

Proposal for Editorial Team, *Metanoia*

The goals of *Metanoia* are to: (i) facilitate discussion at the intersection of Christian theology and the public square (ii) provide an outlet and conversation for students and church leaders in Aotearoa New Zealand. These goals are achieved through a few outlets, predominantly our online publications (metanoianz.com), as well as, to a lesser extent, events, community, etc.

We invite submissions of work presenting a thoughtful and reasoned Christian message. This includes written, audio-visual, and static creative pieces. Contributions can include more serious work, lighter pieces, cultural analysis, reviews, satire, and cartoons. All submissions and content are reviewed by the editors who have final say over what is published.

This is a proposal to move the editorial structure of *Metanoia* as an online publication and entity from the prior model of two co-editors to an editorial board.

The purpose of an editorial board for *Metanoia* is as follows:

- to bring together a range of individuals who can advise on overall strategy and individual projects.
- to act as a ready team of potential reviewers with an active interest in the success of the journal.
- to assist in the promotion of the platform to both potential readers and to contributors.
- to offer contributions themselves.

It is proposed that the following people make up the new editorial board:

- Jaimee van Gernerden (JvG) - *Current editor*
- Andrew Clark-Howard (ACH) - *Current editor*
- Aidan Williams (AW) - *Proposed new member*
- Rebecca Hooper (RH) - *Proposed new member*
- Timote Naulivou (TN) - *Proposed new member*

Structure of the board:

The editorial board has a flat authority structure insofar as decisions are not made by any one member and insofar as there is no editor 'in-chief' over other members. Decisions are made by way of consensus between members of the board.

The board seeks to meet informally roughly once a month online or in person to review content calendar, diversity of thought/authorship/content, plan upcoming series/projects, review overall direction, and debrief any other items.

Between these meetings, communication via emails keeps each member the loop regarding ongoing projects and ensures content is being maintained within schedule.

Regarding roles and responsibilities:

Recruiting and collecting new content for the blog:

- All board members

Managing content diversity, new projects, and overall editorial direction:

- All board members

Managing the site itself and formatting blog posts (done via Squarespace):

- ACH

Editing written work for errata, style, format and readability:

- ACH
- JvG

Conceiving of and running annual *Metanoia* events:

- All board members?

Managing content calendar:

- ACH
- JvG
- All board members (in terms of syncing content and projects)

Collecting content and finding relevant contributions:

- AW
- RH
- TN

Managing *Metanoia* finances/expenses:

- JvG

Managing social media:

- Stephanie Chan (sub-board member)

In addition, each board member aims to produce two articles/pieces for the blog per year. Depending on capacity board members may well contribute more than this number, but that is up to the discretion of the member themselves.

Final comments:

This structure is intended to last for one year, starting April 2021, ending in December 2021. At the end of the year, we will revise this structure and renew commitments for 2022.

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