



## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Monday 1 September 2021

### MINUTES

**Start time: 11.00 am**

#### **LOCATION – Umuwa Trade Training Centre**

**PRESENT** – Bernard Singer (BS), Owen Burton (OB), Marita Baker (MB), Makinti Minutjukur (MM), Rita Rolley (RR), Trevor Adamson (TA), Julianne Campbell, (JC), Murray George (MG), Tony Paddy (TP), Rex Tjami (RT)

**On phone:** Willy Pompey (WP), Nyunmuti Burton (NB), Anton Baker (AB), Yangi Yangi Fox (YF) Ruth Morley (RM).

**APY:** Richard King (RKg), Tania King (TK), Ruth Morley (RM)(on phone), Neil Collins (NC), Denzel Bignoux (DB), Anita Nyathi (AN), Mavis Welsh (MW) (minutes)

**Observers:** Craig Macauley, Catherine Maczkowiack, DPC AAR

RK welcomed all to the meeting.

#### **11.05am**

BS said we need 10 minutes to speak with Tjilpi's regarding the GeoScience location – they are waiting outside TTC.

#### **11.30am MEETING RECOMMENCED.**

**7. Anthropology** (from day 1) – Charmaine Jones (CJ) presentation to the meeting with slides on the screen and she spoke to these.

RKg introduced Mr Burton to chair the meeting as BS feeling unwell. Handing over chair.

**7.1 Item of GeoScience** – held a meeting in March to discuss the proposed ground stations. CJ said there were consultations with others.

Present at this meeting for this item, Johnny Roberts, Lee Brady, Arnie Frank, Witjiti George, Keith Stevens.

LB explained GeoScience has suggested 4 sites for Geoscience activity. There are 3 parts to the location of these Geoscience work: Reflection Seismic Survey; Passive Seismic; Airborne Survey.

Need to ask Traditional owners about Camps along the road. Traditional owners can accompany them and ask questions.

MG raised concerns with the road going through sacred area on the southern side. From Nyapari to border of PY (MT)

RKg explained the process with Anthropology and Traditional owners to decide and Executive Board would support the decision made through a resolution.

Anthropology and TO will meet to decide and report will be written to GeoScience.

OB asks how this was found. By helicopter.

LB – it's a picture only for satellite – nothing has been done – waiting for executive approval.

LB – explained to the meeting in English and procedure to follow – Anthropology – report to executive and then decision will be supported either way. Traditional owners must decide final outcome – yes or no!

All visitors left the room.

### **1.00 pm LUNCH**

RKg said the SA Space organisation want to name a satellite and need the OK from Executive Board. The name 'Kanyini' chosen by students at Findon School who are studying Pitjantjatjara.

### **Resolution**

The APY Executive have reviewed and approved the request from the SA Space Industry Agency to use the name 'Kanyini' on their first South Australian made and soon to be launched Satellite.

Moved: **Bernard Singer**

Seconded: **Trevor Adamson**

All in favour.

### **1.55 pm MEETING RESUMED.**

**7.2 CFS** - CJ presented on screen. Partnership RASAC and Land Management. Grading areas around Umuwa. Went with G Lewis to look at area. Looking to burn within the Umuwa area. N Collins said this will be used as training for Rangers.

### **RESOLUTION**

The APY Executive Board approve the CFS fire break project and prescribed burn off in the Umuwa area.

Moved **W Pompey**

Seconded **O Burton**

All in favour.

**7.3 DIT** - Shade location at Pukatja School.

CJ displayed a slide and spoke to the matter and said they could make conditions on the need to dig.

## RESOLUTION

The APY Executive Board approve DIT shade installation to proceed at Pukatja School.

**Moved M Minutjukur                      Seconded T Adamson      All in favour.**

**7.4      SA Housing** – CJ spoke about replacement houses.

## RESOLUTION

The APY Executive Board support the replacement housing and units to complete consultation and results brought back to GM and Director for approval under S9F.

**Moved Y Y Fox                      Seconded O Burton                      All in favour.**

**7.5      Apara Spring** – Neil Collins (NC) presented this item and displayed on the screen. NC explained areas to be protected – showed photos of camel bones – no frogs or wildlife in the spring. NC to work with Northern Territory to stop camels coming across – will put in grids and new fence. NC described that the fence will be 1.5m high and will include electric fence. In the stream there will be fence which can be washed away and replaced easily. Rangers will help with this. There will be jobs to build the fence and jobs to maintain it. NC wants to get this done before the summer. CJ there has been some survey and asked for similar resolution.

## RESOLUTION

The APY Executive Board support the Apara Spring fence line in principle and for CLHU to complete consultations and results brought back to GM and Director for approval under LRA S9F.

**Moved W Pompey                      Seconded O Burton                      All in favour.**

**7.6      Helicopter Site Visits** – NC spoke to screen presentation. OB asked if Tjilpi can go. CJ looking at hard to get to places. Explained sites for men and women's places. Also explained the different sites. Helicopter visits have been done before. OB – interpreted. CJ – need input from Steering Committees. NC – if the money is not used then the funds would go back to the government. CJ explained the overlap with APY and Defence area. To continue talking with IPA's elder men and women – also Andrew Cawthorne. NC – one helicopter for 5 days.

