

**Executive Meeting No. 9 of 2007/2008  
9 April 2008 at Umuwa**

<b>Present:</b>	Chairperson	Bernard Singer
	Amata	Leonard Burton (1:20 pm)
	Anilayla	Kawaki Thompson
	Indulkana	Max Kenny
	Kaltjiti	proxy Leonard Burton
	Mimili	Tony Campbell
	Murputja	proxy Bernard Singer
	Pukatja	Gary Lewis
	Kalka/Pipalyatjara	Sean Williamson
	Watarru	Charlie Anytjipalya

APY Staff - Ken Newman, Rex Tjami, Peter Huntington

**1. Welcome**

The meeting commenced at 11.30am and Bernard Singer welcomed everyone along. Sean Williamson gave an opening prayer.

**New Business**

**2. Wingellina Nickel Project – J Thurtell and Veronica Klinenko (Lawyer)**

John Thurtell wanted to brief Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Executive Board on this project from the Ngaanyatjara Council. Metals X (the mining company) is coming to talk to the Executive Board next month.

Metals X have exploration licences all around Wingellina, WA and also around Claude Hills area in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands. If there is enough Nickel and cobalt in the ground and they get approval from both sides, the mine could last for 80 years. The find is about 10 km long x 2 km wide. Metals X also has Chinese shareholders. They are now funding feasibility reports. Anangu are still thinking about it but the planning has to consider it going ahead. They have set up a Coordination Committee and Mr Bruce Smith has been employed as a Liaison Officer with N.C. They have to do a S.I.A. – Social Impact Assessment on the Ngaanyatjara Lands and the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands. The consultants that do the WA communities they also want to come to the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands to talk with Anangu here as well. They want to talk to people about the impact of the mine and find out what people think about it.

The studies and negotiations will take about 2 years and if ok, about 2 more years to construct a mine. There could be 1000 people employed in the construction of the mine, accommodation and dam. After construction about 250 people would be employed when operational. By laws would apply to all workers in relation to grog, etc. and also would not be able to go off the site.

They would also construct a big processor that goes 24 hrs/day all year long. Workers will fly in fly out. There will be a mine, a village, a processor, a big hole (sc ) on the ground, dump of the old ground when Nickel is taken out, tailing dam, calcrete quarries. There is also a need for water and it is planned to go deep into the Officer Basin.

There will also be roads and/or rail. They also need gas to run it which may come from the Mereenie fields in the NT.

They may even have to think about moving Iruntju (Wingellina) because it is only 2-3 km away. It will be noisy, dusty, planes in/out, etc. if the mine goes ahead. It is still early days but they wanted to let Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara know what they are doing.

Mr Burton said it is very important to ensure the correct traditional owners are located to discuss such an important matter. John Thurtell suggests that Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara also have a Liaison Officer for this project but paid for by Metals X.

Mr Burton said they need to have a Liaison officer who can get out there and identify the real custodians and traditional owners. John said whatever happens will probably require two agreements, one for NC side and one for the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands.

### **3. Review of Amendments to the APY Land Rights Act – J Thurtell**

John Thurtell said that in 2005 amendments were made to the *APY Land Rights Act* about the Executive. A review was built into those amendments and there are 3 members John Thurtell, Mary Anderson and Gary Lewis. They will go around to the communities as well as meet with organisations about the amendments. It is not about Land Rights but the changes made in 2005.

Mr Leonard Burton said there needs to be a Council meeting followed by a community meeting so Anangu are informed. In this way they can talk about any problems that have come up since the amendments were made.

John Thurtell said before they go to communities they will do up a briefing on the changes that were made at the time.

The SAG wanted the consultations by end of April and report by end of June, John Thurtell said this is not realistic but perhaps they will start consultancy in May and maybe have the report in July.

Mary Anderson said that Executive need to report back to their communities but properly advise them it is only about the amendments made in 2005 not about taking away Land Rights.

The meeting adjourned for Lunch at 1.20pm and re-commenced at 2.05pm

### **4. Planning and Development Matters – David Caspar**

David was introduced by Bernard Singer as the new Planning Officer for Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara.

#### **a. Police Stations at Amata and Ernabella – Ingrid Kerkoren and Tom Carter**

Tom Carter said there will be 2 police based at each police station and Community Constables. Police Office also incorporates an area for the Courts. The cells will only be used for short periods of time. The apartments will be used for visiting Police etc.

