



Education Report: 2024 Manakura Award

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Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this paper is to seek your approval as Chair of the Ngarimu VC and 28th (Māori) Battalion Memorial Scholarship Fund Board (the Board) for the 2024 Manakura Award paper to be circulated to Board members next week. This paper is attached as Appendix 1.

Summary

2. As discussed, the Board's agreement on the 2024 Manakura Award recipient needs to be made at our next Board Hui in Gisborne on Friday 28 July at 10.30am.
3. The decision needs to be made so the Secretariat can work on the Awards location which usually takes place in the first quarter of the following year. Preparation for the 2024 wider Awards event will begin immediately after the July Board Hui.
4. This Board paper asks Board members to approve the Terms of Reference and gets this process underway to meet timelines required.

Proactive Release

1. **agree** that the Ministry of Education release this briefing in full once it has been considered by you.

☒ **Agree** / ☐ **Disagree**

Recommended Actions

The Ministry of Education recommends you:

- a. **agree** to the circulation of the 2024 Manakura Award Board paper in the week starting 15 May 2023 by the Ngarimu VC and 28th Maori Battalion Memorial Scholarship Fund Board Secretariat.

☒ **Agree** / ☐ **Disagree**

Suze Strowger
**Kaitohu ā Motu – Te Pou Tuarongo
Secretariat of the Board**

11/05/2023



Hon Kelvin Davis
**Associate Minister of Education (Māori
Education)**

14/05/2023

Annexes

The following are annexed to this paper:

Annex 1: 2024 Manakura Award

Proactively Released

2024 Manakura Award

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to set out the background to the Manakura Award and provides 2024 terms of reference for Board agreement. This paper is circulated as an out of cycle Board paper to ensure that corresponding decisions on next year's Awards location can be made.

Recommendations

1. It is recommended that the Board

a) **Note** that 2024 is a Manakura Award year

Noted

b) **Agree** to the Terms of Reference

Agree / Disagree

Background

2. The term 'Manakura' has been used by the Board since its inception in 2007. The name given to the award by well-respected kuia, represents a person who displays qualities of prestige, influence, mana, and leadership.

3. The name was developed in consultation with Māori language experts to obtain their understanding of Manakura:

It is an award that immediately captures one's attention and causes one to think deeply. The mana and kura together creates an interesting juxtaposition and speaks of a very special type of leadership. It references the moteatea Pinepine te Kura which is essentially an oriori (lullaby) sung by grandparents to mokopuna (grandchildren) about the latent potential within the child which has been passed down from their ancestors.

4. Nominees are sought triennially from Ngarimu VC and 28th (Māori) Battalion Scholarship Fund Board Members.

5. 9(2)(b)(ii)

6. At the 9 December 2020 Ngarimu Board meeting the Board decided that for the 2021 Manakura Award, a total of 9(2)(b)(ii)

. This decision reflected the desire of the Board to manage its finances reflecting the Covid-19 environment at the time as well as provide funds for the Vocational Awards.

7. In 2020 the Board decided on one recipient for the 2021 Award - Tā Wira Gardiner, who on acceptance gifted his 9(2)(b) Award to Te Roopu Whakamaumahara o Whangaparaoa Charitable Trust.

8. It was discussed at the previous Board hui in Rotorua, that the location of 2024 Awards event could take the Manakura Award recipients turangawaewae into account.

Manakura 2024 : Terms of Reference - DRAFT

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Eligibility

4. The Manakura Awards are granted to individuals of Māori descent. Ideally candidates should have whakapapa or strong connections to the Māori Battalion and have been involved in Māori Battalion service-related activities.

Amount of Award

5. 9(2)(b)(ii) [REDACTED]
6. Any increase in this award would impact on other scholarship amounts and would need approval from the Financial Standing Committee.
7. 9(2)(b)(ii) [REDACTED]

Nomination process

8. Board members must provide the following information on their nominees using Form A,
 - a. How the nominee has demonstrated the characteristics of the 28th Māori Battalion (Appendix A).
 - b. What work have they done in the past to promote the 28th Māori Battalion kaupapa or otherwise support Māori success.
 - c. What work are they likely to do in the future to promote the 28th Māori Battalion kaupapa or otherwise support Māori success.

