



O.M.E.P WA INC.
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OMEP WA INC

Committee Meeting held at 91 Preston Pt Rd, East Fremantle on Thursday, May 3, 2012.
Meeting opened at 6:07 pm

MINUTES

1.0 MEMBERS PRESENT: Dawn & Bryce Butterworth, , Tina Elsegood, Anne Taylor Marjorie Green, Zina Cordery, Mary & Elemer Vajda,

2.0 APOLOGIES :Arthur Taylor, Helen McDonagh, Lis & Poul Mathiasen

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - March 1.

Moved: Zina Cordery **Seconded:** Mary Vajda

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES -

4.1 PNG Training Program - March/April 2012 Three teachers, who are volunteers at Crispins Kindergarten in the village of Poro in Oro Province, PNG, and their escort Olivia Bunari, safely arrived in Perth. The three teachers were on a professional development course funded by bursaries given jointly by OMEP WA inc and NCWW. The teachers: Serena Sawaraba, Christabel Saroda and Joseph Aripa were joined by Asanka Bodara Gama from the Meghauri School in Galle, Sri Lanka, who was sponsored by Graduate Women of WA. The PD was a great success both educationally and as a cultural exchange. The only sad part was the Lis Matheiasen became ill.

School visits were a resounding success. The schools visited were hospitable, helpful and welcoming.

Minister for Child Protection, Robyn McSweeney met with the group over breakfast at Frazers, Kings park.

The 3 PNG teachers returned home with 3 laptops.

Dawn Butterworth was featured in the SCOOP Magazine. *UniReview* wrote an article of the trip in their magazine and so did a magazine for Rural and Remote Women.

4.2 Butterfly Banquet - April 14th -Was an unmitigated success. It was mainly organised by Hilary Silbert and Lalani Weddikara. One hundred people attended. From the money made (dinner and raffle), \$2,806.50 was banked for PNG.

4.3 Sundowner at Tina's, March 10. Once again this was an enjoyable and memorable way to welcome in the OMEP working year. Thank you Tina and Brian. One new member as a result.

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4.4 OMEP Aust Transfer This has commenced. Finances received, Dawn changed bank signatures, membership list received. Archives still in South Australian.

4.5 Lotterywest Submission Commenced but not completed. Zina Cordery presented a quote for \$4,000 for office equipment. Need to get another quote. Dawn to meet with Zina to finalise the submission. **Action Dawn and Zina**

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards Letter of invitation for World Assembly/Conference

Scoop Magazine Article

Uniview article

Michelle Scott, Commission of Children and Young People has a thinker in residence, Dr Stuart Shanker. Will hold Keynote address at Wesley College on 5 June. All invited, advertised in the West. Dawn to circulate flier via email. .

Action Dawn

Outwards PNG program arrangements

6.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

Last balance: \$2,744.53

\$2,806.50 from Butterfly Banquet

Total \$5,551.03

Once budget and financial plan received from Crispins Kindergarten, then money will be transferred to Poppandetta.

Moved: Marjorie Green **Seconded:** Tina Elesgood

7.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Dawn to send photos of PNG visit to Zina for newsletter. Send photos of students and their schools with visitors. Make into a thank you card to send to schools.

Action Dawn and Zina

Bryce Butterworth to investigate possibility of a movie in late June/ early July.

Action Bryce

8.0 NEXT MEETING 6:00 pm June 6th 91 Preston Pt Rd, East Fremantle

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