Mr Burton asked about the existing housing at Murputja and Sgt Tom Carter said he understands the housing will remain and the Amata and Ernabella will be additional. Because the old Police houses are asbestos they may have to be removed and the sites perhaps will be returned to serviced sites for other construction.

Plans were provided to all members of the project.

Bernard Singer said there have been negative stories from the Minister that Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara has held up the leases for the Police Station but Anangu have been very supportive of the Police Stations. Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara has not yet been asked for a lease on the Police Stations.

Bernard Singer advised the supplied plans only have a pit toilet at the court house and Police Station. There needs to be proper, modern facilities for Anangu that include toilets, sinks and drinking water for Anangu attending Court.

***The Executive discussed the projects and approved the two Police Stations as presented upon the condition that modern toilet, sinks and drinking water are installed for Anangu visitors to the Station and Court.***

Moved: Max Kenny  
Second: Leonard Burton  
Carried: All

**b. Single Men's Quarters at Mimili – Gini Lee, David Morris**

David Morris gave a summary of how they first came to the Lands 5 years ago and have held 7 visits so far. A briefing paper was provided to all members. There is also another meeting at Mimili tomorrow. It is planned for it to be a joint venture with students in Adelaide and TAFE students at Mimili.

**c. Houses at Indulkana, Amata and Pipalyatjara**

Kym Freer and Phil Hespe of Asset Services attended the meeting. Kym explained they deliver the CHiP program, the new housing and major upgrading. They are now looking at larger number of houses at the same time to get better value and also get better Indigenous employment and training. It also gives a longer contract so contractors can link in with other agencies on the Lands ie) the 9 houses at Indulkana will have landscaping, etc. There are also plans to take some items out of contracts that can be provided to a local workforce, if available.

There is a big back log of work to be done which should be contracted out by December 2008. There are another 10 houses on the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands and 18 major upgrades. The new houses cost about \$320,000 to build.

Phil Hespe has some models for Anangu housing that have come up through consultations at different communities. He went through the different designs. In relation to Indulkana, there was concern about the sites for the proposed 9 houses.

They are also talking to the communities about 2 houses at Amata, 2 houses at Pipalyatjara and 1 house at Kalka.

Jude Allen (OAH) said there was an issue at Indulkana about providing an Anangu house for the Store Manager. The Store Managers are threatening to leave if they don't get a new house. Jude said they would go to Indulkana and have a meeting about it.

**d. Community Structure Plans**

The General Manager reminded Executive that Meg Bartholomew and Mike Harvey addressed the August 07 Executive meeting about the problems with them. They have now been amended and are ready for signing off.

**Resolution**

*That Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Executive Board sign off on the six (6) amended community structure plans for Kanpi, Nyapari, Amata, Pipalyatjara, Watarru and Pukatja.*

Moved: Tony Campbell  
Second: Kawaki Thompson  
Carried: All

**Resolution**

*That Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Executive Board sign off on the three (3) amended CSP for Yunyarinyi, Mimili and Indulkana provided the communities sign off on them as well.*

Moved: Tony Campbell  
Second: Kawaki Thompson  
Carried: All

## 5. Youth Engagement Program – Meredith Clark

Meredith provided a handout to all members and gave a summary of the program. There was discussion about how it is good to have the diversionary programs but they also should have Anangu involved in delivering the program. There may be a need for a Case Manager based on the Lands.

Executive Members said the Government workers need to report regularly to Community Councils on their progress, not just through newsletters. It was considered the Government often start programs and then take them away. There needs to be more accountability to the communities where they operate their programs.

Kawaki Thompson was concerned that only the larger communities are targeted and the smaller places miss out.

Bernard Singer told Meredith it is important to get out and talk with people in the communities. Meredith said she would do this.

## 6. Owen Burton – Amata School Trip to Darwin

Owen Burton reported on Amata School asking for assistance for a school trip to Darwin in late May 2008. Bernard Singer said that for the next Executive Board meeting Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara would need to receive a letter from the Amata School detailing what they want funds for and how much and give Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara a planned budget.

## 7. Anthropology Matters – Andrew Morley, Janelle White

Andrew provided a written report for all members detailing the work done since the last meeting. There were concerns about recent disturbances to the Chalky Hill site where quarrying has occurred. Also some new fences have been erected north of Mimili but no one knows who put them there. Further inquiries will be made.

ACHM will report back next month with ideas for a sign about Chalky Hill.

It was also explained that some cheques have gone missing for Traditional Owners clearance and these are still being followed up.

