



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

DRAFT MINUTES **MEETING OF THE COUNCIL** **12th March 2012, 5.15pm**

1. **Attendance:**

Apologies: Wendy Dekkers, Alan Porter,

Chair: Barrie Baker

Present: Sallie Davies, Don Cook, Deb Beresford, Eve Broadley, Ian Jarvis, Lois Joll, Peter Farr, Annemie McAuliffe.

2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held on 6th February 2012

Don Cook moved that the minutes be accepted; seconded Barrie Baker; carried.

Business Arising

To be dealt with during meeting if necessary.

Sallie Davies requested that if it were possible, the meeting dates for the year be settled. Barrie Baker suggested that after the AGM the new committee will set the dates in conjunction with dates suitable for Principal and coinciding with other meetings held in the School. Lois Joll will email the dates.

3 **Correspondence**

3.2 Secretary:

A thankyou letter to Perth Modernian Society from Alison Elsom for the bursary for her son Joshua.

3.2 Executive Officer:

A thankyou letter from Malcolm McCusker.

Invitation from the Australian National Museum of Education to register the School museum AssociationsInfo.

3.2 Standing Committees Specific:

4. **Communications Report**

Report sent electronically to committee members.

5.1 Membership

Since the Report there have been another 15 payments for 4-year memberships.

Direct Deposit Records. A proper system needs to be set up. If a membership name or number is there, records are there but unfortunately there is one for a cash deposit. Don mails receipts for those who come by cheque. Eve will highlight and photocopy the transaction and pass it on to Don who will email it to Ian.

New Members and 4-year members

New members are NEW members.

4-year members, if they have previously been members are not new members but Contributing members.

ACTION. Ian will re do the form to set it out.

5.2 Magazine

Deadline 25th May 2012.

Sallie Davies has been in communication with Graham Hunt, previously a journalist and now involved with a media production company. He is prepared to do the magazine this year. Eve said that Janie Binet is still prepared to help with the Magazine.

5.3 e-Newsletter

ELK software developed the portal to give a newsletter facility. As the company has been sold to Sratatel, there have been issues with the newsletter and a new newsletter package may be needed to overcome the problem. If revised, no cost; if new, cost.

ACTION. Representatives from the Committee will meet with Stratatel to ascertain whether a revised or new version will meet requirements.

5.4 Marketing

5.5 Portal

5.6 Consolidated Database

Reviewing and updating of database records is continuing.

6. **Finance and Fundraising Reports**

Report sent electronically to committee members.

Sphinx Foundation

As a result of the Board requesting that the Council of the Society register it for GST, Barrie Baker put the motion:

"That the Council of the Society register for GST."

Don Cook seconded. Carried.

Scholarships for Boarders. Barrie Baker said that parents must find in excess of \$8000 to board their children at the City Beach facility so it is a real area of need to help support those students.

6.1 Operational Finance Report

E. Broadley tabled the report. It incorporated the cash flow from 6th February 2012 as well as the financial statement to the 31st December 2011.

Balance as at 12th March 2012 - \$17933.64

Eve Broadley reported that:

Overall our financial situation had deteriorated by approximately \$4000.

Merchandise will be recouped.

Insurance costs - \$1250.00.

Computer and communication costs.

Membership badges.

Nearly \$6000 in membership has come in.

ACTION: Ian Jarvis and Eve to sort out where the deposit has come from. (See Communications)

6.2 Sphinx Foundation Financial Reports

Peter Farr gave the Finance Report for the Sphinx Foundation.

The Scholarship fund.

Recent Appeal Stage II. 45 donors have pledged \$23,000 +. Peter is ringing those who give over \$1000 to say thankyou. We have done well thanks to the quality of the database maintained by Ian and Sallie.

So far, \$212,000 in donations and pledges has been raised. The overall aim is still \$490,000 with the present appeal aiming for \$100,000 to fund two new Year 8 Scholarships.

A substantial amount of our investments are in a Cash Management Account earning 8% per Annum and a sum of 20,000 is now invested in shares. The Foundation has registered itself to place investments through stockbroker D J Carmichael. Eve Broadley is there but all is above board.

