

# Rotary Club of Berry Inc - Board Minutes 16th January 2018

Meeting opened by President Trevor Barker at 7.11pm.

#### Attendance:

Trevor Barker Paul Andersen Deb Mainsbridge Bill Seelis Grahame Sweeney

Haseena Tweddle Peter Stinson John Brentnall

# **Apologies:**

Rob Haines, Chris Rowland

#### **Guests:**

Peter Gregory, Ian Nicol

# **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Deb Mainsbridge moved a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated 21/11/2017. The motion was Seconded by Grahame Sweeney.

With no amendments the motion was carried.

# **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

#### **North Street Development:**

Nothing further to report at this stage, waiting for further information re the plans.

**ACTION: Ongoing** 

### **Town Clock:**

Haseena reported that the clock was still at Bomaderry Sheet Metal. Bill advised that he had spoken with John Wells and he is in agreement that we can remove the Wisteria from the surrounding arch. It would be considerate to arrange a progress payment to Bomaderry Sheet Metal for works completed to date.

Haseena to contact Guy and Ken to arrange a working bee to clear the area

ACTION: Guy to continue with progress

#### **Love Mercy:**

John Brentnall received an email from the Rotary Club of Kiwatule - Love Mercy will visit the site at Barr where the 'wells' will be sunk.

The RC of Kiwatule is asking for an extension from 15/1/2018 as they have been unable to contact the project manager of Love Mercy. Some members are considering attending Uganda for the hand-over of funds for the project.

**ACTION: Ongoing** 

# **Constitution and Bylaws:**

The Bylaws are completed and changes were passed at the AGM in Dec 2017. The notice to change the Constitution to be re-noticed, Trevor to attend to appropriate requirements for proxy voting etc

ACTION: Trevor to check appropriate requirements.

# **Berry Welcome Sign:**

Nothing further to report.

**ACTION: Ongoing** 

### **Shree Manjushree School Project:**

We have been advised that the funds have arrived and have been acknowledged. Ken Hutt to advise on further update.

**ACTION: Ongoing** 

# **Walkway Project:**

Paul has completed the letter to Ken Hill. A copy will be forwarded to the Secretary.

ACTION: No further action required.

#### **Donation Structures:**

Nothing further to report

ACTION: No further action required.

# **Partners Badges:**

Deb will purchase badges in the near future as a new member badge is now required

ACTION: Deb to action purchase.

### Old Shed:

This is a work in progress, as the ownership is unknown, we are unsure if the shed is owned by the RMS or Fulton Hogan.

**ACTION: Ongoing** 

# **Chris Neale - Nepal Project:**

Chris has been contacted however a suitable date is still to be advised. Details of the project has been sent by email. Waiting of further advice.

**ACTION: Peter Stinson** 

#### **Shelter Boxes:**

Letter of thanks and Certificate of appreciation has been completed

ACTION: No further action required.

### **Rotary Emergency Services Community Awards:**

Nothing further to report due to Chris not in attendance

### **Michael Davey Cheque:**

The cheque has been paid

ACTION: No further action required

### **Alumni Officer:**

ACTION: Peter Stinson - ongoing

# **Queens Baton Relay:**

Will be held at Nowra on Monday 5th February 2018. Deb to respond to letter and advise the club of plans to celebrate Ken Hutt and Mick Vassallos' run with the Baton.

ACTION: Deb to advise Club

### **Submission by Paul Andersen for Travelling Irrigator:**

Paul Andersen read a submission report for funding of a Irrigator from the profits of the Small Farm Field Day. The report is attached.

Paul moved a motion to subsidise \$2000 as a contribution to the purchase of a Travelling Irrigator to either Turf Co or the Parks Management Trust (to be advised) as a gesture of goodwill.

The motion was seconded by Haseena Tweddle.

# **Submission - Continued:**

A discussion progressed and agreed that the funds would be paid from the Community Account. The Board agreed in principal to subsidise the payment of \$2000 for the purchase of a Travelling Irrigator. Further details to be bought to the Board. The motion was carried.

Paul Andersen moved a motion for a submission to allocate funds for the purchase of Animal Penning. these would be prefab panels 2.1m x 1.1m with interlocking pins. They would be used especially for the Berry Small Farm Field Day Animal Enclosures. If the Penning would not be utilised in the future there would be problem re selling them. The request was for 20 panels. The motions was seconded by Grahame Sweeney, with no amendments the motion was carried.

Paul thanked the Board for their support.

#### **President's Report:**

Trevor thanked the Board for their support over the past 6 months and believed the Club meetings have been relaxed and enjoyable events with excellent programmes and are being supported well.

