**Coonabarabran Rotary Club**

**Board Meeting by Zoom**

**Wed 6 April 2020**

**Meeting began**: 7pm on Zoom

**Present:** Pres Ian Bell, Aileen Bell, Jo Wilkin, Lindsay Wilkin, John Sawyer, Robert Cox, Hugh Raadgever, Mal Unicomb, Bob Guichelaar, Simon Tighe, Laurie Dawson

**Apologies:** Colin Welsh (Book shop coordinator)

**Minutes from meeting** **on 28 March 2020**: Read and approved, Moved Robert C, Sec Aileen.

**Business arising**: Nil

**Treasurer’s report:** Moved John, Sec Aileen

1. Financial balance same as at Club Assembly on Mon 4 May.

2. Correction to **disbursement of funds** – should have included $1,000 for Australia Rotary Health. This will come from the Community account at this stage, and repaid from the Club Account when that is possible. Moved Mal, Sec Aileen. Total for disbursement = $14,000. John will send an updated list to Aileen.

3. One drought grant money still not presented, also one Science Experience subsidy - Jo and John to follow up.

4.Confirmation of the decision at the Club Assembly that **members pay $8/week (= $32/month) while we are having Zoom meetings.** This is in line with the amount we pay each dinner meeting (in addition to the $17 for the meal = $25.) To be paid preferably by direct deposit to the club account by the end of each month. Moved John Sec Mal, Agreed

5. First email regarding $32/member/month will be sent tomorrow by John.

6. **Fees for next year** are likely to be ~ $272 depending on the exchange rate.4.

**General Business**

1. Letter of support for Geoff Gasior in applying for funds for the **flight simulator** at the High School has been provided by Pres Ian.

2. Club Assembly decisions regarding **re-opening of bookshop** were endorsed – Moved Jo, Sec Rob C. Jo will make Covid-19 signs for the shop.

3. There has been good coverage in the **Coona Times** for the club. 2WCR FM segment tomorrow Thursday at 8.30am. Excellent effort by Aileen to undertake this publicity.

4. Thanks have been received from Cooinda, Community Care and Salim’s office for **the Morning Tea biscuits project.**  Thanks and congratulations to Marie for initiating and leading this project, and thanks to those who delivered the goodies.

5. Moved Aileen, Sec Mal that the following awards be given at our Changeover

 - **Paul Harris Fellowships** to Stewart Rodgers and Sue Brookhouse for their service to the community, and to Rotarian …………………… for his service to the club, and to the community.

 - **Community Awards** to Michelle Jaeger (**Vocational Award**) for establishing the Lighthouse retail business, and to Kerry Valette (**Community Service)**.

All of these are to remain confidential!

Noted by John that over the years our club has given a **total of $107,000 to the Rotary Foundation**. This has **all been from our** **Club Account monies**, since it is traditional (although not a requirement) that we do not use money raised from the community to support our own charity. We should feel proud that this places us in the top clubs in the District for Rotary Foundation support, especially per capita.

6. **Arrangements for the Changeover** to be left till the end of May and decided then according to Covid-19 rules.

7. **Housebound people project** - Ian B to ask Lynda if she would be the person to co-ordinate names and members who will give support by telephone etc. John has created his own list of 9 people, Jo has started her personal list.

8. It was suggested by Aileen that we continue our **links with West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook club** using Zoom. Jo to investigate.

9. Mal has received **District Directories** and will leave them at the bookshop to be collected by members of the 2020-21 board.

10. There will be no meeting on Mon 8 June (Queen’s Birthday holiday).

11. Mal has indicated he will need an **International Director** for next year, given Robert N. will not be able to take this position. Against all of his army experience about ‘never volunteering’, Laurie has offered to take this position. Thanks Laurie from all of us, especially Mal!

Meeting closed at 7,53pm