

**Executive Meeting No. 2 of 2006/2007
6 - 7 September 2006 at Umuwa
Minutes**

Day 1

Present:	Chairperson	Bernard Singer
	Deputy Chairperson	Leonard Burton
	Anilayla	Kawaki Thompson
	Kaltjiti	Murray George
	Mimili	Tony Campbell
	Murputja	Mike Williams
	Pukatja	Gary Lewis
	Kalka/Pipalyatjara	Ina Scales
	Watarru	Charlie Anytjipalya
	Director	Rex Tjami
	Legal Officer	Nicola Thompson

1. Welcome

The meeting opened at 11.45am with a prayer by Kawaki Thompson.

Bernard Singer welcomed everyone to the meeting and Ina Scales who is representing Kalka/Pipalyatjara. It was noted that we received written confirmation of Ina's appointment from the community.

Bernard Singer said before starting the meeting we need to have minutes silence for the George family as a family member passed away.

Bernard Singer also informed the meeting that as the General Manager, Ken Newman is on holidays, Nicola Thompson will be taking the minutes.

2. TAFE SA – Mary Cielens

Bernard Singer welcomed Marty Cielens of TAFE SA

Marty introduced himself to the members and explained that he wanted to give the Executive a picture of what they want to do with governance training on the lands.

Marty showed the Executive a presentation on what TAFE want to achieve on the Lands:

- training and support program to assist community councils
- good skills for employees so they can help Anangu organisations achieve their goals
- training for young Anangu to develop leadership skills
- new training materials to support leaders, managers and employees

TAFE SA want to develop a staff induction program for government and agency employees to understand Anangu culture and understand obligations to communities and to learn to work together, Anangu and White organisations.

TAFE SA also want to develop leadership program for young Anangu by working with schools and co-operation with other agencies.

TAFE SA needs help from APY to make all this work, and need input from the Executive members.

The members were very strong on the fact that Anangu need training in the communities and they want to learn, and that TAFE need to focus on what communities and Anangu Tjuti want. It was stressed that it is the responsibility of Anangu to employ a co-ordinator and give directions about how to undertake this training.

It was also expressed that the training should not be done by government contractors, that we need to give the skills to people on the Lands.

Marty said that he would continue to talk to APY Administration, and asked the Executive members to talk to communities and get their feedback and he will return to Executive and talk about the issues further. Bernard Singer said that WP will provide more input to Marty too.

Bernard Singer thanked Marty for coming along to the meeting.

3. ITEC – Julie Sheehan & Fiona Butcher

Bernard Singer welcomed Julie and Fiona and everyone introduced themselves

Julie thanked Executive for inviting them and introduced themselves. They are here to help employment on the lands and they want to work together with the communities.

Julie explained that Job network is a DEWR service; ITEC got the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands component. Centrelink sent them a list of people on Centrelink pensions or CDEP and they need to work with those people to help them get jobs.

Julie explained the type of programs that they have including personnel support, disability and youth programs. They will also receive funding to provide training to communities, and they explained that there are lots of programs to help communities do their own things, do their own training, they want to work with communities to find out what they want to do.

There was some concern expressed about the fact that CDEP will finish shortly and Anangu will not have time to train and get jobs, that there are too many changes to the government policies and Anangu are not informed of the changes and they will not have time to prepare.

There was also concern about outsiders coming into communities that it may not work effectively.

There was much support for Anangu to receive training so that they are able to have proper jobs, and young people can do apprenticeships and Anangu can run businesses such as Wali K.

Julie said that they will work with communities to get work happening in the communities as soon as possible. Julie said that they would like to have some space in the council

offices so everyone knows where we are so they can come and see them, to ensure that Anangu do not lose their Centrelink and ITEC do the right thing by the communities.

Bernard Singer said RTC's are coming and also there are Centrelink people in the offices in the communities and ITEC could work in with them. Bernard Singer said they also need to get Permits before they come onto the Lands and let Community know in advance.

Bernard Singer thanked ITEC for coming.

4. Cross-Fostering of Waru in Adelaide Zoo Presentation – Belinda Cooke

Bernard Singer welcomed Belinda Cooke from Land Management

Land Management is really worried about waru on the lands and she wanted to discuss some ideas they had to help with the waru.

Land Management wants to increase the numbers of waru before they disappear. Belinda explained the Zoo fostering of Waru program at Adelaide Zoo and what is involved.

