Oganisation Mondiale pour l'Éducation Préscolaire Organización Mundial para la Educación Preescolar

OMEP WA INC

Committee Meeting held at 23 Austin Way, Padbury on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 7pm.

MINUTES

Meeting opened 7:11

1.0 MEMBERS PRESENT

Lis & Poul Mathiasen, Dawn Butterworth AO (Chair), Ingrid Vajda, Judith Candy, Tina Elsegood, Mary Vajda

2.0 APOLOGIES

Sandra Hesterman (President). Ann Taylor (Director)

3.0 **GUEST**

Karvn Platt

Sha & Shima Farahmand. Sha is a teacher who graduated in 2014.

4.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved: Lis Mathiasen Seconded: Ingrid Vajda Carried

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES -

- 5.1 Movie Fundraiser. Less people attended the movie than in the past. The quality of the movie was debated. The movie as a fundraiser was, however, a financial success.
- 5.2 OMEP WA AGM will be held on Thursday 20 October, at Murdoch University, 7pm, EH3.04. Nomination forms sent out and nominations received, Sandra has written the President's report. Lis and Dawn will be the speakers, presenting the paper they delivered in Seoul. Supper: Poul & Lis sandwiches, Judith savoury dish, Tina savoury, Mary savoury, Ann sweet, Ingrid sweet, Dawn fruit platter, Sandra tea, coffee, milk.



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- 5.3 School Starter Kit donations, introductory letters. Each committee member was given a letter of introduction that they can take with them when requesting donations. Dawn emailed OfficeWorks Fremantle, but received no response, Dawn will also contact OfficeWorks Mandurah, Poul contacted Joondalup and received \$60 worth donations, Ingrid will contact Malaga and Morley OfficeWorks; Judith will approach Jandakot, Tina Stock Rd.
- 5.4 Mary will email schools and get paperwork ready. Dawn offered to deliver school starter kits to schools in Pinjarra, Boyanup Brook, Dardanup, Green Bushes, Harvey and Bridgetown.
- 5.5 Refugee Welcoming Kits. Dawn has some materials for the kits. Ann will buy undies and socks and she and Ann will put the kits together. They could be distributed through Fremantle multi-cultural centre and the ISHA Women's Health Centre one distribution centre south and one north.
- 5.6 Global Handwashing Day, 15 October, Karyn Platt. Karyn Platt informed the meeting that she will do something for Global Handwashing Day. She will email us and let us know what she needs for the program. Dawn offered to contact the local newspapers, the *Voice* and *Guardian* for appropriate publicity but it was reported that the Principal has organised a reporter who will visit the school.
- 5.7 Next Generation members. Dawn welcomed Sha and Shima who may join OMEP and form a next generation membership. Dawn will email Fatima and ask her about the other two young people who previously expressed interest in OMEP.
- 5.8 OMEP Aust AGM by teleconference, October 25, 4.30pm. Butterworth's RSVP for catering.

6.0 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Inwards

5 Oct ACNC Quarterly

9 Oct Westminster Junior Primary School. Thank you letter.

Outwards

5 Oct ACNC Quarterly forward to committee.

OMEP Newsletter emailed

6.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dawn reported on what is happening in PNG. OMEP is supporting Crispins kindergarten, and it is a struggle for Olivia to maintain it. The kindergarten suffers when the local crops fail. Parents are supposed to pay nominal fees so volunteers can get meagre wages. Lack of a basic salary is a problem for the kindergarten as teachers leave when their families need



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them to work on the crops. Olivia Benari phoned to say that Rotary Intl Aust is running 6 month ECE courses at Kakoda to which 3 Crispin's volunteers will be sent. Cost is to be met by the Department of Education. Olivia asked for 3,500 kina for teacher salaries for term 2, as well as money to pay the fees for Joseph and John to attend elementary teacher training in Madang, PNG. Dawn and Bryce Butterworth sent the fee money to PNG. The email from Crispin's Kindergarten was read out. The Kindergarten is setting up a pig and chicken project to help earn money to ensure the sustainability of the school.

The email from Diti Hill, OMEP NZ was read to the meeting. The email, which was aggressive and demanding in tone was in relation to reports of Australia's treatment of children in detention on Nauru. Dawn read out her response, thanking Diti for her shared concern for the welfare of **all** refugee children and suggesting that NZ act independently in the issuing of any proposed damning media release. The OMEP World President, Dr Maggie Koong contacted Dawn to ask what she had done in relation to the OMEP Declaration and the Nauru files before her deciding if she needed to initiate any action in response to the email from Diti. Dawn reported the very considerable constructive actions that OMEP Australia had taken and Dr Koong thanked her and said she would send the report to Diti Hill.

