TEACHING COUNCIL

NEW ZEALAND | Matatū Aotearoa

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Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act with respect to the constituency of our committees and panels. I can advise as follows.

1. How many committee or sub-committee the Council current have that involved lay members. The only one I found online is the Lay Member of Registration Panel, are there anything else? If there is one or more, please provide the current lay member's bio, and when their current term expired.

The lay members in the committees in our *Professional Responsibility* area of the Teaching Council are as follows:

A. Complaints Assessment Committee

Barbara Gilray

Barbara is a qualified social worker and principal advisor with the Social Workers Registration Board. Her background as a social worker and oversight of competence with the SWRB means she brings many important and relevant skills to the CAC process and the teaching profession. Barbara is of Ngati Porou descent and she is conversant in Te Reo Māori. Current contract expires 1/12/2021

Gail Gibson

Gail is a retired Police Officer, leaving Police after 37 years at the rank of Superintendent, having carried out many and varied roles, including frontline policing, training and management. She is now self-employed and has worked for Children's Action Plan with MSD as well as a range of other organisations. She is currently working with Massey University as a Relationship Manager and is the Chair of Governance Committee for Adult Learning Support Nelson. Contract expires 1/12/2022

Peter Cooke

Peter has extensive experience in proposing and reviewing professional standards. He has been a member of numerous local and national pharmacy and health sector advisory committees. He has sat alongside a District Court Judge on two Pharmacy Boards of Appeal and was appointed as a member of the Professional Conduct Committee of the Pharmacy Council of New Zealand, investigating complaints and reports of misconduct by New Zealand registered pharmacists. Peter is a Justice of the Peace. Contract expires 1/2/2022

Rachel Hansen

Rachel is a Communications and Research Consultant with the Advertising Standards Authority (ASA) and the New Zealand Press Council. She is the Director of Good Talks, which offers workshops, seminars and talks for organisations, schools, parents and youth. Rachel has previously worked as an Analyst,



Recruitment Coordinator and Programme Manager and was a member of the Community Birth Services Trust Board and Chair of a farmer's market. Contract expires 31/03/2021

Tania King

Tania is currently the Chief Operating Officer for the New Zealand International Commercial Pilot Academy. Tania was in the secondary school sector for over 20 years and was the Principal at Whanganui Girls' College. She has held various senior management positions, is passionate about the delivery of quality education through appropriate conduct and competencies. Contract expires 1/2/2022

B. Impairment Committee

Rachel Seale - retired Nurse. Current contract expires 30/09/2022.

In the Registrations area of the Teaching Council, the lay committee members are as follows:

C. Registration Panel

For further information about our Registration Panel and its functions, please see here https://teachingcouncil.nz/content/registration-panel-members. This site has details about how lay members are appointed.

At present, this panel currently has two lay members and ten registered teacher members. There is no differentiation between a registered teacher member and lay member in terms of their duties undertaken. The two lay members are:

Alison Hughes

Ali Hughes' background includes 30 years in the education sector; both senior secondary and tertiary, and as a provider of educator professional development services as CEO of CORE Education. Ali is now leading the Learner Experience Team for TANZ eCampus, a collaboration between eight NZ tertiary colleges to deliver online learning across NZ. She is based on Ōtautahi, Christchurch. Current contract expires 31/10/22.

Steve Elers

Dr Elers (Ngati Kauwhata) is a tertiary educator from Palmerston North and is employed as a senior lecturer at Massey University's School of Communication, Journalism and Marketing. He has an active interest in Māori education and his second master's degree is in educational leadership. Dr Elers has studied at universities in New Zealand and Australia and he is a former police officer (Western Australia). Current contract expires 31/10/20.

2. I would like to know the current lay member of the Registration Panel and his/her bio, how much the lay member been paid for attend meeting and are there any benefits he/she received. How the Council call for public express of interest to the Registration Panel and when the current lay member's term expired.

Please see above for the biography and expiry of term of the lay members of the Registration Panel.

Please note that all Registration Panel members are external to and are not employees of the Teaching Council of Aotearoa. The Council pays all Panel members a daily meeting fee for their services as follows:

Member meeting fee: \$385.00

Member Preparation Fee (2 hours for work that takes 4 hours): \$192.50



Member (Chair of meeting): \$475.00 Member (Chair of meeting) Preparation Fee (2 hours for work that takes 4 hours): \$237.50

This daily rate is paid by Teaching Council to the Member's institution/school/centre or company. The Member's institution/school/centre or company make the claim for the daily rate to reimburse their costs of releasing the Member to contribute to the Panel process. Members individually claim for related expenses such as taxis, parking, private car use which is then reimbursed by the Council. Panel members do not receive any additional benefits for the provision of their services.

The Council calls for public expressions of interest to the Registration Panel by advertisement on its website and newsletter when new members are required. Registered teachers can be nominated for membership onto the Registration Panel and interested lay members can make an application for membership. Please refer to the above link for more details, including position descriptions.

Members are appointed based on their individual knowledge, expertise and personal attributes, not on the basis of their membership or association with any one or more organisations.

Members of the Panel hold contracts for a period of up to three years. Panel members are either on a two year or three-year contract. Members may have their appointments extended for up to three years at a time, for a maximum of six consecutive years.

I hope this satisfies your enquiry. Please note that no information has been withheld from you. If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact Sandra Kelman, Government Relations & Information Manager who may be able to provide further assistance. Her email address is sandra.kelman@teachingcouncil.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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