

**Report to NZARE Council from the Pasifika Caucus  
12 March 2008**

Mālō e lelei. Greetings.

**Actions arising from December 2007**

1. Recommendation to change the membership status of Pasifika Caucus in the NZARE Council

At the NZARE AGM December 2007, the in-coming Pasifika Caucus member, Dr. Linitā Manu'atu put a recommendation to the Meeting to be tabled as General Business. The recommendation follows:

“In acknowledgement of the ‘Education in the Pacific’ Conference, I would suggest that the Pasifika Caucus should no longer be co-opted rather the appointment should share the status of the other Caucuses”.

The recommendation was declined by the Chairperson and he said that the change in the status of the Pasifika Caucus is a Constitutional matter.

The recommendation shall be taken to the NZARE Council for further discussion.

**Work in Progress for 2008**

1. The Pasifika Caucus 2008 aims to pick up on the work that Dr. Airini commenced in 2007 with changes and additions to be made as required. Refer to the Pasifika Caucus Report 1st December, 2007.

a. Explore the Pasifika caucus target getting NZARE slot at AERA 2008.

b. Aim to achieve Membership of Pasifika caucus target for 2008 (25) and set targets for 2009 (35) and 2010 (45).

c. Encourage Pasifika education researchers to submit articles to NZJES.

d. Encourage Pasifika educators to contribute to the Pasifika webpage in their first language and in English.

e. Continue to provide Pasifika-relevant input for INPUT 2008.

f. Prioritise the suggestions for future developments made in the Report.

2. A list of the names and contact details of the current membership would be useful for the Pasifika Caucus to contact for exchange of information and communication.

3. In anticipation of the 2008 NZARE Conference, the Pasifika Caucus looks forward to call upon its Membership to make a contribution that reflects the Pasifika peoples, their knowledges and education in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Mālō ‘aupito

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