

Save the Mary River Co-ordinating Group Meeting Minutes

- Date:** 26th March 2007
- Location:** Kandanga Information Centre
- Members:** Kevin Ingersole (Chairperson), David Kruetz, Keith Gall, John Porter, Jan Porter, Amanda Warren, Alan Sheridan, David Sims, Glenda Pickersgill, Lyndal Ensbey, Iain Watt, Lars Hedberg, Tricia Roth,
- Apologies:** Sue Smith, Lin Dillon, Wayne Dillon, Tamielle Andreassen, Sharon Ingersole, Tony Smith, Tony Hawkyard, Steve Burgess, Beryl Spencer, June Blyton, Garry Blyton, Kaili Parker-Price, Steve Dennis, Jo O'Shanesy, Victor Hill, Helga Hill
- Agenda:** As per Agenda received at meeting
- Glossary of Terms:**
- Committee* The Management Committee, *Save the Mary River Co-ordinating Group*, and its members.
- Chairperson* Committee Chairperson or President
- Member/s* Individual/s of Ordinary Members of the *Save the Mary River Co-ordinating Group*
- Guest/s* Meeting attendees not classed as Ordinary Members

OPENING OF MEETING

Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 7.00pm at Kandanga Information Centre.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

***Motion: Minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.
Moved By: Iain Watt. Seconded By: Lars Hedberg.***

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Final Draft of TOR/EIS from Community Futures Taskforce

Kevin advised that he had spoken with Mr Arnison today and that no action has been taken as yet. Kevin advised that it was implied that the final draft would not be available for viewing before being submitted to QWIPL. Kevin added that he wouldn't give any details on the proposal of 'put' option for properties and Mr Arnison advised that we consult our Lawyers as he had written a response to them. Kevin had spoken with our Lawyers and they had informed him that the letter had implied that they would assess properties on an individual basis.

SKM and Auditing of Studies

Kevin informed the Members that he had spoken with SKM and they had, in principle, agreed to allow the Group to 'audit' the studies that they conduct.

Senate Enquiry Submissions on web

Kevin informed the Members that had noticed that the Government had posted people's names and addresses along with their submissions on the public register on the web. Kevin contacted the department and asked them to remove all personal information from submissions before posting to the web to which they agreed. Kevin advised the any person's making submission could request for their details to be kept confidential.

FUNDRAISING STANDING COMMITTEE

Lars advised that a second Monster Auction has been confirmed for the 17th June 07. Tricia informed the Members that the works for the Art Auction had been hung and the silent auction had begun. Tricia advised that any further donations may have to be kept for a possible second Art Auction. Tricia asked for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets for a piece of donated artwork. Tricia advised that the event was to be held at the Cooroy Butter Factory on Saturday 31st March at 1pm. There would be a print workshop beforehand and then music from 2-5pm as well as Wine Tasting from 4pm at the event. The silent auction will close at 5pm and the actual auction at 5.30pm.

Keith informed the Members that he would like to organise to print 10,000 copies of a sticker with the text, "I Love the Mary" for some additional fundraising. Keith added that he is also looking into printing T-Shirts and some larger signs with the same design as the stickers.

Keith also informed the Members that there would be another forum held at The J, Noosa on the 19th April with some guest speakers such as Jamie Dunn (MC), Dave Gibson and Kate Molloy. The documentary shown at the recent Kandanga forum will also be shown at the event. Keith suggested that short DVD's of this documentary should be produced and sold to raise more funding. John added, however, that there had been some negative feedback about the documentary and that we should include a disclaimer to advise the public that although we support the documentary, the Group did not produce it. Kevin added that we should not present any future viewings like this without previewing the item first.

Motion: Send a response to a letter received regarding the viewing of the documentary at Kandanga.

Moved By: David Sims. Seconded By: John Porter.

TECHNICAL STANDING COMMITTEE

Alan advised the Members that a workshop with the Environmental Consultant will be held on Tuesday 27th March with Glenda, David Kruetz and others to organize information.

MEDIA STANDING COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

MEMBERSHIP STANDING COMMITTEE

John provided a report to the Group (see attached report). Tricia advised that she would provide a list of person's who signed the Guest Book at the Kandanga Information Centre to John so that they could be contacted and encouraged to become members of the group.

Motion: 1yr free membership be given to people who have donated time and items to the fund.

Moved By: John Porter. Seconded By: Lars Hedberg.

SIGNAGE STANDING COMMITTEE

Keith informed the Members that there was some signage that needed to be tidied up in certain areas. David Sims suggested that a notice for a working bee be put up to look for volunteers to assist in this process. Keith also suggested that some signs be taken to Maryborough and erected. Keith asked people to contact him if they wish to help.

MERCHANDISE STANDING COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Lyndal advised the members that the current Bank Account balance was \$32,797 with \$501 received from merchandise and \$500 from donations. Lyndal added that she was yet to receive the donations taken at Maryborough. Lyndal is also waiting for a \$1,000 donation and would contact Barbara Hovard to arrange.

Motion: All payments are approved and the Treasurers Report is as a true and accurate record.

Moved By: Lyndal Ensbey. Seconded By: David Kruetz.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Brisbane Campaign

John advised the Members that the working group had only drafted some points for an article to be published in Brisbane. John added that a meeting will be held on Thursday 29th March with David Sims and Tony Smith to discuss this article. John asked for ideas and suggestions to be forwarded to him by email. Kevin asked when it was intended for the article to be published to which David Sims advised that it would probably be published after Senate Enquiry.

Senate Enquiry Submission from SMRCG

Kevin suggested to the Members that the Group's submission until last and the Members agreed. Kevin added that the main points for the Group's submission needed to be broken down into "plain speak" and kept to 2 pages long. Kevin also asked people to email suggestions for points that should be covered in the submission as well as suggestions for possible speakers as soon as possible. Tricia suggested that we needed to look at how we can use the media to really promote the issue during the Senate Enquiry. Lars asked when the enquiry would begin. Kevin advised that it would begin 2wks after submissions closed.

SMR Website Forum Update

Tricia advised that in general the forum has been fairly quiet.

Department of Compliance and Enforcement

David Kruetz informed the Members that the Department of Compliance and Enforcement has provided an opportunity for people to advise them of organizations who haven't complied with the EPBC act. David Kruetz added that he will formulate a letter for the Lawyers to submit on our behalf.

Brisbane Rallies

Kevin suggested that a rally in Brisbane be organized for after the Senate Enquiry to help enforce the message in the South East corner.

***Motion: Form a sub-committee for organizing rallies.
Moved By: David Sims. Seconded By: Jan Porter.***

Appointment with Kevin Rudd

Kevin suggested that after the Senate Enquiry the Group should contact Kevin Rudd and try to arrange an appointment to meet with him.

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting was announced for 16th April 2007 at 7pm, Kandanga Information Centre.

Items to be placed on agenda for next meeting – Suggestions for Rally Sub-Committee.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 8.55pm.