



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE HISTORY CENTRE 16:15 MONDAY 29 August 2016

ATTENDEES; Peter Farr (President); Sallie Davies (H&MC); Eve Broadley (Treasurer); Ian Jarvis (Communications); Deb Beresford (Secretary); Dr Irene Froyland (Awards/Reunions/ School Board Representative); Barrie Baker (FinanceA/Functions); Barbara Mallett; Prof. Geoff Soutar; Lois Joll (Principal)

President, Peter Farr, welcomed Emeritus Professor Geoffrey Soutar BEc (UWA), MA PhD (Cornell), FAIM, FAMI, FMIS, FANZAM to the meeting. Geoff's exceptional skills will be of great value to the Council.

APOLOGIES: Annemie McAuliffe (V/Pres/Reunions) leave of absence; Ed Lazarus (Membership)

ITEM 1. INVITED SPEAKER: None.

ITEM 2. IDENTIFICATION OF NEW GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS to be added to the Agenda.
None

ITEM 3: PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Lois Joll (Principal) tabled her report.

Year 12 Students have returned to school to undertake final examinations preparation and celebrate the last of their school days. A total of 21 WACE examinations are being conducted at the school, commencing Monday 7 November and concluding on November 25.

Perth Modern School was ranked eighth nationally in NAPLAN testing for Literacy and Numeracy. P.M.S. was the only school outside of N.S.W. in the top 20 secondary schools. *The Australian* newspaper ran an article featuring Mod in their "Your School" lift out.

P.M.S has been announced as a finalist in the Governor's STEM Awards. A STEM awards panel will be visiting the school for further assessment, visiting classrooms and talking to staff and students before an event at Government House, where winners of the various categories will be announced. Fantastic results have been achieved in ICAS testing, with three medals achieved in English and eight in Science.

Junior and Intermediate concerts gave students the opportunity to demonstrate their music skills in front of appreciative audiences.

The 2017 Head Boy is Sagar Badve and Head Girl is Naomi Cha. Student Councilors have attended a Student Council Camp where they participated in planning events for next year.

40 Year 9 students are attending a Civics Tour of Canberra while other Year 9 students are attending a three-day camp at Ern Halliday Recreation Centre in Hillary's.

Many students are to be acknowledged and congratulated on their achievements. Brothers Radheya and Rahul Jegatheva were part of a team representing Australia in France for the World Youth Scrabble Championships. Year 8 student Tina Soodi Shoar won a medal in the Australian Mathematics Competition.

Head of Languages, Jenny Spearman has retired, as has Jo Guthrie who worked in the Front Office for 16 years. Front Office staff member Kaylene Nilson was a finalist in the WA State Registrars' Association Awards in the Outstanding Administrative Support Officer Category.

The Department of Education has confirmed a budget allocation of \$580,000 for restoring the roof of the Beasley Building. Unfortunately this will not cover the painting of deteriorating woodwork, which ideally could have happened while the scaffolding is in situ.

ITEM 4: MINUTES OF Ordinary meeting of Council 1 August 2016 were accepted with the following amendments.

7.3 The amount should be \$1100 instead of \$11000.

9.3 Emeritus Professor Lesley Parker will be giving the Annual Oration.

7.2 **ACTION 145** iCommo instead of iconnex

Moved. Eve Boadley. Seconded Barrie Baker. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

4.1 ACTION ITEMS

See ACTION SHEET

The following items have been deleted or completed.

Item 105. Completed. Forward notices about music and drama performances were placed on Facebook and e-newsletters for alumni for this year.

Item 120. Completed. Public Liability Insurance (\$691) and Fidelity Associations liability (\$905) have been paid.

Item 125. Completed. Ian will continue to work with the MOSAIC personnel to remedy problems.

Item 135. Completed. Student who paid for membership has been identified.

Item 136. Completed. Staff member Mark Temov has the photos taken by the students at the Annual Reunion.

Item 140. Completed. Sallie Davies has received a copy of the speech given by Malcolm McCusker when he officially launched the new book.

Item 142. Completed. Tasks allocated at the annual Reunion were completed.

Items discussed

Item 114 General Business: Memorabilia: At the meeting on 1st August 2016 it was agreed that only ties and watches be provided as memorabilia. The school is also keen that we continue to offer ties and watches and Lois has decided that the School will arrange all of this and send us any profit. All they need is the supplier, which in the past was Promo Select. Barbara Mallett has given the supplier information to Val Furphy. In the meantime there has been a suggestion for scarves to be investigated as an alternative for girls.

