

## **Boolarra Community Development Group.**

### **Meeting held at Boolarra Multi-purpose Building 11<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**Present:** C Brick, M Herni, P Dodds, A Mehran, P McAlister, Tara Donegan (LCC), D Black, T Anderson,

**Apologies:** Cr D White, R Northe MLA, L Emond, M Cooke, G Mills, Jill Simmonds, R Herni, S Webster, J Henderson, V Henderson, G Pither,

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting, and action arising:**

Tracy has obtained a quote for the park benches. \$648 + GST, plus \$249 for installation  
Agreed-Tracy to place an order. Tara to check regarding the installation by LCC.

Tracy spoke to the Salvo's/Headspace regarding a disco to be held over the school holidays.  
○ Not practical these holidays, but possibly later in the year.

Minutes accepted. M Herni/Pat McAlister

#### **Correspondence**

Accepted. C Brick/T Anderson Refer attached table.

#### **Finance**

Opening balance	01/07/2012	\$112,182	
Opening balance	30/04/2013	\$ 35,432	
Closing balance	31/05/2013	\$ 33,943	Uncommitted \$13.496

Contact details re the Business Plan funding for the Koffee Kart to be supplied to Tracy. Colin

Remaining facilitator's funding could be used to pay for someone to prepare grant submissions.

Accepted. Moved P Dodds/T Anderson

#### **Latrobe City (Tara)**

- Volunteer information session went very well.
- The Small Towns capital funding is in the submitted budget, but this has not been approved as yet.
- Concerns have been expressed by community members and users regarding hire processes and rates for the multi-purpose building.
  - Tara queried their structure, and when their AGM was held.
  - Colin to get some detail, but also noted that while we can offer to assist other community groups we cannot interfere in their processes.

#### **Mirboo North Community Bank Forum**

- Two sessions have been held; 18/4 and 2/5, at the Bowling Club.
- Tracy, Colin and Rob have met John Harris (MNCB) and Herb Smith (YDCA) to determine the format and purpose.
- Ian Gibson facilitated the first session, and over 400 ideas were nominated from the community audience of 25-30 people.
- At the second forum attended by around 20 people there was the opportunity for each person to nominate their priorities. The most popular choices were then discussed and evaluated and groups established to develop an initial project plan on how to bring the idea to fruition.
- The identified priorities were:
  - Development of a major indoor sporting facility at the Recreation Reserve,
  - Refurbishment of the old PO building for community purposes.
  - Development of a community cooperative.

- Development of a coordinated management and maintenance process for public land along the upper Morwell River. (Falls, Apex Park, Primrose Park, The Old Mill Site, and Jack Richards Park)
- It has been an invaluable process for the BCDG, and a timely one, as the projects that have taken a lot of our time and energy since the fires are now largely complete and it provides us with a view of community priorities, and a process for commencing work on a number of the priorities.
- The process will facilitate future submissions for funding.
- It is planned to hold a Youth Forum in the near future.

## **BCDG Reports**

### **Gazebo**

- Lighting has been fixed. Lower wattage lights installed, and a timer to turn off at 11pm.
- Men's shed have commenced the fabrication of the "fill ins".

### **Boolarra Youth & Space**

- Pat will speak to Headspace shortly.
- Training and work with the Koffee Kart is going well.
- Sessions will revert to the MPB from next week.

### **Koffee Kart**

- Tracy has completed her probation period as Coordinator, and has been confirmed in the position.
- 45 paid hours worked.
- Future events include home footy games, movie night, Traralgon Harriers and the Churchill Relay for Life.
- Tara suggested the Sauna Sail as a potential venue for the future.

### **Community Art show**

- To be held 27-30 June
- More than 45 entries
- Mirboo North Community Bank sponsoring for \$750.
- Julie Adams, Latrobe Gallery, will officially open the Art Exhibition.
- Abbas will provide details and paper to Tara and she will prepare a flyer.

### **Open garden show**

- Jill has advised there are five gardens. Would like one more.
- Otherwise arrangements are in place,

### **Men's shed**

- Public Meeting to establish as separate group was held Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, at the Fire Station.
- Very well attended, and a committee has been appointed.
- They will pursue incorporation.
- BCDG will continue banking for them, until they have their arrangements in place.
- Continue to get good numbers.
- This will now cease to be a BCDG group report.

### **Community forum projects**

- Four items: Refurbish the old bakery, new indoor sporting facilities, evaluation of the viability of a cooperative, consolidation of management of public lands along the upper Morwell River.
- Meeting of the Mirboo North Community Bank forum sub-committee tomorrow night to discuss progress.

## **General Business:**

- AGM is coming. Normally held in August.
  - Bowling Club to be approached as a venue.
  - Aim to get some younger people there. Perhaps use of social media.
  - Head of FRRR could be available to come and have a look at fire related projects, and then talk to the meeting. Paul to check availability,

- For election day Tracy suggested a community information and market day in the Park.
  - Information tents.
  - Car boot sale.
  - Small number of food stalls.
  - Distribute to community groups (See if we can access Lois Thornton's Link distribution list).
  - Need to book the Park with the Rail Trail and DSE.

### Outstanding actions:

- Need to have a Christmas Carols coordinator.
- ANZAC Day. Roz requested BCDG take over the running of the event.
  - Need to advise Roz that the group has been unable to identify anyone to take over as coordinator.
- BCDG run event-Murder Mystery, Film Night, etc.
- Rob suggested a Boolarra Garage sale day. People register, the event is advertised in the Express, and a map is provided in town. Oct
- Colin outlined discussions with Jenny Den Toom (Salvo's) over the possibility of support for training. Colin to follow up.

### Meeting Closed at 9.30 PM

**Next Meeting:**            **At the Multi-purpose Building 9<sup>th</sup> July, at 7.00PM**

Boolarra Community Development Group: Correspondence						
June 2013 Meeting						
Ref	To	From	Date	Subject	Comment	Action
201306.01	Boolarra Community	Cathleen Dodds	11-Jun	How to complain re TV reception	Sent by Cathleen in response to email from Val Henderson	
201306.02	BCDG	FRRR	6-Jun	Monthly newsletter with details of grants		
201306.03	BCDG	Catheryn Thompson	4-Jun	Lights on at the gazebo. Issue now resolved		Issue resolved
201306.04	BCDG	Men's shed	2-Jun	Quote for trailer housing shed	For use in grant application	
201306.05	Media Release	Russell Northe, MLA	22-May	Community infrastructure grants open		
201306.06	BCDG	Mark Cooke	June	Resignation-due to work shifts	Thank Mark for his contribution, and look forward to further involvement in the future.	Resignation Accepted