## RESOLUTION

The APY Executive Board support Land Management and CLHU work together to complete helicopter site visits for each IPA by end of September.

**Moved W Pompey                      Seconded M Baker                      All in favour.**

### **7.7 Mineral Exploration meeting – NiCul**

NC said next week they had been hoping for a meeting with NiCul.

CJ said that Andrew Cawthorn advised that the meeting had been cancelled – they need to bring someone to explain but they were unable to come. Suggestion for meeting with senior APY men and lawyers over video.

**2.30pm** Executive Board thanked CJ and NC for attending the meeting and presenting.

### **3. Electricity Prepayment Update – Lynda Curtis to present.**

RKg played a video in language about the prepayment scheme.

LC spoke to the video and asked if someone can interpret.

TA agreed to interpret.

OB spoke about it.

LC said government say that Anangu have to pay for some electricity. She spoke to her presentation. She asked that the Executive Board note that the Department for Energy is asking for feedback about the Regulation change about how communities will pay for electricity - electricity bill or power card.

LC said that in SA electricity suppliers have rules about payment – mainly using bills and in order to use power cards they need permission.

There are two ways to pay for power – 3 monthly bills paying for electricity after it is used or power cards before using electricity

TA interpreted.

MM asked how to know how much electricity used.

LC said the SA Government feel that the power card is better for Anangu - so that you will know how much electricity being used, however if a 3 monthly bill after using electricity could be a very big bill.

MM said it is hard with bills. LC that is why power cards should be used. It would be easy to get into debt (big debt) with bills and suppliers may turn off electricity if bill unpaid.

TA interpreted.

LC explained why bills are not good. Anangu use same electricity and end up with big bill.

MM asked how do Anangu know how big a bill is – how to find out how much?

LC said that is what Money Mob can help to do. It is not easy to send bills on to APY properties – there is no letter post.

RKg said there are ways to work with Money Mob to find out bills.

LC said when using power card the meter will say when credit gets low. Money Mob is going around houses and doing calculations of use. Education of the system is still coming.

TA interpreted.

LC said if you pay with a bill then one person is responsible for the bill.

TA translated.

MG – government give money to live here – want to keep power within Anangu. APY got to do something for us. Money got to stay in APY.

RT power card is better than bill. Explained in language how if run out of power on weekend then credit will be given until the start of the week.

MG – where does the money go? To pay for fuel to run electricity on Lands.

TA spoke about gas in emergency.

LC said the electricity charged on the Lands is cheaper than electricity in Adelaide.

OB said Centrelink not enough money for Anangu .

RT said it is a good idea.

**3.15pm** Julianne C on phone. Asked if APY could pay the electricity.

RKg said the only money is Trust money – to get Trust money APY need Special General Meeting to approve the release for this purpose.

LC explained how to get visitors to contribute on power cards.

RT spoke to the slide presentation of 11 things to know about power cards.

Spoke in language.

YYF spoke in language. OB said she is saying that in Kalka – living in one house and owner saying you can pay for rent.

Should look at ways of saving money.

RKg said each community could have 3 or 4 power cards, paid \$10 for people in emergency.

LC said the Department wants to make sure communities understand this information and have a say about it.

WP spoke in language. OB said Mimili mob say 'wiya' now got power cards.

General discussion among Executive Board members.

LC said to wrap up we need regulation to only use power cards.

She said government is asking questions – she suggested going on the internet and answer questions in English and Pitjantjatjara.

MG said we had generator before which was taken away – asking TA about General Meeting. TA what I want to say is what if we had solar – have a meeting and come together – if meeting with 7 communities so all could have a say – last time to share with everybody.

WP in language. TA translation – people from Mimili said No.

TA - the government is not going to stop.

LC said the situation is that you have to pay – the decision is how to pay.

Question is how to pay, not whether to pay.

TA interpreted.

LC said we understand that people say No, but now it is a bigger situation. With power cards we can see if people don't have power we can help connect them again.

TA interpreted.

LC – with Money Mob – we ask questions visiting houses where people have health or other issues to keep power on.

TA interpreted.

LC has put stands and posters in communities asking other ways we can help.

A video, radio ad, and printed materials will be provided to each community

TA interpreted.

LC will be doing community Council meetings in September. Will pick up forms for comment. TA interpreted.

LC said today's presentation is for noting info but asking if Board want to make submissions. RKg only 2 places in SA use power cards for electricity and they are APY and MT. LC said an Issues Paper and other materials, including how to submit feedback, will be provided to the Board and anyone else who might be interested.

OB thanked LC for her presentation and she left the meeting.

**4.00pm** Mavis Welsh, Craig Macauley and Catherine Maczkowiack left the meeting.

TK took over the meeting minutes.