## 8. Land Management – Rodney Edwards

Rodney provided a report for all Executive Board Members.

### a) AW NRM Board

APY is assisting the AW NRM Board to draft a project for the removal of athel pines at Kenmore.

### b) Funding

**Horse breaking:** Funding is yet to be finalized but it is expected that ILC/FarmBiz will fund the training. ITEC is providing the protective clothing provided to participants registered with ITEC. Registration with ITEC needs to be done as early as possible.

**Working on country:** APY was successful in receiving significant funding from this program. The Draft Contracts and Schedules have been forwarded to Land Management for discussion and negotiation around the activities to be funded.

### c) Planning

**Watarru Indigenous Protected Areas Planning:** Bruce Campbell will be offered a contract to review the Watarru IPA Plan and will commence the last week of April or first week May.

**DEH visit:** The DEH would like to attend the next Exec meeting to discuss the Kuka Kanyini Agreement. The Agreement is to be reviewed after 12 months. Charlie Anytjipalya asked for support for the Kuka Kanyini program at Watarru. He said they need to look after a lot of threatened species and they could involve them young people at Watarru. DEH will be asked to attend the next Exec meeting to talk about the Agreement for Kuka Kanyini and its review.

It is requested to have Jacqui Lawson and Peter Kay from DFC to attend the next Executive meeting in May 2008 and Meredith Clark DPC

#### **DKCRC:**

Murray Macgregor has contacted Land Management regarding progress of the research protocols. This is to be followed-up. Thalie Partridge is going to represent APY at the Cross Regional Camel meeting in Alice on 7 May 2008.

#### **THREATENED SPECIES PROGRAM:**

*TSN Workshop:* Ten Anangu women participated in the Threatened Species Recovery Workshop in Alice Springs. Five were sponsored by DEH/Watarru Kuka Kunyini. Four Warru Minyma participated and provided input in all sessions. Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara was highly visible and received very good feedback on all the work they are doing.

*Tjakura:* Steve McAlpin and DEH staff are working with Watarru families and Traditional Owners surveying for new tjakura colonies and monitoring known colonies. Thalie Partridge has drafted the APY Tjakura Management Plan. This will be presented to the Executive for endorsement after some more consultation. It will go on the APY website to allow other people to view it. The Threatened Species Recovery Workshop praised Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara for doing this plan.

*Warru: Trapping program:* The next round of trapping for New Well, Alaka and Kalka is scheduled for 26 May to 8 June. This trapping will look for changes in the population; change the radio collars to satellite transmitters for easier and more regular monitoring; and, possibly trap at Kalka to take some baby warru to Monarto.

*Monitoring:* All except one of the 13 warru with radio collars is alive and well. John Reed monitored the scat quadrats and found some new sites with young warru.

*Warru Officer:* Anika Dent was recruited and commenced work in March as the Warru Officer. She is employed until 30 September and will assist the Warru Minyma in everyday baiting and monitoring program at New Well.

#### **LIVESTOCK PROGRAM:**

*Pastoral Development Licenses:* There are still steps to be taken before the Pastoral Development Licenses can be signed. The process underway now is to pay for the business registration (total of \$2500) so that the business name can go on the Pastoral Development License.

*Horse breaking training:* Scheduled for 12 May for 3 weeks. Good collaboration between TAFESA/Charles Darwin Uni (Alice Springs) and support from Dept Premier & Cabinet through Sue Wallace.

*Access to Homelands:* Preliminary discussions have been held with some Anangu Pitjantjatjara Services staff about Land Management accessing un-occupied homelands for use as accommodation for staff and provision of stock water. Land Management is willing to provide for the maintenance of these homelands and waters. Further discussion is needed as the Executive Board said some homelands are vacant for cultural reasons but it does not mean the homeland is un-occupied.

#### **INDIGENOUS PROTECTED AREAS PROGRAM**

*Funding Application:* The draft application submitted last month has been returned for redrafting with a significantly reduced budget. Negotiations will continue.

*Ranger Staff changes:* Earlier in the year, Tjilpi Robin and Antjela Robin retired and the positions have now been taken up by Munty Robin and Joyce Robin.

*Vehicles:* The two ranger vehicles have done 300,000 km and are in very poor condition. Both Sandy's Bore and Walalkara had extensive work done over summer and now need additional work. It is proposed to replace these as soon as possible with Working On Country funding through the Fleet SA pre-auction purchase system.