Bernard Singer asked what else Land Management has been doing.

Belinda said that Land Management have been fox baiting since 2000 in New Well, Alalka, Kalka and Wanitjara which kills both foxes and dingos. Land Management also does aerial baiting with a helicopter.

Belinda explained that there used to be Waru everywhere but they have disappeared very quickly, DEH and Land Management have been looking for them but they have only found a small number of Waru.

Belinda explained if they do this program they won't stop doing the baiting work. Belinda said that the program will take 10 years to get sufficient numbers of Waru before they can come back to the Lands. They make take 30 waru and put them in pouches and they will breed and then maybe in 10 years, we will take them back to the Lands. The Waru will still belong to Anangu which means that Anangu will always have a say about their care and welfare including all the Waru offspring, Anangu will also be able to visit the Waru. The waru will not disappear.

Belinda explained that it's a good time for looking at this problem because Land Management know about the Waru numbers, such as the numbers of females and males as they have captured waru to study them in the last year. They have found out lots of information about them, such as their weight and how to trap them without hurting them.

So Land Management need to know if Executive is happy with the proposal then Land Management will go out and talk to communities about it.

The Executive support the program if Belinda goes out to communities and talk to Kungkas' as it's a Kungka issue and then report back to the Executive at the next meeting.

5. Sub-Committee Meetings

Gary Lewis raised issue of getting paid for Sub-Committee work.

This will be discussed by the Administration and it can be discussed at the next Executive Meeting.

The Sub Committee meetings were held at 3.40pm

1. **Mining Subcommittee** – Bernard Singer, Leonard Burton, Murray George
This meeting closed at 4pm.
2. **APY Development Committee** – Gary Lewis, Tony Campbell, Leonard Burton
This meeting closed at 4.40pm.

Day 2

Present:	Deputy Chairperson	Leonard Burton
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	Kaltjiti	Murray George
	Mimili	Tony Campbell
	Murputja	Mike Williams
	Pukatja	Gary Lewis
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1. Welcome

The meeting opened at 11.25am. Leonard Burton welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that he would be chairing the meeting today as Bernard Singer is unable to be present.

2. Previous Minutes of Meeting No. 1 of 2006/2007 – 5 July 2006

The previous Minutes of Meeting No1 of 5 July were discussed and read by the Legal Officer and were accepted without alteration.

Moved: Mike Williams
Second: Gary Lewis
Carried: All

3. Correspondence In/Out

<i>In</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Issue</i>
03/07/06	OCBA	Retail & Commercial Leases Act Exemption
20/07/06	Minister Andrews	CDEP
27/07/06	ACHM	Distribution Meetings for Rio Tinto EL2907/2908
08/08/06	Philip Davies	APY Meeting in Canberra
11/08/06	Minister Rankine	Local Government Funding
14/08/06	Mal Brough MP	Homelands
22/08/06	Joslene Mazel (DPC)	Aboriginal Economic Development

23/08/06	Kaltjiti Community	AP Services
30/08/06	Law Society NT	Legal Files
01/09/06	ACHM	Progress Report on Kenmore cattle venture

Out	To	Issue
13/07/06	Peter Shergold (DPC)	APY Meeting in Canberra
13/07/06	Bob Harvey (DEWR)	APY Meeting in Canberra
13/07/06	Philip Davies (DOHA)	APY Meeting in Canberra
08/08/06	Cameron Cooper	Convictions & Lack of Attendance at Meetings
17/08/06	Jeff Harmer (FACSA)	APY Meeting in Canberra
17/08/06	Wayne Gibbons (FACSA)	APY Meeting in Canberra
18/08/06	Fittock & Co	Lease at 3 Wilkinson Street, Alice Springs
22/08/06	Members of Parliament	APY Land Rights (Regulated Substances) Amendment Bill 2006
23/08/06	Joslene Mazel (DPC)	Review of APY Land Rights Act 1981
30/08/06	Telstra	APY Payphone
04/09/06	Fittock & Co	Lease at 3 Wilkinson Street, Alice Springs

In relation to CDEP, Gary Lewis discussed an open letter to the Prime Minister from Arnhem Land, talking about important issues and how the Prime Minister stated that cultural business is too long and the need for Anangu to develop a work ethic.

