

Executive End of year report 2017

Portfolio: Maori Executive

Name: Rose Gell

As part of your Executive contracts, you are required to complete an end of year report. The better the quality of your report, the more valuable it will be to the Association so please take the time to fill this in well but be honest, and please be concise. The information in your report will be used for **mawsa** annual report.

This is also an excellent opportunity to pass on your knowledge and recommendations to incoming Executive and strengthen Executive handover. By doing so, you are empowering the incoming **mawsa** Executive committee to build upon the achievements of your year better serving our members by growing as an Executive.

Introduction:

- As the Maori Executive for 2017 I have focused on strengthening the relationship between Mawsa and Kokiri Ngatahi, and advocating for Maori cultural avenues in the nursing cohort. Working in partnership with the Nursing Executive, we came together to create a mentoring programme called the Tuakana-Teina system where more experienced nursing students could mentor first year nursing students.

Key contacts:

- NZNO Te Rūnanga Taurira | Katelynne Potiki Clune
 - Connecting with this student allowed me to hear issues Maori students have been facing on campus. She now holds the title of TRT representative for Massey University so will be an integral contact for the incoming Maori Executive.
- Kokiri Ngatahi
 - Being a part of that club allowed a close connection to COCA Maori students and to engage with their activities.
- Kaupapa Maori Coordinator | Dale-Maree Morgan
 - I have learnt a lot from her regarding tikanga Maori. I recommend that all future Maori Executive liaise with her at any time for events and for support.

Communication

- Social Media
- Whanau room
- An improvement suggestion is to connect with Kokiri Ngatahi who have a wider outreach where you can feed into.

Committee(s):

- N/A

What events/activities did you undertake as part of your position?

- Nursing De-Stress Event | Organised as a response to mental distress experienced within the nursing cohort. The organisation and turnout was really good, definitely the venue needed to be bigger in saying so. Aspects to improve on would be better involvement with nursing advocates.
- Maori Nurses Hui | Meeting in the whanau room to discuss mentoring and support for 2018.
- Maori tutoring | tutoring of maori students regarding basics of te reo maori and crafting a pepeha.
- *Sean Pay was a key executive in the de-stress event.*

Support of the Executive/Association:

- I was a first aider at the MAWSA ball where I supported the MAWSA team.
- I have been involved with many events such as; BBQ's, de-stress events, mentoring, event planning and assisting with Maori events.
- In these events, I offered advice, planned and designed concepts.

Highlights:

- Definitely creating the Tuakana-Teina event, this has been a massive success within the nursing cohort and I look forward to seeing how it plays out in 2018.

Lowlights:

- Relationship with Kokiri Ngatahi. Improvements next year: always coordinate with the maori student association!

Suggestions for future events/activities:

- Tuakana-teina! Destress events and the ball!
- A pepeha tutorial!

Time Commitment:

- 6-7 hours a week

Further comments:

- Learn a karakia!