#### **9. Legal Matters – Peter Huntington**

The Legal report was provided to each Member in their folders.

### **a. Housing Consultations**

Mr Lewis said he has written 32 questions to Joslene Mazel that he would like answered before the meeting planned at Pukatja for 30 April 2008. He provided a copy of that letter to all Executive Board Members.

#### **Resolution**

*That Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara investigates options for passive welfare reforms for discussions at a future Executive Board Meeting.*

Moved: Kawaki Thompson  
Second: Charlie Anytjilpalya  
Carried: All

### **b. AP Services Governing Committee**

The AP Services Governing Committee was raised and Leonard Burton said this matter is going to be discussed at a meeting next week in Alice Springs. Bernard Singer asked if the meeting arranged with ORATSIC took place as planned, but it did not. Rex Tjami said the APS Governing Committee have to sort it out how they are going to operate.

### **c. Housing and Offices at Umuwa**

Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara owns the houses and buildings on the Lands, unless there has been a written agreement.

In relation to the housing house and office at Umuwa, it was decided the status quo will remain until the APS Governing Committee cleans up their act and report back as one united group to Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara and then we can discuss housing allocations at Umuwa.

### **d. Cattle Business**

The SGM approved the 10 pastoral development licences. It is now a matter for the Executive Board to approve that decision.

#### **Resolution**

*That Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara grants 5-year pastoral development licenses to the following as per the resolutions of the AGM held at Umuwa on 26-27 march 2008.*

- 1. Huey Cullinan for the area on the attached map, known as Yellow Dam Paddock.*
- 2. Witjiti George for the area on the attached map, known as Mulga Bore Paddock.*
- 3. Huey Tjami for the area on the attached map, known as Corkwood, Perentie Bore and Number 13 Paddocks.*
- 4. Teddy Edwards for the area on the attached map, known as Lennon's Swamp Paddock.*
- 5. Wangka for the area on the attached map, known as Morrison Bore Paddock.*
- 6. the Kanari Family for the area on the attached map, known as Granite Downs Paddock.*
- 7. the Singer Family for the area on the attached map, known as Mengerson and Railway Bore Paddocks.*
- 8. Ronnie Brumby for the area on the attached map, known as Bully's Paddock.*
- 9. the Thompson Family for the area on the attached map, known as Black Hills Paddock.*
- 10. Robert Stevens for the area on the attached map, known as West Bore and Shirley Well Paddock.*

Moved: Anton Baker  
Second: Charlie Anytjilpalya  
Carried: All

## **Business Arising from the Minutes**

### **10. Previous Minutes of Meeting No. 8 - 4 March 2008**

The previous Minutes, provided to all members, were summarized and accepted without alteration

Moved: Tony Campbell

Second: Sean Williamson

Carried: All

### **11. Correspondence In/Out**

#### **In**

26/3/08	SAPOL	Police Stations Amata and Pukatja - <b><i>discussed</i></b>
27/3/08	DPC & FaHCSIA	Housing Offer Consultations - <b><i>discussed</i></b>
28/3/08	Stef Rainow	Watarru Store
	<b><i>Discussions suggest the community may be working out their own answer to this problem.</i></b>	
1/4/08	DFC	Aboriginal Disability Network SA – <b><i>Yes to visit</i></b>
	ALRM	Restorative Justice - <b><i>noted</i></b>
	AP Services	Permit request for M Harvey
	Mr Burton said this request was no longer required so the Executive Board did not consider. – <b><i>Permits Officer to be advised</i></b>	
	PY Media	Recording of AGM
	<b><i>Requires written request to APY Chairperson with reasons for request</i></b>	
9/4/08	Kanpi	Support for VET training proposal - <b><i>supported</i></b>

### **12. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be a two day meeting held at Umuwa on 7-8 May 2008. Visitors will be attending from the Coober Pedy District Council and Metals X mining company on the first day and the Department of Defence on the second day.

The meeting ended with a prayer by Kawaki Thompson at 8:55 pm.

Minutes by Ken Newman

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Draft Agenda**

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**6. Single Men's Quarters at Mimili – Gini Lee**

**7. Youth Engagement Program – Meredith Clark**

8. Lease for Ulkiya Homeland – T Adamson and SANFL

**Other Business**

9. Owen Burton Re: school visit

**10. Legal Matters**

11. Land Management

**12. Anthropology Matters**

13. Correspondence In/Out

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**NB - Items in Blue are in Executive Board Member folders**