Scholarship and bursary winners are appreciative. A scholarship just refers to gaining an entry place and an opportunity to attend the school, but no stipend. Year 10 winners will fill out an evaluation form at the end of year 12.

amount of time he has put in to preparing these brochures.

6.3 Historical & Museum Committee Financial Report

Alan Porter tabled the Financial Report for the period 6th February 2012 to 9th March.

An Electronic Screen has been purchased for the History Centre for which the H & M will pay.

Historically the H & M accounts have not been part of the Auditing process but should be included as a subsidiary for the auditor's report for 2013.

Balance as at 12th March 2012 - \$12781.68

Ian Jarvis moved that the Financial Reports be accepted; seconded Don Cook; carried.

7. Historical and Museum Committee Report

Report sent electronically to committee members.

Sallie Davies has spoken with both Professor David Black and Dr. Brian Shepherd about how to embrace and engage the students between the two Scholarship eras.

It is hoped that the MOSAIC database will be available to be demonstrated on the 30th April when the History Centre is opened.

Website. Don Cook will endeavour to update H & M on the Website. A quality assurance and evaluation of the website is needed.

Annemie McAuliffe has offered to help when she returns from holiday.

A link to the School newsletter is needed.

ACTION: Ian Jarvis will look at that when he is looking at the Society's newsletter

Editorial Policy.

Peter Farr moved:

"That Council appoints a subcommittee to evaluate the Portal and report back to the Committee in a few months time" Seconded Barrie Baker. Carried.

8. Functions Report

A.G.M -Monday 30th April.

Mail out preparation for 280 who are not on email. Check addresses, window faced envelopes, nomination forms, etc.

ACTION: Barrie Baker to prepare email to be given to Ian Jarvis so that it can be electronically merged.

ACTION: Eve Broadley to organise the drinks, including beer and soft drink for 35-40.

ACTION: Deb Beresford to retrieve wine from EO office and put drinks in fridge.

ACTION: Barrie Baker to retrieve memorabilia and man phone for Don Cook while he is away, 28th March to 24th May 2012.

9. Executive Officer's report

Report sent electronically to committee members.

Substantial response to four-year membership mail out.

Procedure set in place with Cheryl Lindorff to inform us of any reunions booked through her as facility booking officer.

Class of 1959 reunion planned for October to celebrate their 70th birthdays.

Sundowner for Graduates of 2000 to 2009 will be held in mid semester break. To be published in E-vent newsletter. Firm date soon.

AGM. Confirmed booking for buildings and checked wine and spoken to Diane at the Refectory.

Don will be absent from 28th March to 24th May 2012 and gives apologies for AGM and missed meetings.

10. Principal's Report

The Principal, Lois Joll tabled her Report.

School Life. Highlights so far have been the School Ball held at the Pan Pacific Hotel, The House Swimming Carnival that will now lead up to the Interschool carnival. The Year 10 River cruise, a full school assembly attended by local member John Hyde M.L.A. and

success in the Boys Cricket team. Lois was invited to attend Bond University to look at the University and opportunities for our students. This coincided with a National Conference held there on Happiness and its causes.

Parents and the Community. Morning teas have been held to welcome parents of Year 8 students. Parents of Year 11 students have attended Parent Information Nights to be told of WACE requirements, support strategies, Curriculum Council Awards and scholarship information.

Building and Grounds. The Heritage Council has finally approved the revised plan for the Thomas Street Gazebo. Lois explained that the Education Department has complete control for NEW buildings but on a Heritage listed site like ours Palassis designed the Gazebo.

Friends of Perth Modern School. The School is establishing support groups for other areas of the school. E.g. Music has had a support group for many years. Recent graduates will be identified and approached to talk to students. **Newsletter.** Alison Woodman will get information on recent graduates to include in the Newsletter.

B.E.R. Lois explained that no secondary schools received Federal Government assistance, only those with year 7's

12. General Business

Constitution.

ACTION: Barrie Baker will convene a committee to investigate making amendments to the constitution. It was suggested that a lawyer with expertise in this area be approached. Barrie Baker will contact Graham Young.

Meeting times. Lois will email dates to Barrie Baker.

NEXT MEETING

WHEN: Monday T.B.A
WHERE: HISTORY CENTRE, HAMILTON STREET
TIME: 5.15 p.m.

