

# Minutes MFS Committee Meeting 13 November 2018

**Date:** 13 November **Time:** 6:00 pm

**Location:** White Eagle Polish Club

## 1. Welcome and Apologies

**Present** Geoff Kell, David Ball, Ian Bull, Antonella Salpietro, John Hewat

**Apologies.** Chris Ward, Nelly Rogers, Matthew Gibbins

Note: Resignation of Alice Bauer since 2 October meeting.

## 2. Confirmation of the Previous Minutes 2 October 2018

Minutes reviewed and corrections and changes recommended by Geoff and Antonella accepted. Motion to accept minutes moved John Hewat, Seconded David Ball. Motion Carried.

## 3. Matters Arising Previous Minutes

Geoff Kell still to print previous minutes for signing and uploaded to website as required by Rules of Association.

Geoff Kell to hand Secretary boxes of MFS archived material.

Geoff Kell also to expand executive group email distribution to include Vice President David Ball and Public Officer Antonella Salpietro.

## 4. Confirmation of the record of out of session decisions

Nil

## 5. Treasurer's Report

Link distributed to Committee out of session.

[Link to October Report](#)

### 5.1 Appointment of new treasurer

Matt has offered to take up position as treasurer. The Committee appointed Matthew Gibbins as treasurer and appointed signatory to the MFS Account. Antonella is to speak to Matt to clarify

responsibilities to satisfaction of committee. Christine Gifford, membership secretary, is to be able to view the accounts. Signatories to be Matthew Gibbins, David Ball, Geoff Kell, Antonella Salpietro and Ian Bull. Moved Antonella Salpietro, Seconded John Hewat. Motion carried.

## 6. Correspondence

Nil

## 7. President's Report

Covered in New Business.

## 8. New Business

### 8.1 Dancing In the Park 2018

Tina Lynam and Chris Ward are seeking a meeting with Federal minister Sussan Ley. They are also working with Geoff to meet with NCA officials. Geoff reported that correspondence has also been found from the NCA in 2017 advising that community groups will be \$20. MFS looking at options. The Committee noted that in 1993 Daryl and Diana Powell moved DITP to Stage 88. Prior to that DITP had been convened by John Garden on Aspen island.

Geoff has proposed that if negotiations for continuing at Stage 88 fail that MFS hold a good old time protest.

### 8.2 Treasurer

See above at Matters Arising Previous Minutes. . Matthew Gibbins appointed.

### 8.3 Albert Hall Hire

Nil

### 8.4 Daryl Powell OAM

Antonella proposed the following statement for inclusion in the minutes: 'The Committee acknowledges the very valuable contribution made by Daryl Powell to the MFS. Daryl served on the executive of the MFS for a number of years and, with his wife Diana's help, ran bush dance workshop and led music groups. Daryl's legacy in the MFS makes us all very proud and grateful that he chose to share his knowledge and skills with so many MFS dancers, callers and musicians over the years.' The committee agreed.

Tributes to Daryl are to be included in in the next Monaro Musings, which will also be available through the MFS members' website. Antonella proposed that Daryl's family is approached about their preference for donations to charities in Daryl's memory. If the MFS is to contribute to catering at wake, suggested figure was \$250. It was agreed that Geoff confirms with Daryl's family which charities they prefer donations to be made, and if they would accept an MFS contribution of \$250.00 for the catering. Moved Antonella Salpietro, Seconded Ian Bull. Motion Carried.

Pam Merrigan looking at NFF events to commemorate Daryl Powell and in discussions with Geoff Kell.

Geoff Kell to follow up in establishing a perpetual NFF award. Moved Geoff Kell, Seconded Ian Bull. Motion Carried.

An allocation of up to \$250 for the wake for Daryl Powell. Geoff to confirm details out of session. Moved David Ball, Seconded Antonella Salpietro. Motion Carried.

#### 8.5 MFS website

- a) Website support is paid for as required. Antonella Salpietro suggested that Keith Sayers may be able to volunteer do this. The cost of establishing the new website was over \$1000 but ongoing support is anticipated as much less than this each year. Insufficient time to discuss this item and held over until more information available.
- b) Antonella also suggested that in the list of current committee members reported on the MFS members' site, it doesn't seem necessary to indicate if a committee member / appointed official has been re-elected / reconfirmed, and suggested that the 'r' beside their names be removed. The committee agreed.

Action:

- a) What are the current costs? Is it justified to have a paid website manager or should we seek a volunteer as was the arrangement the past? Geoff to come back to the committee with relevant information..
- b) Geoff to action the decision at point b) above

#### 8.6 Events register

Postponed to the next committee meeting

#### 8.7 Banners

Banners (two designs) approved for purchase as presented by Geoff Kell. Moved Geoff Kell, Seconded Ian Bull. Motion Carried.

## 8.8 Signatories

Antonella Salpietro and David Ball to be added to account signatory list bringing the list to five.

Moved: Ian Bull, Seconded John Hewat Motion Carried.

Action: David and Antonella to obtain relevant forms from the Bank. Current signatories to sign the forms at the next committee meeting.

## 8.9 Contrapop

Proposal from Simon David tabled. Proposal supported with some details to be refined. Agreed to use Turner Scout Hall as venue and for MFS to support proposal and cover shortfalls in establishment costs and finance. Ian Bull raised issue of APRA registration for events using recorded music. Contrapop, Irish Set Dance and English Country Dance and sometime Bush Dance Group are examples.

Motion Moved. Geoff Kell, Seconded David Ball. Motion Carried.

9. Meeting Closed 19:35

10. Next Meeting. Tuesday 11 December 2018 6:00 pm.