ITEM 5: CORRESPONDENCE:

Inward Correspondence.

5.1 Emails between the President and Professor Lesley Parker regarding the Annual Oration

Outward Correspondence.

5.2 None

ITEM 6: COMMUNICATIONS REPORT. Report circulated electronically.

Jarvis e-XMod Database (JED)

Two new email addresses have been set up for the History Centre (history@perthmoderniansociety.org.au) and Archive Room (archive@perthmoderniansociety.org.au)

MOSAIC

Some longstanding issues with the Mosaic software are still awaiting resolution with IST.

NEWSLETTERS

In discussion, frequency and length of e-newsletter has become an issue. If we have the assistance of students we should aim for 5 shorter e-newsletters per year.

e-Newsletter Deadline **20 November** for copy for final e-Newsletter for the year for publication on **1 December**.

Proposed dates for 2017

- 20 February to publish March 1.
- 20 April to publish May 1.
- 20 August to publish Sept 1.
- 20 November to publish December 1.

Magazine for 2017

Deadline for copy is 31 May 2017 for publication in late July. It is expensive to **print and** mail out to the ~230 people who do not have access to email.

Annual Report 2017

Amendment needed to structure diagram

Compiler needed.

Deadline for draft document March 2017 Council Meeting

MEMBERSHIP

Perth Modernian Society - Member Changes From 26-Aug-16 to 19-Oct-16

There are 6 new Contributing members, 2 renewals of membership and 7 new Registered Members.

ITEM 7: FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING.

7.1 FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT: Report circulated electronically.

There has not been a meeting of the Board of the Sphinx Foundation this month.

Due diligence is occurring for a new person joining the Board.

~~Two New foreign language~~ Year 10 Academic Excellence scholarships have been endowed for Languages, and Economics/Accounting.

Another generous previous donor has foreshadowed a contribution in 2017.

Since the last meeting there has been no change to the Sphinx Foundation funds and ~~~~~\$1,700 has been received by the Sphinx Scholarship Fund account.

7.2 PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY – OPERATIONAL FINANCE:

Eve Broadley presented the Bank balance statement for 24/10/2016 \$19,689.06

Phone. **ACTION (145)** icommo (phones) need to be followed up for direct debit.

Annual Reunion. Eve has calculated that a profit of \$1,300 was made from the Annual Reunion.

The Historical and Museum Committee received donations totaling \$325.62.

Insurance. Fidelity Associations Liability Insurance needs to be invoiced to the Sphinx Foundation.

7.3 SPHINX FOUNDATION FINANCE REPORT.

Peter Farr distributed a Table to the Council showing the various scholarships and bursaries available for students. It is expected that the Sphinx Scholarship Fund will support a record number of approximately 50 students in 2017.

\$7,840 in franking credits received will be used to help fund scholarships. The Scholarship Fund has \$42,304 in the bank today and ~~~~~\$45,000 is needed by February to cover all scholarships and bursaries.

7.4 HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE – OPERATIONAL FINANCE

Financial Report for the period 22nd August to 16th October 2016. Bank valance \$13,028.51

ITEM 8: HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE. Report circulated electronically.

The dDisplays attracted a lot of interest at the Annual Reunion. Career/Employment lists were generated from JeD (the data base) for one of the displays.

Social Science classes are being organized to visit the History Centre this term.

Bob Johnson has joined with Steve Monterosso to work on the DGR status, which is moving ahead quickly now. Peter Farr has expertise in this area and is willing to be contacted when necessary.

Professor Geoffrey Quail OAM from Monash University is writing a biography on Old Modernian, Sir Arthur Amies. The History Centre and Archives are providing information.

ITEM 9: FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE. Report circulated electronically.

9.1 Annual Reunion Sunday 11th September 2016.

Council reviewed the Annual Reunion.

Everything ran smoothly. A profit was made. Many visited the History Centre. The 1956 cohort felt more included by seating them separately but closer to the main group.

ACTION (146). A summary is needed of the steps in running the Annual Reunion. When done, documents may be added to the database.

Food. Better options? Dietary preferences?

Time, A suggestion that it be held in the evening instead of a lunch was made. This is not practical, as students have already done 2 performances on the previous nights. The Annual Reunion is the last time they will all play together with the Year 12's. The Reunion has been part of their ritual as well and afterwards ~~→~~they have their celebrations.

