

Meeting opened at 5.30 pm: Chair: Andrew, Secretary: Julie Patey

Present: Julie Patey, Andrew Skeoch , Phillip McDonald, Sarah Koschak , Geoff Park, Horse (David Maplestone), Prue McAdam , Phillip Mitchell Graham,

Apologies: Sadie Gray, Mark Pearce (resigned), Gordon, Ann Berg (regular guest), David Farrington (regular guest).

Minutes: August Minutes Moved - Prue McAdam, second - Horse: Carried

Correspondence:

- Letter received from Knowles Gray to committee
- Letter received from Saide Gray to committee

Business Arising:

1.0 Matters arising from correspondence tabled

- The committee took the decision to acknowledge the letter from Knowles and register the concerns in the letter. Moved: Horse Seconded: Andrew
- The committee acknowledged the letter from Saide and registered the concerns in the letter. The committee decided to regard only correspondence written or emailed to the secretary to be considered official business and presented to meetings.
Moved: Andrew Seconded: Phillip McDonald

2.0 Terms of Reference - points for discussion

- Naming **Newstead Railway Arts Hub** (NRAH) has been in place for a time. It is on the website and has been discussed and decided upon at a meeting in the past to identify the hub with the railway location.
- The SALON is acknowledged as a primary stakeholder in the original application for the Railway Building, and is well known as the historical artist representation group. The terms of reference recognise that the NRAH is focusing on how to run the management process, while the Salon (historical and future) driving the artistic vision of the two.
- Management and Gallery Programming: Confirmation that the programming committee (and other sub committees) being made up of anyone interested in being involved and the decisions are then passed through the management committee. It was noted that sub committee members do not have to be management committee members, and it is that these are passionate people from the community who want drive it. Non-members of 2021 can be on sub committees.
- Section 2: Discussion about who is the “community”? The community covers people, the Salon, 2021, the local community groups, the school, the Kindergarten, the swimming pool, the RTC and anyone else who considers themselves part of the local community.
- Making a profit at the NRAH. This is encouraged, essential and encouraged for survival.
- A request can be made for confidentiality of meeting in a rare case. This is written in to standard model rules of governance, but will probably never be used.

3.0 Adoption of Terms of Reference

Geoff moved to adopt the Terms of Reference, and work towards the development of a vision for the Newstead Railway Artshub. Andrew moved a vote of thanks to Horse for his role in initiating and getting the Terms of Reference tabled. Seconded: Phillip MG

4.0 Resignation of Treasurer

Mark Pearce has resigned as treasurer and we have to nominate a new treasurer. Sarah accepted position of temporary treasurer.

5.0 Words in Winter

\$60 to be invoiced to Words in Winter for room hire in August (being 4 x part day uses).

Action: Sarah

6.0 Makers and Growers Market

A meeting with Mt Alexander Council confirmed there is a lot of preparation and fact finding for successful establishment of a community market. Keep exploring options in to the future. No decision made, but a meeting with Chris, the co-ordinator of Maldon and Caastlemaine markets, will be arranged to follow up on his offer of advice and perspective.

7.0 Signage on roadways around Artshub

Andrew spoke to the council about getting signage on the signposts but the rules are very strict. Heritage overlay comes in to force.

8.0 Advertise availability of 'writers office' at NRAH.

We have the opportunity to promote the availability of an office space for hire on **ceativespaces.net.au**.

Moved to submit a listing: Sarah Seconded: Julie

9.0 Kitchen Fit out Report

Reported on the grant spent, the restrictions of council requirements and why decisions were made and voted on at previous meeting.

10.0 Future vision for NRAH

Suggestion to form a sub committee to focus on a vision for the NRAH in to the future, to work in conjunction with management committee. No decision taken.

11.0 Offer from 2021 to pay for office space

Moved to accept the payment on the understanding that there are no conditions on office use, and it is available for public use.

Moved: Horse Seconded: Julie

12.0 Visit from new Mt Alexander CEO

Report on the visit by Darren Fuzzard, the new CEO of Mt Alexander Council. Horse, Julie, Sarah and Andrew have all met him and appreciate his interest.

13.0 ECHO article

Echo article to be penned for next month by Julie/Andrew.

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Next meeting: 10th October 2016