1. **Appointment of Chair** for the meeting – By general agreement, Kathryn Rowe was appointed as Chair of the meeting. Jacqui Knight/Anderley Middleton. CARRIED

2. **Present** – Peter Akeroyd, Elizabeth Attwood, Jill Davy, Barrie Frost, Darren Gedye, Sharon Hema, Jacqui Knight, Carolyn Krebs, Clair Macdonald, Stu MacPherson, Anderley Middleton, Margaret Newcombe, Mary Parkinson, Cosima Ray, Norm Twigge, and Stephanie Wynne, and observers Shirley Brander, Alan Emmerson, Lindsay Harvey, Nathan Hill, Charl Naudé, Nelson Pomeroy, Chloe Rose, Ngahiwi Smythe, Kate Young

3. **Apologies** – These were received from Jeff Knapp, Joanna Oliver and Beverley Sinclair. It was MOVED Mary Parkinson, SECONDED Peter Akeroyd that these be accepted. CARRIED

4. **Minutes of Annual General Meeting**, 27 January 2008. These had been circulated and it was agreed that they be taken as read. It was MOVED Mary Parkinson, SECONDED Carolyn Krebs that these be accepted as a true and correct record. CARRIED

5. **Matters Arising** – There were no matters arising.

6. **Chair’s Report (Edith Sharpe)**

   A report from Edith Sharpe, retiring Chairperson, was read to the meeting. It was MOVED Mary Parkinson, SECONDED Barrie Frost, that this be accepted.

   A motion of thanks and acknowledgement to the retiring Chair was MOVED by Anderley Middleton, SECONDED by Darren Gedye. CARRIED.

7. **Audited Accounts for 2007-2008**

   The Treasurer was not present, and had asked Jacqui Knight to expand on the audited accounts where necessary.

   Jacqui asked if there were any questions, but there were none. Accordingly, she MOVED that the accounts be received. Seconded Stephanie Wynne. CARRIED.

8. **Auditor’s Report**

   It was MOVED Jacqui Knight, SECONDED Clair MacDonald that this be accepted.
9. **Budget and annual subscriptions for 2009-2010**

Jacqui explained that the work of the MBNZT had increased to such an extent, that the trustees were investigating whether it would be possible to employ someone to do much of the work. Accordingly, two budgets had been proposed by the treasurer and tabled by the trustees.

There was discussion as to the possibility of creating an Endowment Fund, so that the MBNZT had its own funding stream.

After further discussion it was MOVED that Budget A be accepted for the forthcoming financial year, and that if suitable funding was received for a paid officer of $20,000, that the Trust move to Budget B immediately. MOVED by Anderley Middleton, SECONDED Peter Akeroyd. CARRIED.

10. **Elections of Members of the Board**

1. The resignations of Gill Jackson and Edith Sharpe had been tabled. It was MOVED that these be accepted with regret, SECONDED Darren Gedye. CARRIED. Jacqui would write to both Gill and Edith thanking them for their work.

2. Appointment of Trustees – Charlotte Beesley and Norm Twigge had offered their services as Trustees. Jacqui Knight MOVED, Anderley Middleton SECONDED that these be accepted. CARRIED.

The trustees were given leave to appoint a Chair and Secretary as they saw fit.

11. **Proposed Changes to Trust Deed**

11.2 “Resignation Deemed - Any member who fails to pay the annual subscription on or before the expiration of six months after it has become due shall be deemed to have resigned from membership of the Trust.”

This meant that technically members who had not renewed their subscription were still members until the end of December, and should be sent September and December newsletters. The Trustees suggested that this clause should be modified so that members were given two months’ leeway (instead of six), and it was MOVED Stephanie Wynne, SECONDED Anderley Middleton that this change be adopted. CARRIED.

13.1 “The Annual General Meeting of the Trust shall be held each year not later than four months after the end of the financial accounting year of the Trust at such place, date and time as the Board shall determine.”

It was difficult finalising the accounts and having them audited within a four-month period. Last year’s AGM had been held in January, and the 2009 conference/AGM was planned for April. If the clause was changed to nine months it would be much easier to accommodate all that was required, and would still give two-three months to implement the budget. It was
MOVED Clair MacDonald, SECONDED Anderley Middleton that this change be adopted. CARRIED.

12. **Projects for 2009-10** – the aims of the Monarch Butterfly NZ Trust were noted as:
   - find funding for a paid officer/office
   - raise public awareness and increase biodiversity
   - maintain, protect and increase biodiversity/protection-enhancement of MB and other Lepidoptera
   - increase opportunities for communities and public to do so
   - to enable research groups/individuals to carry out research/education

   Ideas for funding a paid officer would be welcomed and could be emailed to the trustees (trust@monarch.org.nz), or placed in the forum. Jacqui would start a topic. Elizabeth Attwood suggested approaching the Lions Clubs – but it was pointed out that funding applications were more likely to be accepted for projects, rather than for wages. This was MOVED Stephanie Wynne, SECONDED Darren Gedye, CARRIED

13. **General Business**

   Jacqui was asked about the location and timing of next year’s Conference and she explained that she did not think it would be possible until 2011. Stephanie Wynne suggested that the next Conference should be held in the South Island, but Anderley suggested it should be in the North Island, but a larger city to attract more people. Darren noted that transport was cheaper to a primary airport. Discussion could continue in the forum.

   **Endowment Fund** – MOVED that the trustees investigate creating an endowment fund for future projects, Darren Gedye/Clair Macdonald. CARRIED.

14. At 10.10am, there being no further business, Margaret Newcombe MOVED that the meeting be closed and this was SECONDED by Stu MacPherson. CARRIED.