

MINUTES GENERAL MEETING

held at First Floor, Ravendale Community Sports Complex 40 Stamford Terrace, Port Lincoln SA 5606

6pm WEDNESDAY, 22 April, 2015

Welcome: by Richard Horgan

Present: Paula Brown, Anne-Marie Hammond, Paul Sherry, Richard Horgan, Brad Flaherty, Michael Dodd,

Jim Papazoglov arrived at 6.30pm

Apologies: Derry Moldrich, Tiffany Rehn, Phill Foreman, Rob Watson

Diana Smith came as an observer

Guest Speakers: Nil

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting, held 24 February 2015 (attached) Note: Previous meeting 24 March – no quorum, items included here.

Paul moved the minutes be accepted as true and correct, AM seconded, all in favour.

2. Business Arising:

2.1 WOOF Media Backup & Maintenance Service - Paul Sherry asks that the chamber accept the quote from Woof media for the backup, maintenance and upgrades moved by Paul seconded by Michael.

3. Correspondence In:

- 3.1 WOOF Media Backup & Maintenance Service letter / invoice, approved to pay
- 3.2 Eyre Media re Business & Events website
- 3.3 RDA re Business Builder programs (plus discount offer) see info below.
- 3.4 Harvey Norman re Trading Hours, trading hours can be 24hours.
- 4. Correspondence Out: trading hours info sent to Harvey Norman

5. Reports:

- 5.1 CHAIR: Richard spoke re strategic plan, has met with RDAWEP, spoke to Whyalla Chamber of Commerce.
- 5.2 TREASURER (absent)

6. General Business:

- 6.1 Chamber Web & FB pages— Items to be uploaded Paul will attend to this
- 6.2 Business Excellence Awards progress reports also see attached timeline. *Date chosen is* 23rd Oct . Decision made by committee to hold this at Ravendale.
- 6.3 Employee / Employer of the Month? (Spotlight?)

Nominated businesses Aussie Aluminium, Next Generation HQ, Cruisers Hub Cafe and maybe Port Lincoln Community Bank? Email out a few questions to the businesses and do some video which Michael will organise.

Member benefits, Richard to approach YTAP re having a member from YTAP on the chamber committee. Maybe ask Sam re Women in Business?

6.4 BENDIGO BANK

- 'Shop Local campaign As per information provided by Anne-Marie Hammond, Bendigo bank locally have been working to pay for a 'shop local campaign" for local businesses this has been ongoing for a few months and should be out soon. Essentially the bank are paying for this for the local businesses
- Networking Nights The bank is also keen to help out with networking nights so maybe the Chamber could partner with the bank to have the networking nights once a month or every 2 months. Our business community seem to be indicating this is something they would like to do. Bendigo get lots of feedback as to where to put money back into our community and this was something identified. Still looking at guest speakers eg peter O'toole, Kochie? So business related dynamic people so when our local businesses need to be innovative, this may help. This could be a win win for the chamber as it gets the nights paid for while getting businesses together. Chamber suggest every 3months, maybe an end of financial year networking night? Both logos on invites etc ,eventbrite? Rae can be doing this as marketing and liaise with Paul. Suggest Fri July 24th. AM to check with Rae through the Bendigo marketing committee on Monday. Bus to collect and do drop offs, Brad to see Toth's re this.

6.5 MEMBER BENEFITS

- More ideas courtesy of Jim Pap which could help to address the question "What does the Chamber do for me'
- Partnerships with Experts That the Chamber form partnerships/alliances with 'Experts in their field' such as Mellor Olsson or Business Taxation Specialists etc, so that members could perhaps get discounted rates for expert advice from these organisations
- Insurance similarly, the Chamber could seek to form an alliance with a local insurance broker/organisation so that members could get cheaper rates.
- Power & Telephone again, perhaps the Chamber should negotiate and form an alliance with power/telephone providers to get special rates for members
- 6.6 BUSINESS SA Meetings and offers Expansion of region?Ask Nigel McBride over from Business SA for networking night. *Richard to action.*
- 6.7 Constitution Review and update, committee to read and make suggestions via email. *Paul, Michael and AM will get together and give back a final draft for perusal.*
- 6.8 Chamber Strategic Plan as attached if all happy with this put it up on website, could all committee members review strategic plan and email feedback to Richard please. 5 key points to be advertised, to hit the mark.
- 6.9 Sub-Committees to address key areas re business awards, port Lincoln visitor guide/tourism, business initiatives, membership.

7. Business without Notice:

- 7.1 Future Meeting Dates on Tuesdays only RCSC Management *Tues do not suit chamber*, *Jim more than happy to be available to open up on the Wed, will continue to have meetings 4th Wed of every month.*
- 7.2 Tourism News updates
- 8. Next Meeting: May 27th 6pm at Ravendale
- 9. Close: 8.48pm