
Committee: Atauro Island Friendship Committee

TO BE HELD: Wednesday 9 August at 5:15pm

LOCATION: Beechworth Council Chambers

CHAIR: Rob Porter

ATTENDEES:

- Mark Verbaken
- Irene Cracknell
- Rob Porter
- Frances Walsh
- Lesley Milne
- Gerry Smith
- Jess Johnston

APOLOGIES:

- Libby Hosking
- Peter Croucher

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1. **Welcome**
 2. **Disclosure of conflicts of interest**
Nil
 3. **Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting**
Moved: Mark Verbaken
Seconded: Irene Cracknell
Carried.
 4. **Matters arising from the minutes**
Nil
 5. **Financial report**
N/A – was presented in AGM

6. Reports (Chair/Secretary/Treasurer)

Irene presented hers and Libby's Report from their Timor Leste /Atauro visit

The report be accepted.

Moved: Rob Porter

Seconded: Lesley Milne

Carried.

7. General business

Motion: That the committee implement a policy that students only be sent to an accredited university or tertiary institution and that we seek a list of these accredited universities and tertiary education from the friendship network in Dili

Moved: Lesley Milne

Seconded: Rob Porter

Carried.

Motion: Rescind the motion from previous meeting selecting four students for 2018 and that only two new students are accepted to start in 2018.

Moved: Mark Verbaken

Seconded: Irene Cracknell

Carried.

Motion: That the living allowance to be increased to \$80 a month for all students

Moved: Irene Cracknell

Seconded: Frances Walsh

Carried.

The committee will provide a report to each sponsor on the progress of their student.

Item to be discussed at the next meeting – mature aged students criteria – Rob and Frances to discuss with Marcello prior to next meeting.

Mark spoke about the Timor Leste delegation on 16/ 17 August and an invitation was presented to the committee to attend a civic reception at Council.

8. Date of next meeting: 11 October – Frances' house in Rutherglen

9. Meeting closed: 6:20pm