Attracting younger members. Perhaps a Sundowner could be organized for new and younger members earlier in the year. **ACTION (147).** A list of students who have joined will be given to Barrie Baker who will contact them to see what they would like.

ACTION (148). A list of the new members will be given to Irene Froyland who will send them an email congratulating them on becoming new members.

Agenda item for February Meeting. There should be an action plan for a drive on new young members.

9.2 Annual General Meeting 2017. Report circulated electronically

Barrie Baker suggested that in setting the date for the AGM 2017, we have to be cognizant of:

- School holidays Fri 7 April – Sun 23 April 2017
- ANZAC Day Tue 25 April 2017, so this hectic and broken week is not a good time for the Principal, etc.
- Incorporated bodies with 31 December FY end date must hold their A.G.M's before 30 April any year.

Barrie suggested that for the above reasons the date should be 3rd April 2017. All agreed.

9.3. Annual Oration

The date for the Annual Oration has been changed to 10 November at 9.30 a.m. Unfortunately Adrian Fini was unavailable this year so Lesley Parker has kindly agreed to take his place in giving the Annual Oration.

ITEM 10. REUNION COORDINATION REPORT (formerly Executive Officer Report): Report circulated electronically.

A school reunions timetable has been sent to all Councilors

ITEM 11: REPORT FROM SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE SCHOOL BOARD

No report.

There has not been a Board meeting since the last report.

ITEM 12: GENERAL BUSINESS.

Modernian Honour Boards.

Sallie Davies reported that a time is being organized for inscribing the Modernian Fellows' Honour Board in the McCusker room. The other Honour Boards will be put up in the History Centre.

Alison Woodman will be presented with her award of Honorary Member of the Perth Modernian Society at the morning tea given for volunteers in December.

ITEM 13: DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 28 November 2016

All meetings to commence at 16.15

MEETINGS FOR 2017

To be advised

MEETING CLOSURE: 18.20

ACTION No.	MEETING DATE	CLASSIFICATION	MINUTES SECTION #	ACTION DESCRIPTION	DUE DATE	STATUS at date of most recent mtg	COMMENTS	ACTIONEE
114	23/11/2015	General Business: Memorabilia	12	Council should decide on the merit of purchasing and selling memorabilia	15/2/2015	In Progress	Minimum order of 25 for watches. Ties have been ordered. Investigate suitable scarves. Mieke has a silk scarf that Barbara will check. School will sell items.	BM, Mieke
127	9/5/2016	Finance: Perth Modernian Society Operational; Membership	7.2	A reminder should be sent out to those who have not renewed their Contributing membership	13/6/2016	In Progress	The names will be provided and reminders sent out. Time of year to send them to be determined.	EL, IJ
134	13/6/2016	Communications: e-newsletter	6	Suggestion that interested computer literate students assist in the production of the e-newsletters	1/8/2016	In Progress	In 2017 clubs will be running on Wednesdays. Interested students may choose to assist with the e-newsletter.	PF, IJ, LJ
138	13/6/2016	General Business: Election of Office Bearers	12	Future Vice President and President required for Council	1/8/2016	In Progress	Geoff Soutar is prepared to take over as Vice President in February.	PF
139	1/8/2016	Principals Report	3	Promotion of book "A Celebration of contribution: Tales of the courage, commitment and creativity of Modernians 1911-1963" To members,	29/8/2016	In Progress	A link about the book has been put on our website. 6 purchased through Trybooking. Some sold to Year 12's. Bill Marmion MLA has purchased one and the DG has been given one.	IJ, KW
145	29/8/2016	Finance. Perth Modernian Society: Operational Finance	7.2	Account fee each month for phone should be paid by direct debit	25/6/2016	In Progress	IConnex (phones) need to be followed up for direct debit.	IJ, EB
146	24/10/2016	Functions: Annual Reunion	9.1	Summary of steps on running Annual Reunion needed.	28/11/2016	In Progress	Procedure Manual on running Annual Reunion. When completed can be added to the database.	BB, DB, BM

147	24/10/2016	Functions:	9	Investigate what sort of function would appeal to new young members	28/11/2016	In Progress	A list of new young members will be provided so they can be contacted for ideas.	BB,IJ
148	24/10/2016	Functions	9	Recognize and welcome new young members when they join the Society	28/11/2016	In Progress	A list of new young members will be provided so they can receive an email welcoming and congratulating them on becoming members of the Society.	IF

