



**MINDFUL FASHION NZ**  
Our clothing & textiles collective

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**MINDFUL FASHION NEW ZEALAND**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023, 5.30pm**  
**WALL FABRICS, AUCKLAND & Online**

**BOARD & ORGANISATION MEMBERS**

**PRESENT**

Jacinta FitzGerald  
Saida Bruce  
James Walker  
Juliette Hogan  
Emily Miller-Sharma  
Kate Sylvester  
Trevor Hookway  
Louina Fifita  
Dan Ahwa  
Wayne Conway

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Juliette Hogan  
Ruby  
Kate Sylvester  
Hawes and Freer  
Attic Attire  
Wall Fabrics  
Charles Parsons  
Identity Solutions  
Foal  
Three Peaks New Zealand  
Flo and Frankie  
Zambesi  
Studio Bibi (online)  
Flo and Frankie (online)  
Dalston (online)  
Caitlin Crisp (online)  
Lof (online)

**NON MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeff Vollebregt and Michael Elias - Upparel  
Charli Cox - Koha  
Tracey Creed - Koha

Caroline Mar - The Carpenters Daughter  
Juna - Moa Grey Lynn  
Caitlan Mitchell - Review Magazine (online)  
Kristin Buswell - VFC (online)  
Julie Malone (online)

**PARTNERS PRESENT**

Jane James -MFE  
Nicky Harrison - PwC Legal  
Anita Chang - PwC Legal  
Rosa Henderson - PwC Legal  
Lyle Reilly - AUT  
Anna Farrera - Pead (online)  
Avery Turner - Pead (online)  
Sue Prescott - Massey University (online)

**APOLOGIES**

Rob Ward - Beverley Productions  
Yii Petrus - Whakatupu Aotearoa  
Carl Vink - Whakatupu Aotearoa  
Hugh Douglas - Weft Knitting  
Rachel Smart - Frame Recruiting  
Margo Barton - Otago Polytechnic  
Sally Webster - Case Basket Comms  
Rosie Holt - Saben  
Yasmin Farry - NZFW  
Mat Junge - Albion Clothing & Cactus Outdoor  
Emma Wallace - Kowtow  
Anna-Lise Sharma - Ruby  
Benny Castles - World  
Jennifer Whitty - VUW  
Alex McGrath - AgResearch  
Fee Cortis - Blunt  
Sarah Munnik - Pead



**Meeting start time:** 5.30pm

**Formalities began:** 5.45pm

**1. Welcome & Chair's Report & Treasurers Report - James Walker, Chair.**

- James reflected on his time as Chair since MFNZ began in 2019.
- Highlights from the last year and our progress
- Financial statements presented for approval by members: Decision - APPROVED
- Overview of funding pie and membership fee contribution (31% in FY23).
- Recap fees were paused during Covid 19, then reduced by half when reinstated. Fees have been reviewed by the Board in Feb 2023 and left unchanged, however James signalled the Board will need to keep under review.
- James acknowledged Jacinta had been appointed to CE and her contribution as the driver behind MFNZ, and the progress achieved since the 2022 AGM. James acknowledged Saida.
- James acknowledged all partners and educational institutions.

**2. MFNZ update and overview of new strategy - Jacinta FitzGerald, CE.**

- Jacinta shared insights and learnings from key projects over last year - getting Machinist skills on Hanga Aro Rau priority list for 2023; Climate Action programme; Rethinking textile waste seminar resulting in real impact reduction by reducing waste to landfill and catalysing partnerships.
- Jacinta introduced the revised MFNZ strategy, outlining the main pillars: Voice, Drive, Shape and key themes under each pillar to advance MFNZs mission for its members.
- Jacinta shared what the organisation will be working on in 2023, including a calendar of events for members, resources and toolkits.
- Jacinta acknowledged James in his role as Chair, and thanked him for his support and advice over the last 3 years. Jacinta acknowledged Saida's contribution.
- Jacinta announced James was approved as a Board member in the elections.

**3. Announcement of Board elections results - James Walker**

- James acknowledged outgoing Board members.
- James announced election results and introduction of new Board members:
  - Trevor Hookway confirmed for second term.
  - Emma Wallace from Kowtow.
  - Mat Junge from Albion Clothing / Cactus Outdoor.
- James announced Juliette Hogan approved as new Board Chair.

**4. New Chair address - Juliette Hogan**

- Juliette thanked members and spoke of her passion for the industry and her desire to give back, to convey why she wanted to take on the role of chair.



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**5. Closing remarks from our co-founders Kate Sylvester and Emily Miller-Sharma**

- Kate and Emily welcomed the new Board members, and thanked James for his contribution as the inaugural Chair of the organisation.

**Meeting closed 6.35pm**