



**Comann Eachdraidh Lios Mòr
and
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Lismore Historical Society
A Company limited by guarantee No. SC234832
Aireamh Carthannais/Charity No. SC023503**

Draft Minute of the Meeting Held in the Library
Thursday 26th November 2015 at 4pm

Present:

- Directors: Iain MacNichol (IM) in the Chair, Freda Drysdale (FD), Bob Hay (BH), Douglas Breingan (DB), Lesley Hamilton (LH) & Ann MacLean Fleming (AM)
- Committee Members: Duncan Drysdale (DD) Secretary /Company Secretary, Noelle Odling (NO) Treasurer, Cathy Carmichael (CC), Margaret MacDonald (MD), Maureen Mitchell (MM).
- Minutes: Ian MacKinnon (IK) For item 1 and beginning of item 2.

Apologies Received: Memory McDonald (MMD), Helen Crossan (HC),
Archie MacGillivray (AG), Peggy Nicolson, Duncan Livingstone (DL)

Minute of the Meeting held on 24th September 2015:

- The amended Minute was passed on a motion proposed by BH and seconded by FD.

Matters Arising:

- FD proposed an amendment to page 2 third point, BH proposed that this point be removed. It was agreed to remove this point.
- IK resigned from his post as Minute Secretary.
- IM expressed his great regret at IK's decision and thanked him for his work this year.
- IM read out a letter he sent to Sebastian Tombs, Chair of the Community Trust. See appendix 1 attached.
- There were no further matters raised.

100 Club Draw:

- Our new Museum Mentor, Robin Patel made the draw. First went prize to Duncan MacGregor, second to Norma Back and third to Dot Hay.

TAIC Report:

- FD made a full report. See appendix 2 attached.
- Kiki MacColl was asked to join the meeting for this item. She was accompanied by Denise Willis.

FD read the Café section of her report. Kiki asked that her current contract be extended for a further period. She said she had handed a director of TAIC a letter taking up her option to renew the lease from 31st December 2015 last March or April.

She could not remember to whom she had handed this hand- written letter, but she was sure it was to be found in the office.

NO asked if Kiki had a receipt or acknowledgement of her letter. Her reply was “no one gave receipts” which indicates that she did not have a receipt or acknowledgement of the claimed letter.

DD confirmed that as Company Secretary he has never seen such a letter. Kiki pointed out that we appeared to have lost a cheque recently and things got lost in the office.

NO confirmed that the cheque had been banked promptly but she had not made an allocation and this was rectified as soon as she realised what this entry was.

FD agreed to contact the directors who were in office at the time in question and ascertain if they have any knowledge of the letter.

IM suggested that we might need to go to arbitration if we could not resolve this issue. A response will be made to Kiki in due course.

- Kiki and Denise were asked to leave the meeting as there were many other items on the agenda to be considered.

Treasurer's Report:

- NO circulated a document summarising income and expenditure in the calendar year to date. She included some charts showing bank balances, donations and till takings over the year along with some comparison charts showing details of the current and previous years.
- BH thanked NO for her excellent report and for her work in keeping our accounts.

Welcome to our Museum Mentor:

- BH introduced Robin Patel to the members present.

- BH and the Curators have had a very productive meeting earlier in the day and we look forward to working with Robin in the future.

Clarification on land issue re CELM:

- DD presented the following statement which was adopted by the Directors.
- MacGregor Family – Ground and Buildings at Port a' Charrain.

The Directors understand that in the event of CELM being wound up, it is quite clear from the disposition from Duncan MacGregor that the land and buildings would be returned to him or his successors. It is also considered that this is a liability which would be settled before any other property is passed on to another charity under the terms of 7.2 in the new Memorandum which was adopted by the Board last year.

Pilgrimage:

- DB and BH are looking into this subject and will report further in this.

Roof:

- Please see DB's notes in appendix 3 attached.

Achinduin Insurance.

- DD made the following statement.
- "I sent Viv MacKenzie at Kegan & Penykidde a copy of the insurance schedule which Iris MacColl had given to Iain MacNicol. I then spoke to her about this. She said it was good to have confirmation that Iris has insurance cover but we will also have to keep our policy in place as we are the owners of the ground and building. Obviously Iris keeps livestock on the ground and she requires insurance cover but we as owners of the ground also require cover for our liabilities".

AOCB:

- It was agreed that we should hold a Volunteer party in January.

Next Meetings:

- Thursday 28th January 2016 at 4pm in the Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 5.30pm.