

Mark Minutes for Indigo/Atauro Friendship Committee Meeting

Tuesday February 14th at 5.00pm in Beechworth

Present: Irene, Rob, Libby, Jess, Peter, Frances, Mark, Lesley,

Apologies: Jenny O'Connor.

Minutes of Previous Meeting moved and accepted by Irene, seconded Mark.

Business Arising from Minutes:

1 Newsletters: Rob emailed the Friends of Lacluta Wangaratta and Vienale (Mansfield) newsletters to all Committee members.

2. Registration of Libby as a signatory at the Bendigo Bank: Libby and Lesley have organised the bank signatures at Bendigo Bank. Wendy's signature has now been removed.

3. The book donations to the Dili Reading room have been delivered to the Footscray depot. Thanks to the libraries and personnel concerned with organising these donations. Guidelines from Gasper in charge of the reading room were followed in selecting books and materials to be sent.

Action : Rob to write a thank you letter to Chis Bursill at Rutherglen Library

4. Feedback to the Council regarding the Local government protocol and network. Mark incorporated his/our ideas that had been previously discussed into a committee response into the Council plan. The timeline for responses didn't allow for anymore consultation. It seemed a very appropriate conduit for our ideas to go to Council.

Action: Committee members to attend Community meetings and publicize the role and activities of the IAFC and Friends of Atauro

5. Follow up network action via Nick Oats in Melbourne will see Indigo Council and Mark involved in the TL Waste Management officer exchange in May. Some folk from TL are coming to Indigo and Wodonga Councils as well as Melbourne, to look at issues to do re waste on or around May 10th. This is a great. A social gathering between the TL group and IAFC has been suggested. Possibilities were discussed.

Action: Mark to liaise with Mark Florence at Indigo Shire and come back to the April meeting with concrete suggestions.

6. Tax deductibility: Irene has emailed Christine Perkins at Alola. This is an ongoing issue.

7. Christmas Newsletter and Contact List: A big thankyou to Jess for managing the Newsletter in the rush before Christmas. Libby will chase up Barry Morey's email and we will investigate Dearca O'Mahony's email address as well. Thanks to all those who helped get those addresses correct.

Action:

Rob has a current email address for Ken Jasper, Anni and Pete Turnbull and Vicki Knopers. These addresses to be sent to Jess.

Rob to contact Ken Jasper with information about possible sponsorship.

6. Prospectus 2017.

The student page and past project page are being updated. Drafts have been circulated.

Items that are works in progress

Tax deductability and Alola
Sponsorship Flow Chart and Information pack

Student Email addresses and phone numbers

Treasurer's Report

Balance of \$4030.30 was reported and forward commitments (See projections on second page of agenda) were discussed. Actioning the Shire Community grant was discussed

Irene circulated the expenditure and money raised.

The treasurers report was moved by Peter and seconded by Lesley

Action:

Libby and Lesley to spend grant money on banners and organise funding of Gazebo. Libby to complete acquittal form from shire.

Irene to send Rob Nunui's(Alola's) financial report . This is then to be circulated with minutes

Students :

Graduation costs per student approximately \$700. 3 students possibly to graduate in 2017

Sponsors and Student list :Turnbull/Gedeo,Knopfer/Lauriana,Shire/Marcelina,Uniting Church/Germano?, Porter/Anani and Asminar

Students without sponsors-Charles – possibly Hosking family, Obed and Leopoldina is on leave.

Action : Rob to contact the Rutherglen High School regarding the provision of 2 computers to take to the students in June

Composting toilets: our aim is to construct about 4 composting toilets a year. When money comes from donors it will go into the composting toilets account.

Junior Council donation(2016) will be \$1000 will be available soon.

Jess explained the operation of junior council in 2017. All councillors to be involved at some time. Jess will be co-ordinator. Students will review the fundraising options and sponsorship. Given Atauro's historical significance in the operation of the Junior Council it is likely to hold it's place in the program.

Peter reported on the positive reaction of K/T Lions Club when mentioned in the newsletter.

Action: Rob to write information letters re: composting toilets to K?T Lions Club and Tallangatta Sec. College

NB. Current cost of a toilet in the hill country of Atauro is \$750AUD .

General Business:

IAFC Brochure - Discussion centred around the IAFC – brochure. Peter will ask for feedback from his friend as will other members and send to Jess. It was confirmed that its purpose was to inform members of the Australian and Timorese public of the role of Indigo/Atauro friendship and how they might get involved. Using shire resources and a friend in Dili we will try and publish it in English and Tetun.

Action:

Lesley to circulate some ideas for consideration. Peter to send feedback through to Jess. Rob and Jess to assemble ideas and photos. A draft to be circulated.

Fund Raising;

Beechworth List- things will continue. An excellent result from the garage sale . Well done Libby, Lesley and their helpers

Rutherglen February special effort – bike riding, fitness, walking and swimming as well as the raffle, with a street stall on 24th February. Cakes are being made by the primary school and secondary college. Raffle ticket sales are good so far.

Long Weekend activities- egg and bacon rolls will happen on March long weekend in conjunction with the Secondary school and it is yet to be decided about wine raffle on June long weekend.

Helpers Liability - when Irene booked raffle permit and paid \$34 to insure volunteers helping in fundraising. We are registered as street traders. Need to register all volunteers in Beechworth.

Foundation Documents Review

Rob suggested that it is necessary to consolidate and update our standing orders etc for our committee. He will contact Annabelle Harding for suggestions.

Indigo/Atauro Friendship Forward Commitments 2017

Scholarship students	Est. cost	Sponsor
1. Marcelina Soares de Araujo	AUD\$1457	Shire\$1200
2. Lauriana deAraujo Soares	AUD\$1029	Knoper family
3. Obed de Araujo	AUD\$3153	
4. Gedeao Cabral Soares	AUD\$2000	Turnbull family
5. Charles Vito Soares Xavier	AUD\$1886	
6. Germano Fernandes deAraujo	AUD\$1029	Bworth Uniting Church(?)
7. Asminar de Oliviera	AUD\$2371	Porter family
8. Anani Weles Soares	AUD\$1629	Porter family
Total	\$14554	

*Expected to graduate in 2017 – Anani, Marcelina and Gedeo

Leopoldina is on leave and Charles is starting his 4th year.

Estimated Cost of Students:

Total	14554
Less confirmed sponsorship	4229
Less unconfirmed sponsorship	6200(approx.)
Plus 10% Alola admin. Fee	1455
Plus Forex costs	120
Total Student cost for Committee	\$5705

NB. First qtr. payment of \$5000 already made

Facilitator Salary	1600(?)
Less Shire contribution	1600
Construction of 4 composting toilets	\$2000
ESTIMATED PROJECT EXPENSES	\$7705AUD

Meeting Concluded at 6.45pm

Meeting Dates and places for 2017

Wed. April 12th Porter's place @ 9 Glasgow st Rutherglen

Wed June 14th Frances's place 2 Harris st. Rutherglen

Wed August 12th Shire Offices @ Beechworth

Wed Oct11th @ Peter's place ,Huon rd. Tangambalanga

Wed Dec13th @ Barnawatha Hotel , Barnawatha