Call from Ingrid Pramling Samuelsson. OMEP is partnered with UNESCO and Ingrid requested a report of anything that OMEP Aust had done in relation to sustainability. Responses were received from Prof Julie Davies (QLD) and Roslyn Heywood (Qld). Sandra Hesterman's work at Bold Park was also reported to Ingrid.

7.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

Moved that the money (\$2,030) sent to PNG by Dawn and Bryce for teacher training be reimbursed.

Moved: Poul Mathiasen Seconded: Mary Vajda

Accounts for payment; - Thank you gift for honorary auditor \$65.00.

Financial Report 5 October 2016

Statement for August and September, 2016

Opening balance: \$8,249.90

Transactions: Receipts Payments



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10 August, 2016

Direct Credit

Libby Lee Hammond

Membership \$ 60.00

13 August, 2016

Cash Deposited

J. K Goss. Membershp.

and Donation \$80.00

13 August, 2016

Membership.

D& B Butterworth,

And Tina Elsegod \$160.00

13 August, 2016

Membership.

Jerome Toonen \$ 60.00

15 August, 2016

Chq. Presented

Annu. Affl. Payment \$ 720.00

18 August, 2016

Membership.

Fatima Pandor \$ 25.00

6 September

Donation

Merle Bardwell \$ 50.00

Direct Credit

M+ E Vajda

Film Tickets

& Donation \$ 240.00

13 September, 2016

Direct Credit

Membership.

Fiona Messmer \$ 25.00



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17 September, 2016 Direct Credit Jerome Toonen Donation	Organización Mundial para la Educación Preescolar \$ 50.00
19 September,2016 Cash/ Chq. Presented. Film & Donations	\$811.00
Sandra Hesterman Membership	\$ 60.00
19 September, 2016 Cash Deposited	

19 September, 2016 Chq. Presented

Raffle & Film

Payment for film. \$605.00

\$594.25

Closing Balance

30 September, 2016 \$9,140.15

Treasurer's report Moved: Poul Mathiasen. Seconded: Dawn Butterworth Carried

8.0 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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8.1.1	September	12	Judith Parker, \$40 Cheque
8.1.2		14	Fiona Messmer New Student \$25 EFT.
8.1.3		19	Sandra Hesterman, \$60, cheque.
8.1.4	August 11		Tina Elsegood \$60 Cheque
8.1.5		11	Janni Goss \$80 cheque - \$60 membership, \$20 WTF
8.1.6		11	Bryce Butterworth, \$40 Cheque
8.1.7		11	Dawn Butterworth, \$40 Cheque
8.1.8		16	Jerome Toonen, \$60 EFT.
819		17	Fatima Pandor, \$25 FFT student membership



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8.1.10

Fiona Messmer Membership Form sent, Student membership, no funds transferred.

9.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9.1 OMEP fundraising for Westminster music program. To celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Lis and Poul Mathiasen are inviting 130 guests. They are requesting no presents but everyone is asked to make a 'note' donation to OMEP. The money raised will go towards the Westminster Junior Primary School music program. Date: Sat 26 Nov. Time: 2:30 5:30.
- 9.2 Keyboards for Westminster have been purchased. The music program has commenced.
- 9.3 Westminster Children's story books have gone to printer. The printer's fee is the same as last year, \$935.
- 9.4 Launch of the books is proposed for 2 Dec venue to be determined. Possibly in a public library.
- 9.5 Idea for next year Commence an OMEP next generation group. Start the first group in WA
- 9.6 It was discussed that OMEP Aust provides a travel award to the next World Assembly and Conference. Encourage someone in our group who is outstanding to apply for it.
- 9.7 It was suggested that OMEP WA funds an early childhood bursary. The recipient will need to be academically able, in financial need, committed to young children and have contributed to the community (eg church, sporting coaching etc). The bursary would be open to undergraduate and post graduate students and be to the value of about \$2,000.

10.0 NEXT MEETING 1 December at Judith Candy's place, 8 Whitfield Terrace, Winthrop. Time: 7:00. Committee to bring Christmas fare.

Meeting closed 9:05