



# Te Whānau Tupu Ngātahi o Aotearoa

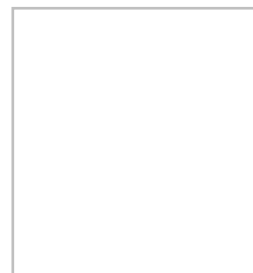
## Kaitiaki | Trustee Board nomination form

The successful nominee will need to complete a form for 'fit and proper person' and 'conflicts of interest' statutory declarations, which are required from governing members of a private training establishment (PTE) under the Education Act 1989 ("the Act")

**Policy (Pre-requisites-Remits from NZPF Conference 1993):**

- All Playcentre Aotearoa Officers and nominees (elected and/or appointed) to have completed Treaty of Waitangi workshops and participate in ongoing training in Treaty and Bi-Cultural related issues.
- Representatives reflect their commitment to Playcentre by choosing Playcentre as the main early childhood education for their children

Name:	Avis Stewart
Playcentre:	Kaikohe Playcentre
Rōpū Māori:	Te Waewae Koukou o Hau raro/Ngā Puāwai Pūriri Whakamaru
Region:	Mid Northland/Northern North Island



### EDUCATION AND SKILLS THAT WOULD ADD VALUE TO THE TRUSTEE BOARD

***What have you bi-culturally contributed to your Playcentre | Rōpū Māori?***

As per my [profile](#) - Being present and attending both. Developed flip chart with Te Reo / English and phonetics using Ngāpuhi dialect as mana whenua for the location of Playcentres. Delivered Te Reo and Te Tiriti o Waitangi workshops. Organised marae hui for 2 days covering kawa o te marae, tikanga o te marae, tikanga o Playcentre Aotearoa, education workshops

***What will you contribute to Te Whānau Tupu Ngātahi o Aotearoa?***

Passion, honesty and integrity. As per my profile the many roles I have had within Playcentre from the cleaner in my Centre to the Co-President role I currently hold over a 20+ year span. From taking our whangai tamaiti, to my 2 youngest children onto my mokopuna and now my mokopuna tuarua attending. My contribution is time and experience in the many roles from "grassroots" to governance and all in between. Understanding that I have chosen a Bi-Cultural ECE to be involved in, not to change the environment but to be inclusive of the environment. My contribution is to role model partnership and not to be confused that there is a dominate culture but one that has our whanau and tamariki at the heart of it.

***What will you contribute to the Trustee Board?***

My life experiences and a willingness to continue to learn. As stated in my profile, being the CEO of the Mid Northland Playcentre Association and the licensee of all of the Centres gave me awareness of compliance for Centres from Property issues (NZPF capital works, local council, MoE, ERO, MoH), Finance (audits and legislative duties), Education (PTE, Facilitator, Moderator, commentor and audit process and reporting) and Liaison (reporting on Centre wellness, MSD, Government departments) To work as a collective board in the best interest of the organisation. Having been on the Trustee Board pre-amalgamation has given me an understanding of the vast differences for the duties to the current Board. Employment of staff has taken a number of duties away from how the Board used to operate. We have staff that are employed to do a number of tasks particularly the Senior Line Management. The Trustee Board have minimal impact on employment relations as individual agreements and the CE are required, by law, to comply with legislation. The Trustee Board only have a reporting line to the CE. Trustee Board has access, via the CE, for any professional assistance they may require.

***Provide a brief non-Playcentre work, volunteer, education and life history prior to and/or during Playcentre***

As per my profile – plus Rugby League development and Manager of youth teams (local and National), Social Work, Project Coordinator for Waitangi Treaty Claim WAI 116 & WAI 258 taking the claim from the Deed of Settlement to Royal Assent where the claims were legislated in August 2017, representative to the local Sportville board. Held open Playcentre workshops for the local ECE or interested parties – Kohanga, Kindy and Private ECE’s attended these alongside members of Playcentre – this worked for our communities and it was voluntary our facilitators were all Playcentre “bred”

***Time Commitment – please comment on your ability to meet the time commitment for the Trustee Board Member role:***

Having been in this position, I do have the capacity to give time to this position – it is proven. The hours required for the Co-President can fluctuate and requires an increase around certain periods like audits but generally a 25 – 30 hour week would be the minimum requirement once we balance things out. My recommendation is that a Co-President **should** complete at least one term as a Trustee so that preparation and awareness is achieved. I have been on many Boards all operating differently and for different purposes, however the Chair or Vice/Co-Chair has not been someone that has been brought in “cold”. Like most Centres, where there is capacity people have a “working knowledge in the current environment” before advancing to a Senior position.

**REFERENCES**

Contact details for my referee’s remain private – Wanda Park for MNPA, Martha Selwyn for WAI 116 & Alaine Tamati Aubrey for TWTM and PA. Please contact me for further details, if required

Name of referee	Wanda Park, Martha Selwyn, Alaine Tamati Aubrey
Telephone	
Email	

If you have questions you wish to be directed to the nominee, please send them to the *Whare | House Administrator* to be forwarded on.