Assessment Process

9. Nominations will be assessed by Board members using the scoring system on Form A which will be submitted to the Secretariat by the agreed time.
10. The Secretariat will use the scores to determine the top five nominees. These nominees will be presented for the Board for decision-making at the July Board hui.

Responsibilities of the Award winners

11. Once the Board has agreed who to offer the award to, the recipient must agree to the following conditions before receiving the funds:
 - a. Agree to attend at least one Ngarimu or 28th Māori Battalion focussed event within 24 months of receiving the award (ie the annual Award Ceremony run by the Ngarimu and 28th Māori Battalion, or another local event honouring Battalion veterans).
 - b. Agree to provide an impact statement to the Board within 24 months.

12. 9(2)(a)

2024 Timeframe

13. May 2023 - Special Paper circulated for Board members to agree to the 2024 Manakura Terms of Reference. Online hui can be arranged to discuss if required by members.
14. 10 June 2023 - nominations close, additional research commissioned if required and Nomination Pack compiled by Secretariat.
15. 14 June 2023 - Pack circulated to Board members who wish to assess all nominations. Members complete assessments and send back to Secretariat by 20 June 2023 and overall top five scoring nominees are determined by the Secretariat.
16. 20 July 2023 - Board papers are circulated containing the top five nominations and their scores for Board hui discussion and decision.
17. 28 July 2023 – Board hui with confidential decision of recipient
18. 15 November 2023 - final Board hui of the year. Confirmation of Awards location and recipient is informed by the Chair.

Nominee name _____

Nominated by

How does the nominee demonstrate characteristics of the 28 th Māori Battalion? (Refer to Appendix A)	Yes / No (to be assessed by the Board)
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To be completed by nominator

What work have they done in the past to promote the 28 th Māori Battalion kaupapa or otherwise support Māori success?	1	2	3	4	5
	(to be assessed by the Board)				

To be completed by nominator

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(to be assessed by the Board)					
To be completed by nominator					
Total Score					/ 10

Assessor Comments:

APPENDIX A

Characteristics of the Māori Battalion (as agreed by the Board 2019)

- **Mātauranga** - Demonstrates high performance and achievement.
- **Ngā kawa, ngā tikanga me te reo Māori** - confident in identity and culture. Can demonstrate capability in te reo Māori or te reo ā-iwi.
- **Te Ao Māori me te Ao Pākehā** - The 28th (Māori) Battalion was renowned for, amongst other things, its courage, vigour, and competence. These are some of the qualities that applicants may call on to confidently walk in two worlds. They will have insight into what is required to achieve Māori success (as defined by Māori) and, also the passion and strength to deliver those requirements.
- **Whanaungatanga** - Grounded among their people. Know their whakapapa, have been nurtured by whānau and are well connected to their community.
- **Rangatiratanga** - Display leadership qualities of adaptability, perseverance, courage, and mana. Can demonstrate the ability to pull people together, consult and delegate. They are forward looking, focused and can show clear pathways to successfully realising their aspirations.
- **Manaakitanga** - Provided support to their community and know themselves and where they fit. Supported their community, whānau, hapū, iwi in some way and can show how this support was given.
- **Whakaritenga** - It can be difficult to operate in te ao Māori at a high level because whānau and hapū expectations can conflict with work, sport, or other commitments. Show examples of how they have worked through conflicting priorities in order to balance all their undertakings.
- **Te Wero** - The 28th (Māori) Battalion challenged conventions and took on new, leading-edge jobs. They were a unique unit. Discovering a new field or challenging existing ideas, conventions or expectations and may have overcome fear or obstacles. Can demonstrate passion for chosen field.