

Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Tuesday 19 November 2019

Start time: 12.10 pm SA Time

Location: Land Management Room, Umuwa.

Present: Marita Baker (MB), Rex Tjami (RT), Bernard Singer (BS), Willy Pompey (WP), Tjutjana (Numati) Burton (NB), Nyukana Norris (NN), Owen Burton (OB), Anton Baker (AB), Makinti Minutjukur (MM), Richard King (RKg), Tania King (TK), Ruth Morley (RM), Mavis Welsh (MW) (minutes/recording).

On phone: Sally Scales (SS) Chair, Ebony DeRose (ED)

Observers: Ian Liddy and Chantal Bala, DPC-R.

Apologies: Murray George.

SS chaired the meeting and welcomed members to the meeting.

Minutes of the Special General Meeting - Leases 8 October 2019.

Topic of empowering APY communities to collect Rents from stakeholders using community spaces, putting in place Lease Agreements.

RKg displayed the minutes of the SGM on screen and read them through. BS translated them.

RKg emphasised that the APY manages the leases only. Under the APY Land Rights Act, the power to grant leases is with APY through the Executive Board. He stated the only restriction on granting a lease is the need for consultation with Traditional owners and then for Executive Board to give leases.

Under the APY Land Rights Act when someone is granted a lease they are not able to get a mortgage or loan on the lease. Also a lease cannot be transferred or passed on and cannot be sub-let. If a lessee dies the lease will come back to APY for the process of consultation to take place.

BS translated into language.

RKg reminded Exec Board members that they can delegate to the GM to direct the roadworks over the Christmas period until next Board meeting in February. That is called "conditional delegation".

He stated that many of Executive Board members are on community councils – training up young people and you want them to take over on Executive Board. We can teach them how to plan and work through projects with the aim to get young people on to executive.

SS stated her phone is on the charger.

SS back on phone.

12.45pm AB left meeting.

12.50pm Lauren Michener from CLC and Pantjiti Lewis entered the meeting as observers. They will present on URM Cemetery Project on APY Lands.

RKg continued with reading the SGM minutes.

12.51pm AB returned to meeting.

After requests for any amendments to the minutes, there were no amendments.

Resolution:

That the Executive Board agrees that the minutes of the Special General Meeting minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2019 are a true and correct record.

Moved Numati Burton, seconded Bernard Singer All agreed.

Resolution:

The Executive Board agrees that the minutes of the Special General Meeting minutes of 8 October 2019 be published on line.

Moved Bernard Singer, seconded Anton Burton All agreed.

URM Cemetery Project on APY Lands

Lauren Michener (LM) from CLC and Pantijiti Lewis made a presentation to the Executive Board entitled Uluru- Rent Money (URM) Community Development Program partnering with a partner organisation to restore and upgrade several cemeteries and small graveyards.

They explained that there is a group of Traditional Owners on a working group with Pantjiti Lewis, who are preparing URM cemetery and graveyard restoration project in communities. Project partner is RASAC.

LM displayed map on the screen and explained the group areas on the CLC. Planning for Action – displayed as 'The River' map and process for how project to work.



Displayed Uluru Rent Money Traditional Owners Work Group photo. This group has been working since 2005 and is made up of 2 representative from community, 1 male and 1 female. Communities represented are Imanpa; Kaltukatjara / Docker River; Mutitjulu; Utju / Areyonga; Watarrka; Amata; Pukatja / Ernabella and Kenmore. Since 2014 the Group is looking at more strategic projects – LM displayed listed projects looking at funeral support, culture, education, dialysis chairs in communities and is now looking to cemetery upgrade projects.

LM has carried out a review and asked questions about all cemeteries in 7 communities. Questions included: Which organisation is looking after and maintaining the cemetery? Is the cemetery still open for new burials; Is there good fencing to keep animals out; Questions about signage, shelter and tables and chairs, water supply, rubbish cleaning, are the graves marked, is there a register.

LM showed photos of Utju and Pukatja cemeteries.

PL spoke in language.

LM explained that there are broken fences, crosses are breaking down, in need of weed control – and this is one of the biggest.

Amata Cemetery is in poor condition and needs lots of work. Number 1 cemetery not so bad, but number 2 cemetery is very bad.

LK displayed photo of Kenmore grave.

<u>APY Cemetery Plan</u> – LK explained that RASAC has put in a plan for the work and the proposal is the best one. RASAC will manage the plan, but with CDP workers which will include training workers.

BS translated.

LM gave a summary of the plan which will take over 2 years. She displayed on screen the summary of the plan and costs and went through the various stages.

1.35pm Ebony De Rose on phone.

LM displayed aerial photos of the cemeteries, and stated the hope to start work in 2020.

RKg advised that under Section 7 of the LRA need to require consultation with Traditional Owners with assistance from Anthropology who will investigate and consult.

PL, NB and BS spoke and discussed in language.

BS stated this would be a good thing and he supports the plan. Need to bring to community meetings and consult with each community in conjunction with Anthropology. Need anthropologists present at same time as discussion with community.