# **Secretary's Report:**

- Cert of Appreciation End Polio Now
- Temp Food Permit Aust Day
- Letter of thanks to anonymous donation completed

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Bill Seelis moved a motion to accept the Treasurers report. The motion was seconded by Haseena Tweddle. With no amendments the motion was carried.

The BSFFD profit is \$38,795.97 with the NYE FW at \$14,800 however there may still be outstanding invoices for payment. Deb to complete the BSFFD financials asap. Bill discussed the outstanding Debtors and advised that they are being chased as required.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Club Administration:**

Still having issues with Microphones. Haseena advised that the system needs to be audited.

ACTION: Peter Stinson and Haseena to attend to the PA System and Microphones

Meals - no further action required.

BBQ Meeting: Suggested cancelling the meeting on 18/1 at Gerringong and revert back to the BBQ area at the Club due to expected non attendance at Gerringong Boar Harbour.

#### **Community:**

Australia Day Minutes 8/1/2018 tabled.

Aust Day committee has been organised. Peter Stinson has sent out Rosters, next meeting will be Monday 22/1. Narelle King has agreed to be the co-ordinator for the event. It will be a free event with the End Polio Buckets available for donations.

Berry Show - nothing has been organised as yet, more discussions and details for running the event are required.

NYE FW - Haseena will email committee members re a 'wash up' meeting of the event.

Dream Cricket: The E Club of Brindabella is requesting a donation of \$500 for a Gala Day at the Nowra Showground on 20/3/2018 for kids with special needs. The funds are to purchase Cricket kits, transport and a BBQ. Haseena moved a motion to send \$500 as a donation to the Club. The motion was seconded by Trevor Barker. With no amendments the motion was carried.

ACTION: Bill to send funds to the EClub of Brindabella

#### **New Generations:**

Written report from Rob Haines:

### **New Generations:**

- (1) In my absence, subject to a Board member moving and, if required, seconded by another, move that the November decision not to support Rotary Adventure In Citizenship ('RAIC') in the current Rotary year be rescinded.
- (2). Secondly, and on the same basis, move that the Rotary Club of Berry sponsor **one** year 11 student to attend RAIC program to be held in Canberra during May 2018 at a cost of \$1200, subject to the successful student/parent contributing \$300, unless such student attends a State or Catholic High School and whose parent/s satisfy our selectors of financial hardship in so contributing.

#### NOTE

- (a). Program is for one week in May during Budget week.
- (b). As previously advised, due to a 2016 credit being provided and early bird payment, RYLA has unused budget funds totalling \$990.
- (c). RAIC is a joint project of the Rotary Clubs of Canberra and Woden in conjunction with the Parliamentary Education Office and has been going for some 25 years.
- (d). The 2014 Lowy Institute Poll, found just 42% of 18-29 years of age Australians believe that, 'democracy is preferable to any other kind of government.'
- (e). The National Assessment Program revealed in 2016 only 38% of year 10 students achieved a proficient standard when tested on the values, institutions and practices of Australian government. I recommend adoption by the Board.

Bill Seelis moved a motion to rescind the motion of the previous minutes re supporting the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship sponsorship. The motion was seconded by Trevor Barker. With no amendments the motion was carried. The Board agreed to accept the sponsorship of the programme as per the request of Rob Haines in his report, section (2).

# Membership & Vocational:

A prospective member being David Williams has agreed that he would like to join the club.

ACTION: Deb to continue with the membership proposal process.

# **Public Relations:**

Grahame Sweeney read some feedback from emails received re our recent Fireworks Night, all excellent reviews, which are attached.

February Town Crier closes on 19/1 - Grahame will do an editorial on the NYE FW.

#### **International & Foundation:**

Nothing further to report

# **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

## **International Women's Day:**

Thursday 8th March 2018. The Board agreed that it would be ideal to celebrate the day at the club meeting on the 8th. Any advertising for the event will need to be given to Grahame Sweeney for inclusion in the next Town Crier by 15/2/2018.

ACTION: Deb to think about and arrange the event

### **Donation to Tonia Gray:**

Tonia will be a guest speaker on 22/2/2018, speaking about the STEMM Fundraiser. John Brentnall moved a motion to donate \$500 minimum but to be reviewed on the night up to \$1000 if necessary. The motion was seconded by Paul Andersen. With no amendments the motion was carried.

# **Bunting:**

New pricing to be acquired.

Next Board meeting - Tuesday 20th February @ 7.00 pm.

With no further business, Trevor Barker closed the Board Meeting at 10.08pm

Signed as true and correct, Rotary Club of Berry Inc.

<u>Trevor Barker</u> President **Debra Mainsbridge** 

Secretary