

**Executive Meeting No. 11 of 2007/2008
19 May 2008 at Umuwa**

Present:	Chairperson	Bernard Singer
	Anilayla	Kawaki Thompson
	Mimili	Tony Campbell
	Murputja	Anton Baker (by telephone from Kanpi)
	Kalka/Pipalyatjara	Sean Williamson (by telephone from Yalata)
	Watarru	Charlie Anytjipalya (by telephone from Alice Springs)

Apology: Max Kenny (in Alice Hospital)

APY Staff - Rex Tjami, Peter Huntington

1. Welcome

Bernard Singer opened the meeting at 3:10 pm. The meeting was conducted in the General Manager's office using the conference phone and Telstra conference services. The conference was recorded and a CD called for.

2. Reason for Meeting

The Chairperson opened the meeting and asked the Legal Officer to explain why the meeting was called. The Legal Officer explained that Leonard Burton had called at Umuwa asking that the SGM be changed to the week commencing 19 May 2008 at the request of Joslene Mazel. The next day a letter from Acting Minister Gago arrived asking for an Executive Board meeting to appoint an Acting Chair. This was responded to advising that an Acting Chair was not needed and that the situation would be discussed at the SGM on 28 - 29 May 2008 and at the Executive Board meeting on 30 May 2008.

Burton then falsified the General Manager's letterhead to call an Executive Board meeting at Amata on 19 May 2008 which was switched to Alice Springs on Friday afternoon. An employee of AP Services was making the arrangements including accommodation. Burton told the Chairperson and Director that he could not change what he was doing without speaking to Joslene Mazel.

Resolution

That Administration refer to appropriate agencies the notice issued by Leonard Burton for a meeting of the Executive Board at Amata today and the possible influence of Burton and funding of that proposed meeting by third parties to appropriate agencies.

Moved: Anton Baker
Seconded: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All

3. Bungala CDEP and Indulkana

The Legal Officer explained that Bungala had written to APY enclosing a Police Statement of Larkin's alleging assault by the Chairperson in support of a request that he be dealt with under the Code of Conduct. The statement contained serious unproved allegations which were being defended. Otherwise there had been no response to APY's request for comment about whether Larkins destroyed the tree as reported by the APY Planning Officer.

Resolution

That Administration refers to appropriate agencies the circulation of a police statement by Bungala for commercial purposes.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Seconded: Tony Campbell
Carried: All

Resolution

That Mr Larkin's permit be cancelled.

Moved: Punch Thompson
Seconded: Anton Baker
Carried: All

4. DPC-AARD

The Chairperson explained that DPC-AARD has been said by Burton to have directed his actions concerning 19 May 2008 events.

Resolution

That Administration refer to appropriate agencies concerns and complaints concerning DPC-AARD.

Moved: Tony Campbell
Seconded: Punch Thompson
Carried: All

Resolution

Pending the resolution of such concerns, the permit of J Mazel not be renewed and that Administration object to her attendance on the Lands under Section 19 (10).

Moved: Charlie Anytjipalya
Seconded: Anton Baker
Carried: All

5. Legal Action

The Legal Officer explained that if legal action was needed, than a resolution of the Executive Board would be needed to retain lawyers to act on behalf of APY.

Resolution

That Solicitors be engaged for APY and the Chairperson to act on any matter determined by the General Manager and the Director of Administration as being necessary to protect the interests of APY and Anangu including, but not limited to, the matters set out in the agenda for today's meeting.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Seconded: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All

6. Support for Chairperson

The Chairperson asked if he had the support of the Members of the Executive Board.

Resolution

That Bernard Singer be confirmed as Chairperson of APY and that there be a vote of confidence in his performance of that role.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Seconded: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All

7. Leonard Burton

Sean Williamson advised that he had been called by Burton on the morning of 19 May 2008 and spoke to him very briefly. Sean said that any meeting should be in Umuwa and that he would not participate in the meeting called by Burton

Resolution

That Leonard Burton has not been appointed Acting Chairperson of APY and is not the Acting Chairperson.

Moved: Punch Thompson
Seconded: Anton Baker
Carried: All

Resolution

That Leonard Burton is reprimanded for claiming to be Acting Chairperson and for claiming to call a meeting of the Executive Board today.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Seconded: Punch Thompson
Carried: All

Resolution

That if any resolution was made at the meeting in Alice Springs claimed to have been called by Leonard Burton, that without accepting the legitimacy of the meeting, any such resolutions are rescinded.

Moved: Tony Campbell
Seconded: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All

Resolution

That Leonard Burton is not authorised to call any meetings or further meetings of the Executive Board.

Moved: Anton Baker
Seconded: Sean Williamson
Carried: All

8. Dates of Special General Meeting and Executive Board Meeting

Resolution

That the date for the Special General Meeting on 28 and 29 May 2008 and the date for the next Executive Board meeting on 30 May 2008 be confirmed. Both meetings are to take place in Umuwa in accordance with the usual practice of APY.

Moved: Punch Thompson
Seconded: Anton Baker
Carried: All

9. Location of Executive Board Meetings

The Legal Officer advised that considerable disturbance could be caused by the calling of meetings at a venue controlled by a third party which could then selectively exclude people.

Resolution

That all further meetings of the Executive Board be held in the conference room of APY unless the Executive Board determines otherwise.

Moved: Tony Campbell
Seconded: Punch Thompson
Carried: All

Resolution

That in view of the cost of having a meeting in Alice Springs the Executive Board Meeting for 3 July 2008 takes place in Umuwa at the APY conference room.

Moved: Anton Baker
 Seconded: Charlie Anytjipalya
 Carried: All

10. Acting Chairperson

The Chairperson advised that the Acting Minister had requested an Acting Chairperson. The Legal Officer said that although the *APY Land Rights Act* did not provide for this, it would be prudent to respect the request.

Resolution

That should the Chairperson be for any reason unable or unwilling to act as Chairperson, than Sean Williamson is appointed Acting Chairperson to act in such circumstances.

Moved: Tony Campbell
 Seconded: Punch Thompson
 Carried: All

11. Visit by Mal Brough

The Chairperson reported that the Director and he had had a very positive tele-conference with Mal Brough who is willing to provide advice.

Resolution

That Mal Brough be invited to attend the Special General Meeting on 28 - 29 May 2008 and asked to advise and assist in solving problems on the APY Lands.

Moved: Charlie Anytjipalya
 Seconded: Punch Thompson
 Carried: All

12. Accessing the APY Lands**Resolution**

All contact by government or third parties including contractors concerning the APY Lands and APY is to be directed to the Director of Administration and General Manager and not the individual members of the Executive Board or Community Chairpersons.

Moved: Tony Campbell
 Seconded: Punch Thompson
 Carried: All

The meeting ended at 4:30 pm

Minutes taken by Peter Huntington