

Ngaitakoto Hui-A-Iwi – MINUTES

DATE: 15.11.12 **TIME:** 6.30 pm
VENUE: Mahimaru Marae, Awanui
KARAKIA: Hohepa PETERA
PRESENT: Shorty MURRAY, Angela KEUNG, Jeff HOBSON, Lucella NORMAN, Mete NORMAN, Dawn WELSH, Glenda JOB, Margaret HOBSON, Peter-Lucas JONES, Keoni MAHELONA, Michelle PETERSON, Stuart MATHEWS, Carol BERGHAN, Polly UJDUR, Vaniva RUTENE-LEWIS, Whiti AWARAU, Deon PETERA, Rose PETERA, Deborah EDDY, Hohepa PETERA, Peter JONES, Michael MARSDEN, Mary PETERSON, Mere HENRY
Tamariki - Kravitz UJDUR, Roharia PETERA
Left early - Waha MURRAY, Myra BERGHAN, Mangu AWARAU, Mabel RAKICH, Stevie JONES
MIHIMIHI: Peter- Lucas JONES, Hohepa PETERA, Mete NORMAN, (during the hui) Mangu AWARAU

KAUPAPA OF HUI

Initiate open and positive discussion regarding the proposed Post Settlement Governance Entity (Te Runanga O NgaiTakoto).

DISCUSSION

In April 2012, the majority of those who voted accepted the following:

1. The NgaiTakoto Deed of Settlement (relating to historical Treaty claims, and
2. Te Runanga o NgaiTakoto as the PSGE to receive and manage the Treaty Settlement assets for NgaiTakoto.

Te Runanga o NgaiTakoto (TRONT):

- The name of the organisation may have been approved by the majority of voters but the structure is still to be formed.
- When will this organisation commence, now?
- What skills are needed as Marae Representatives, as Trustees and as Directors on the company (ies) that will be formed from the TRONT?
- Let's learn from our own errors in the past and also of those iwi who have mismanaged their settlements.
- Hapu/whanau/beneficiaries require Information, Consultation and Participation.
- Hapu/whanau/beneficiaries want fair and just input.
- Hapu/whanau/beneficiaries want to know who is signing the cheques, post-settlement, and under whose authority.
- Has the TRONT received payments from the Government since the signing of the Deed of Settlement?
- Hapu/whanau/beneficiaries want to see the proposed Constitution, Deed of Trust in order to:
 - read it;
 - synthesise the contents;
 - agree, amend, add appropriate clauses;

- make sure the document reflects the wishes of Ngaitakoto and forms the strong foundations of TRONT;
 - implementation.
- Post Settlement signing, do hapu/whanau/beneficiaries want the NgaiTakoto Research Unit Trust (NTRUT) to complete the task and install themselves as the Initial Trustees of TRONT?
- Post Settlement signing, what is now the role of the Negotiators?
- Sadness that Iwi in Aotearoa are enmeshed in internal conflict when the source of this conflict commenced with grievances with the Crown.
- The proposed structure of the TRONT is based on western models. Iwi need to decide if they wish to follow this model or follow tikanga.
- Was there a formal invitation to the NRUT to attend this Hui and has a request for the Constitution been made to NRUT?
 - Hui-A-Iwi was called to initiate open and positive discussion regarding the proposed Post Settlement Governance Entity (Te Runanga O NgaiTakoto); and
 - request for the Constitution has been made by a Trustee on NRUT. The Constitution has not been sent to NRUT.
- Marae need to ;
 - begin collating skills base now and over the following 2 years before legislation is passed and the final settlements assets given over;
 - Marae representatives will understand that they will be representing nga uri o Ngaitakoto and not just the interests of their Marae;
 - find out how best can we support the TRONT Trustees so that we have a pro-active, innovative, informed, skilled (governance, policy, succession plans, business, tikanga etc) and open Board;
 - adjust the thinking processes we once employed and challenge ourselves individually and collectively to make this organisation successful and the vehicle for effective change;
 - remember that we are all whanau, we are Ngaitakoto tuturu and we need to move forward positively;
 - forgive, but not forget – we must move forward
 - become better communicators; talking to one another and not past one another; listening to what each other are saying; sharing and exchanging ideas without aggression;
 - practice what we preach.
- Where are we going to go – our vision?
- How are we going to get there – our mission?

Suggestions:

- Mahimaru and Waimanoni Marae need to write to NRUT making it clear that they want to come back on to the Board.
- NRUT office is open to give information and answer any queries whanau may have.
- Hold another Hui-A-Iwi once we have received more information.

- Chairs from each Ngaitakoto Marae bring proactive ideas from hapu/whanau/beneficiaries and meet and discuss matters pertaining to TRONT.

Action:

The general consensus of the whanau who were in attendance by the end of the hui (excluding the tamariki), agree to the following:

MOTION:

Lucella Norman will write to the NgaiTakoto Research Unit, on behalf of the attendees present at Mahimaru Marae on 15.11.12, request a copy of the Te Runanga O NgaiTakoto Constitution by 21.11.12.

Moved: Angela KEUNG Seconded: Polly UJDUR ***Carried***

Whanau, who are available on Friday 23.11.12, attend the NRUT Board hui as support for Mete Norman.

KARAKIA: Hohepa PETERA

Mary Peterson