Communities will select people who know about the graves and then a plan can be developed. Some senior Anangu will be employed to help research in the cemeteries – find the names of people buried, fix up mistakes etc.

Communities involves are Pukatja, Amata and Kenmore.

1.45pm Makinti Minutjukur present.

Resolution:

The Executive Board endorse the URM Cemetery project in principle and instruct the team to present to the communities in conjunction with anthropologists to develop HIA. Moved Bernard Singer, seconded Anton Baker All agreed.

1.50pm LUNCH

Members agreed to work through lunch.

3. <u>GFLOWS</u>

RKg displayed maps of work already done. Water is good quality. Good enough to be bottled. RKg displayed many pictures of how the water courses have developed. BS translated into language.

RKg said the research identifies if it is a spring or just a reservoir.

The presentation was NOTED.

4. ELECTORAL COMMISSION SA PRESENTATION AND UPDATE

RKg advised that two submissions were received as a result of the call for submissions re boundaries changed.

TK advised of an email received from David Gull, Deputy Electoral Commissioner, giving details of these two submissions. She read out the email. BS translated.

One submission from Deane Crabb, Secretary of the Electoral Reform Society of South Australia which was related to the actual process for the election of members to the Executive Board.

The second submission dated 26/9/19 to the Electoral Commission was from the following
Anangu requesting a review of APY Electorates and attaching the conciliator's report.Frank YoungMurray GeorgeTrevor AdamsonDonald FraserRonnie Brumby

SS suggested that attempts are being made to gerrymander the boundaries.

RKg asked if Executive Board are okay for this to happen.

SS stated that the way the boundaries are currently set up is okay and fair to everyone.

RKg and TK to check time frame. ACTION

BS said we support the structure as it stands at present. All agreed.

Election of member to Amata.

RKg advised that it is up to the Executive Board if they want to nominate someone to represent Amata as no nominations have been received.

SS left the meeting temporarily.

MM nominated Owen Burton to represent Amata on the Executive Board until the elections in May 2020.

RKg asked if there were any other nominations for Amata.

There being no further nominations for the vacancy for Amata, under Section 9D(7) of the APY LRA Owen Burton is elected to the vacancy. RKg rang and asked Mr Burton if he accepts the nomination, and he agreed and accepted.

Resolution:

The Executive Board resolve to appoint Mr Owen Burton as the member for Amata/Tjurma, to the Executive Board until elections in May 2020.

Moved Bernard Singer, seconded Makinti Minutjukur All agreed.

2.55 pm. Mr Burton stayed on the phone for the remainder of the meeting.

TK itemised other matters from yesterday.

BS spoke in language.

RK advised that there will need to be an election for Pukatja as there are 2 nominations.

MM expressed some concern regarding this election.

3.00pm RM entered the meeting and congratulated Mr Burton on his appointment.

Ara Irititja (continued)

Commercial in confidence and confidential legal advice to APY Executive Board

6. <u>DPTI – Roadworks.</u>

Ben Deegan(BD) presented on behalf of Warren Peterson – Project Manager APY Lands Main Access Road Upgrade Project - Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. Update on progress of works to date, proposed works in the coming months. Report on Anangu employment

Pukatja to Double Tanks. Stage 3 – Mimili to Indulkana works Stage 2 – Fregon to Mimili works

BD stated that they are hoping to increase Anangu Employment which currently stands at 32%. They have trained Anangu operators on various pieces of equipment.

BD handed out aerial photos. He advised in the Western Sensitive areas – pre construction activities to take place February to June 2020.

MM asked about the section from Pukatja to Mulga Park.

BD was not able to confirm the situation with this section, but they will keep going with the road works.

All thanked Ben for presentation. NOTED

Resolution:

The Executive Board wish to enact Section 9(SA) of the APY LRA and delegate to the GM the decisions regarding roadworks from December 1 through to 20 February 2020 in consultation with the Director of APY.

Moved Bernard Singer, seconded Anton Baker All agreed.

Projects for overspend

TK suggested putting up a number of projects. She will write to Nerida Saunders at DPC – Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation with a number of prioritised suggestions.

Suggestions:

APY Exec Board Mtg

- Governance Training 2020.
- Strategic Planning.
- New laptops.
- Consultation costs towards Mintabie.

SS suggested the strategic planning workshops as the first priority. \$10,000.

BS suggested that the Pukatja shower block should be included.

TK said there is funding for a shelter.

Suggested deferring to next meeting.

Resolution:

The Executive Board have reviewed the priorities and approve that it be forwarded to the DPC-R.

Moved Bernard Singer, seconded Anton Baker All agreed.

Message to the community at Yuendumu.

RKg suggested sending a message to Anangu at Yuendumu.

Executive Board acknowledge the sad time they are going through at the moment and encourage to work with the communities and wish everyone well and let them know that we are thinking of them.

SS closed the meeting at 5.30pm approx.