



Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Monday 16th March, 2020**

Start time: 2.00 pm SA Time

Location: Over the phone link up 1800 062 923 Pin: 744 6060 38246

Present On phone: Marita Baker (MB), Rex Tjami (RT), Bernard Singer (BS), Tjutjana (Nyunmiti) Burton (NB), Murray George (MG), Nyukana Norris (NN), Owen Burton (OB), Anton Baker (AB), Sally Scales (SS), Makinti Minutjukur (MM), Nyukana Norris (NN), Julianne Campbell (JC), Richard Kanari (RC), Gary Lewis (GL), Richard King (RKg), Tania King (TK), & Ruth Morley (RM).

Apologies:

Bernard Singer was nominated by Ebony De Rose to be Proxy. Accepted by Bernard.

As there was no chairperson or vice chairperson present the Board discussed and nominated a Chair for this meeting.

Resolution:

The Executive nominated a Chairperson for the meeting and recommended that Mr Bernard Singer Chair the meeting today. Bernard Singer accepted in the event Sally called in during the meeting.

The APY Executive Board of Management discussed and recommended that Bernard Singer act as Chairperson for the meeting, in the absence of the Chairperson.

Moved: Marita Baker

Seconded: Owen Burton

All in favour

RK Welcomed everyone to the meeting and discussed the purpose and importance of the meeting. The Purpose is to provide an update and complete delegations for emergency management of the COVID-19 on the APY Lands.

RK explained the response of the Federal government is to stop non-essential travel. RK suggested the Board consider the same for the Lands.

APY Executive Board members spoke in great deal in language about the Virus and the risk to Anangu.

RK provided some suggestions for the Boards consideration and to send message across to PY Media and on our Websites and Media outlets.

Resolution:

The APY Executive Board of Management approve the General Manager to send out this messaging and inform media outlets. Stating

- **No travel between communities and NT / SA / WA**
- **No travel off and then onto the APY Lands**
- **Not practice cultural business that requires movement across the lands, between WA/NT/SA and between communities in to the future**
- **Not to hold large gatherings**
- **Anangu are encouraged to stay at home and not to travel between communities until further notice**

Moved: Owen Burton

Seconded: Bernard Singer

All in favour.

RK and the Board Discussed protecting vulnerable people on the lands and ensuring they are kept safe and healthy during this time.

Resolution:

1. **We the APY Executive Board give approval and endorse working in conjunction with Nganampa Health program to support vulnerable people by exploring available options and supporting them on the lands. Supports the movement of the most vulnerable to isolation in homelands and to seek the support of NHC, NPYWC and the Department of Health and Well Being SA and Department of Health CTH**

Moved: Owen Burton

Seconded: Richard Kanari

All in favour.

BS chaired and translated this messaging to Executive members.

Sally Scales called in at 2.32pm. SS stated the plan we work in with other specialists. Sally has accepted and taken over the Chairperson role.

MM spoke in language about the COVID-19 messaging across the lands and the importance of health and Safety and restrictions to travel across the Lands.

RK discussed permits and restrictions and suggested the Board pass a resolution.

Resolution

The APY Executive Board of Management approve the following permit restrictions, until further notice. The APY Executive Board give approval for this information to be sent to Media outlets as outlined in these 3 points.

1. Pursuant to section 19, no new permits will be issued for entry onto the APY lands until further notice.
2. All non-essential travel to the APY lands is prohibited of any person or employee of State or Federal Government agency, employees of any non-government organisation. Persons travelling on the APY Lands may be stopped by the Police and asked to produce their permits and state the essential reason for their presence on the lands.
3. For essential services coming to the Lands APY will require a Permit, National Police Check and Statutory declaration

Moved: Richard Kanari **Seconded:** Bernard Singer **All in favour.**

BS asked about Centrelink if they are coming in to the Lands. RK stated that he viewed Centrelink as essential services. BS state he doesn't want anyone coming onto the land. BS stated the bus services Greyhound, Bush Bus, Bush Bee, Mail Plane etc. were examples.

MM stated that Police to check up Permits.

RK discussed with the Board of Management the *Emergency Management Act* he suggested the Board resolved 3 main points of discussion.

Resolution

1. The APY Executive Board resolves the General Manager to:

- a) Recommend that the State Emergency Management Committee establish a North West South Australia Aboriginal Lands Advisory Group under section 11 of the *Emergency Management Act* to include APY, Nganampa Health Council, NPY Women's Council, RASAC and Maralinga Tjarutja.

Moved: Owen Burton **Seconded:** Richard Kanari **All in favour.**

- b) Appoints the General Manager APY, Director APY, Chair APY and Member for Indulkana and Member for Pipalyatjara to the NW SA Aboriginal Lands Advisory Group if it is established.

Moved: Richard Kanari **Seconded:** Bernard Singer **All in favour**

- c) Recommends that the NW SA Aboriginal Lands group is to communicate its plans and actions to, and work cooperatively with, the Central Land Council (NT) and Ngaanyatjarra Council (WA).

Moved: Owen Burton **Seconded:** Anton Baker **All in favour**

Resolution

2. The APY Executive Board supports the delegation of power of the SEMC to the NW SA Aboriginal Lands Advisory Committee pursuant to section 12 of the *Emergency Management Act* with respect to its functions and powers under section 9 of the *Emergency Management Act* and any other powers given to it by the State Coordinator pursuant to section 18 of the *Emergency Management Act*.

Moved: Owen Burton Seconded: Anton Baker All In favour.

3. The APY Executive Board seeks the cooperation and specific assistance with respect to monitoring entry onto the APY Lands and movement of the lands to restrict movement of Anangu and Piranpa on the Lands with the support of the Commissioner of Police South Australia.

Moved: Owen Burton Seconded: Richard Kanari All In favour.

Other Business:

The APY Executive Board discussed Owen Burtons suggestion of being paid \$600 for this meeting in regards to the seriousness of it and the ongoing discussions Board members are having with their communities and families across the lands.

Resolution:

The APY Executive Board of Management approve for the Executive board members to be paid sitting fees for this Emergency meeting.

Moved: Richard Kanari Seconded: Anton Baker

TK reminded Board members the Next meeting will be over then phone in April, 2020. All agreed.

Meeting closed: 3.32pm