Action: write a letter from APY on behalf of Anangu to the Prime Minister concerning CDEP about the importance of cultural business and explaining that there is often no time to arrange cultural leave in advance. We need to explain that as we have the title to the APY Lands, Anangu have sacred sites to preserve and important work to do as stated in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981.

In relation to Local Government funding, Kawaki Thompson said that there should be more funding for roads.

Rex Tjami explained that at the next Executive meeting we would discuss the budget for the spending of the Local Government Funding.

There was much discussion regarding the letter from Mal Brough on Homelands and regarding the fax from Kaltiji Community regarding APY Services.

Resolution

That APY call a SGM regarding APY Services as requested by APY members as soon as possible. APY to request the Chairperson and General Manager of APY Services to attend.

Moved: Mike Williams
Second: Murray George
Carried: All

Business Arising from the Minutes

4. Police Association of South Australia

Leonard Burton welcomed the members of the Police Association and the board members introduced themselves.

Bob Smith and Ruth Morley explained why we asked the Police Association to attend, in order to discuss policing in the communities. They explained that the Association are very good at talking to Politicians and help us to get Police in our communities on the APY Lands.

Mr Alexander addressed the Executive and thanked the Executive for inviting them. Mr Alexander told the Executive that they want to help APY Lands to get a better service from Police on the Lands. They want to hear from the Executive in order to speak to the Police Commissioner and the Government to encourage recruitment of Police and Community Constables on the Lands where they are needed. Their job is also to ensure that Police numbers are increased and to ensure that they have good conditions with housing and pay.

There was discussion about the problems of Police not being on the Lands and Police coming from Marla and Port Augusta to Police the Lands instead.

Mr Alexander wants to work with APY regarding the lack of support for community constables due to limited numbers of sworn police on the Lands and increase numbers of Police on the Lands.

Gary Lewis stated that we need more community constables in the communities where there are none at the moment such as Amata, Pukatja and Fregon.

Mr Alexander is going to speak to the Politicians about improving the situation on the Lands. They would like a letter from Executive outlining their concerns regarding lack of community constables.

Ina Scales asked the Police Association regarding Anangu who have previous convictions and how they could become community Constables.

Mr Alexander stated they want people working in the community and they will talk to the Police Commissioner and Politicians about changing the rule about Anangu not being able to become community constables if they have a previous convictions if they are now good people who want to work as community constables.

Gary Lewis stated that community constables do not have housing in the communities and that they should have the some conditions.

Mr Alexander said that they would look at that as he too agreed that they should have the same conditions.

Kawaki Thompson stated that Police and community constables need to work together with communities to ensure that the young people and communities are safe.

There was some more discussion about cultural differences and respecting Anangu ways.

Leonard Burton thanked the SA Police Association for attending the meeting.

Action: Write to SA Police Association setting out Anangu concerns regarding not enough Community Constables and sworn Police Officers on the Lands, the fact that if Anangu have previous convictions they cannot be a Community constable

and that the community constables should have the same conditions as Police Officers.

5. Dixon Partnership Consultants

Leonard Burton welcomed Dixons to the meeting.

They showed the Executive a presentation which discussed RPA's and SRA's and how they can be used to strengthen partnerships so Anangu can provide good employment opportunities for their young people.

They discussed their visits to communities, Watarru, Indulkana, Amata, Pipalyatjara and Kalka where they got ideas about how the young people can look after country and also stay fit and healthy.

They will use these ideas, needs and interests to develop partnership agreements with communities which will become SRA's.

They have also been asked to develop RPA's between APY, State and Commonwealth Governments about caring for country and youth activities and to make that partnership stronger at that level.

They want to prepare a scoping paper about ideas for these agreements and how they will work which they will present to Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara and community councils. They will then want to hold a 2 day workshop to discuss the scoping paper.

Timeline:

September

Scoping paper on RPA's

Early October

Workshop on RPA's

Visit communities

Late October

Meet with TKP

October/November

Develop SRA's with each community and government

There is some concern expressed about moving too quickly with partnerships, that it's a big thing for Anangu and it takes a long time to work with everyone.

There was also concern about money been given to outside contractors which is taking funding away from communities to provide services such as Municipal Service sand that SRA's do not work, that SRA's have not delivered in other areas so it may not work on the Lands so APY have to work together with communities to make it work.

New Business

6. Cattle Management

Kunmanu Morley and Troy Coe discussed the progress of the Cattle business issue.