## **6. Permits**

6.1 Ranelle Cooper is seeking confirmation of Aboriginality.

### **RESOLUTION**

The APY Executive Board have received and approved the request for Confirmation of Aboriginality for Ranelle Cooper from Pipalyatjara, approve for General Manager to provide a Confirmation form with attached seal.

**Moved YY Fox                      Seconded M Minutjukur                      All in favour.**

6.2 Anangu Lands Partnership Agreement. 10 people from Uni/Placement on APY Lands seek approval to come from Adelaide.

### **RESOLUTION**

The APY Executive Board approve for the Anangu Lands Partnership Group of students to attend but if in middle of Covid concerns not to attend.

**Moved W Pompey                      Seconded T Adamson                      All in favour.**

6.3 RAT RACE – Joel Stevens, GM of RAT RACE Australia has been doing this business outdoor adventure events for 15 years. Now a new company in Australia and produce extraordinary activities.

Joel showcased video on screen. Namibia example in desert. Small group expeditions, India, Mongolia have worked as well.

TA translated.

Reason for requesting adventure – link Apatula to Uluru – mountain bike adventure. Finke Road – Mulga Park Road access more northern lands.

TA start Finke/ finish Uluru – thru

Planned for July 2022.

Joel cycle Mulga Park Road, Mt Woodroffe (SEIT) working with, if we can include in SEIT activities.

OB – we will let you know. We have to speak with Traditional owners from that area, with your group of people.

RKg that area is owned by other Traditional owners. If they agree an agreement can be drawn up for Traditional owners to gain an access fee, safety measures in place. Area dangerous - Brett Graham aware of this. Next year tourism plans launched with all details in it.

4. **Legal Report** (from day 1) Ruth Morley

**RESOLUTION**

The information you will receive that legal advice is confidential and must not go beyond the APY Executive Board, if it does, it could result in the removal of that member.

**Moved W Pompey                      Seconded B Singer                      All in favour.**

**PRIVATE LEGAL SESSION.**

8. **Pastoral Report** – presentation by Michael Clinch (MC) Pastoral Manager.

MC advised he has 3 things and is asking for permission for APY Anthropology to carry out Community Consultation for each community. This proposal ensures the Traditional owners are formally consulted by APY Anthropologist. This is a requirement of the APY Lands Rights Act. This process ensures a true and correct record is documented with a record of agreed decisions that is supported with photographic evidence.

The fees for APY Anthropology to undertake the consultation process are funded through projects with Alinytjara Wilurara Landscape Board.

The Director and General Manager and Anthropology and each executive for communities to talk about pastoral items. Anthropology to run the consultation.

1. Feral Animal Removal (camels, horses and donkeys). Each community 'uwa' or 'wiya' to remove – all communities will be consulted.
2. Hold another meeting to identify Traditional owners of pastoral grazing areas – to assist MC to develop these paddocks.
3. APY communities agree to cattle, carbon and conservation project.

TA interpreted.

MC this is for all Anangu to have a clear understanding. Recommendation is that for the APY Executive to approve the 3 items raised and following the consultation process a Special General Meeting should be called to pass the following three recommendations:

- APY Communities agree/disagree to remove Large Feral Herbivores
- Identify Traditional custodians for all Pastoral Paddocks and grazing areas
- APY Communities agree to Cattle, Carbon, and Conservation project

**RESOLUTION 1**

The Executive Board approve that Anthropology undertake this consultation process as described in this paper and attached HIA.

**Moved O Burton**

**Seconded T Adamson**

**All in favour.**

## **RESOLUTION 2**

The resolution is to approve that the APY Executive Board and Director of Administration and General Manager to support the consultation process by attending community meetings.

**Moved O Burton**

**Seconded T Adamson**

**All in favour.**

## **RESOLUTION 3**

The Executive Board approve the setting of a date for a Special General Meeting to pass a resolution on the outcomes of the consultation process.

**Moved O Burton**

**Seconded T Adamson**

**All in favour.**

### **2. 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary APY Land Rights Update -2021**

RKg stated that in conjunction with Colin Koch they had reviewed the date for this celebration. Discussion among Executive Board members.

## **RESOLUTION**

The Executive Board have reviewed the date for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary APY Land Rights and agree that this be held on 9 and 10 April 2022 after Easter.

**Moved O Burton**

**Seconded T Adamson**

**All in favour.**

Discussion among Executive Board members who agreed that people requesting entry into APY Lands be told - No jab, No entry  
Need to make sure that all permit holders and those requesting entry onto the Lands have full Covid Vaccination with evidence to confirm this.

## **RESOLUTION**

The Executive Board has reviewed the Permit System and agrees that all people coming on to APY Lands require a permit and notification to enter the Lands and must have their Covid vaccination and produce evidence.

**Moved T Adamson**

**Seconded B Singer**

**All in favour.**

Meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

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Outstanding agenda Items:



- 5. Money Story
- 9. Work Health & Safety -COVID-19
- 1. Female board member in the electorate of Iwantja, Amuruna, Railway Bore, Witjintitja and Walatina
- 4. Housing Authority Update
- 5. Land Management Update