil

Also in attendance: R. Bourgaize (Minute Taker)

Meeting commenced at 7.04pm (online)

J. Huston (Previous Presiding Member) and J. Walker (Previous Deputy Presiding Member) joined the online meeting.

H. Terstappen was formally welcomed to the Northern Health School Board as the newly appointed staff representative.

R. Winder advised that the MOE has not yet confirmed the appointment of the Ministerial-appointed Board members.

Board member co-option

The remaining members of the Board agreed to co-opt J. Huston and J. Walker as members of the NHS Board.

Move that J. Huston and J. Walker be formally accepted as co-opted members to the NHS Board.

Moved: R. Winder, Seconded: S. Willis-Baker. All in Favour.

The Board discussed the duration of the co-option term.

Move that the term of co-option for J. Huston and J. Walker continue until the MOE confirms the appointment of the Ministerial-appointed Board members.

**Moved: R. Tuwhangai, Seconded: R. Winder.
Votes For: 4, Abstain: 2 (J. Huston, J. Walker)
Motion Carried.**

Presiding Member Election

Call for nominations for Presiding Member.

R. Tuwhangai nominated J. Huston for Presiding Member and J. Walker for Deputy Presiding Member.

Move that the Board appoint J. Huston as Presiding Member and J. Walker as Deputy Presiding Member of the NHS Board.

Moved: R. Tuwhangai, Seconded: S. Willis-Baker. All in Favour.

J. Huston was declared Presiding Member and J. Walker was declared Deputy Presiding Member of the NHS Board.

NHS Strike Action Response

R. Winder informed the Board of the planned strike action by the PPTA and NZEI, referring to the correspondence that had been sent to members earlier in the day, and how this would affect NHS.

R. Winder and H. Terstappen declared a conflict of interest in relation to the strike action discussion, due to their membership in relevant unions.

Move that the school is closed on the full strike day.

Moved: J. Huston, Seconded: J. Walker.
Votes For: 4, Abstain: 2 (R. Winder, H. Terstappen)
Motion Carried.

Move that management decide whether individual non striking staff may work from home on a case by case basis.

Moved: J. Huston, Seconded: R. Tuwhangai.
Votes For: 4, Abstain: 2 (R. Winder, H. Terstappen)
Motion Carried.

Strategic Plan

The Board were advised the strategic planning group had met to review the existing strategic plan and identified initial areas for the Board to consider.

General Business

The Board was advised that applications for the staff position at the Starship unit have now closed. J. Walker and J. Huston indicated that one of them would participate on the appointment panel for the position and will await confirmation of interview dates.

Meeting Closed 7.26pm

Next meeting: 6 November 2025