

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**THE OPERATIONAL RESEARCH SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND** ORSNZ Council Meeting  
Wellington, November 24 2008

**Place:** Lecture Theatre 122 (ground floor)  
Cotton Building, Kelburn Campus  
Victoria University of Wellington  
Kelburn Parade, Wellington

**Attending:** Andrew Mason, Matthias Ehrgott, John Paynter, Fernando Beltran, Stefanka Chukova, Ross James, Andy Philpott, Mark Johnston

- President presented Council Minutes from July 2008 meeting. Minutes were approved.

Matters arising: none.

- Discussion on OR schools:

No discussion on OR schools. Andy Philpott will try to get money from to promote OR in schools. He will continue doing that.

- Unregistering the Society for GST purposes:

President suggests Society unregisters for GST.

John Paynter says it should be fine. This would save money to the Society.

A question arose: does the society spend more in GST than it spends?

We should do a 5-year calculation to know whether unregistering is worthy.

The Council decided to delay the decision.

- IFORS nomination:

Society should follow David Ryan's recommendation.

- Modification of constitution:

President will get back to the Charities Commission and tell them we are holding up any decision.

- Other matters:

John Paynter would like to see feedback from people giving feedback on conference and services. E-mail would be a good post-conference activity with a survey.

At 6:15 p.m. meeting is closed.

*Fernando Beltran, ORSNZ Secretary*