Kunmanu discussed how agistment agreements are not working for Anangu as they do not get paid proper money and the cattle destroy the land.

APY have developed a pastoral development lease and it was explained how the lease will work for Anangu.

It was explained that a lease will not be given unless the Anthropologists confirm that Traditional Owners have consented to it.

There was extensive discussions about how the lease will work in practice and about how Anangu need to still focus on looking after sacred sites and protecting Waru and removing ferals such as camels, so we need to think about this issue slowly because it is a serious thing.

Kunmanu and Troy explained how the Leases will help to control the feral animal problem and cattle damaging the Lands because it will ensure that there are good fences and the traditional owners still have the power to protect cultural sites.

Kunmanu and Troy provided a detailed explanation regarding what a lease agreement would do and how the money story works and there was extensive discussion among the Members on these topics.

Resolution

That APY agrees to grant 5 years leases to Anangu for Pastoral Enterprises and authorises Land Management and Legal to finalise the terms of those leases and authorises the affixing of the seal to the lease.

The lease is conditional upon APY receiving advice from APY Anthropologist that the Traditional Owners have approved it.

Moved: Tony Campbell
Second: Mike Williams
Carried: All

Other Business

7. Permit Application – Nicholas Rothwell: The Australian

Amelia explained that she has received an application for a permit for Nicholas Rothwell from the Australian Newspaper who has been requested to do a story on Artists in Kanpi, Nyapari and Watarru by Amanda Dent. PY Media have concerns about Nicholas as he has written unfavourable stories about APY Lands in the past.

Resolution

That APY talk to the Chairman of Tjungu Palya, Kanpi and Nyapari telling them that Nicholas Rothwell is not welcome.

*Moved: Murray George
Second: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All*

8. Anthropological Report – Fiona Sutherland and Andrew Morley

Fiona and Andrew presented their tabled report to the Executive Board.

They discussed the following issues from her report:

- a) *Cattle* – Fiona explained the work that she and Andrew have done on the Kenmore Cattle area;
- b) *PepinNini* – Fiona explained the status of this ELA; Gary Lewis requested the report regarding this ELA when it is completed by the Anthro's;
- c) *Roadworks* - Fiona expressed their concern that AP Services are going outside of the area which was approved by the Anthropologist's with the traditional owner's

There was extensive discussion about how to resolve this situation

Resolution

That APY Executive Board direct AP Services to discontinue their current road works activities between the WA border and the Amata turn off along the Gun Barrel Highway until they are given the appropriate clearances by traditional owner's through the APY Anthropologist.

*Moved: Mike Williams
Second: Murray George
Carried: All*

Fiona read through the remaining items in the tabled report.

9. APY Development Applications

Meg Bartholomew from AP Services read through her tabled report.

- a) Meg discussed the issue of R & M rent increase and explained why the rent should be increased and asked for the Executive to support the increase and recommend how much it should increase.

There was some discussion about this issue.

Resolution

That Community housing rents be increased to: \$15.00 for CDEP and Centrelink; and \$35.00 for people on salary.

Moved: Tony Campbell

Second: Mike Williams

Carried: All

- b) Meg asked for support from APY to support AP Services in their Housing Program and request other service providers to co-operate with providing information to AP Services which they require to do their job such as information about who is receiving CDEP and Centrelink benefits. There was extensive discussion among the Members on this issue.

Resolution

That APY write to Community Council Chairpersons asking them to supply information about people living in each house, who is on CDEP / Centrelink and who is on salary so that we can charge proper rent.

Moved: Gary Lewis

Second: Murray George

Carried: All

10. Aboriginal Lands Parliamentary Standing Committee

The Executive Board was informed that the Aboriginal Lands Parliamentary Standing Committee meeting has been postponed until the end of October 2006 instead of 11-15 September 2006 so they can be here for our Festival.

11. Nganampa Manta Iriti-nguru Kuwari-Kutu Festival Update

The Executive Board was informed the name for the 25 year Celebration is Nganampa Manta Iriti-nguru Kuwari-Kutu Festival.

12. Date of Next Executive Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for 4 October 2006 at Umuwa

It was decided that the Legal Report which was to cover the remaining items of correspondence which was not covered earlier and the Briefing on the Visit to Canberra should be deferred until the next meeting as there were no further resolutions required and one of our Executive Members had family commitments.

The meeting ended at 7.45pm

Minutes by Nicola Thompson