Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of Comann Eachdraidh Lios Mòr held by ZOOM, 18 February 2021

Present
Directors: Jennifer Baker (JB), Douglas Breingan (DB), Noelle Odling (NO), Mike Robertson (MJR), Arthur Cross (AC).

Taic Director: Anne Livingstone (AL)

Committee Member: Bob Hay (BH Minute Secretary)

Apologies:
Clare Haworth (CH), Memory McDonald (MM)

2. Minutes of the Meeting 14 January 2021
Approval proposed by JB, Seconded NO. Accepted unanimously.

3. Matters Arising
Image Collection. AL and Barryjohn Stewart had begun their review of the image collection. They would liaise with Erick Tovar who is reviewing the content stored on the office computer.
Website. The new version of the CELM website would go live within the next month. Board members were encouraged to view the draft version.
Museum Lighting. Carried over to the next meeting
The Macaulay Letter. DB had purchased and received the letter, costing £770. NO would credit him with the cost, and directors would send their contributions to NO as donations. BH was liaising with the National Library over future loans of the document. DB undertook to plan press coverage.
Museum Display. It was agreed in principle to purchase two iPads or equivalents to replace the existing display computers in the museum room. DB recommended iPads (on account of their resilience), fixed to the wall, with permanent electrical connection to facilitate recharging. JB would ask Erick Tovar to provide costings.

4. **Treasurer's Report**
NO provided balance sheets for CELM and Taic, updated to 14 February.

The current balance for CELM stood at £32,168 (£13,266 unrestricted, £18,901 restricted).
BH undertook to ensure that the funds voted from the MGS Urgent Response fund were spent and reported by the end of March.

5. **Property Report**
MM would provide a full report for the next meeting

6. Taic Report
Current balance £7069
The resumed café takeaway service had proved popular and would continue for the immediate future.

7. Curator Report
eHive Catalogue. BH had completed entering the first 100 objects, correcting and updating the entries in the electronic catalogue. On completion, he would bring a list of items for de-accessioning for approval by the Board.
The Film. Nearing completion, report to the next meeting
Dig 2021. BH had submitted applications for financial support for a resumption of community archaeology in July 2021, subject to Covid-19 regulations.

8. Iona MacLeod Heritage Project
Iona attended the meeting by ZOOM. She outlined her proposed project for summer 2021, which would involve "repeopling" an abandoned township site on Lismore with human sculptures. The Board welcomed her initiative and agreed that she could register the involvement of CELM in applications for funding once the Board had seen a mock up/sketch of her proposal. DB, who had experience of outdoor installations, would liaise with Iona.

9. Echoes of Appin
JB would consult with Helen Crossan about possible involvement in this project, following the request to provide Gaelic support.

AOCB
Insurance. MJR asked Board members to study his recent email about the appropriateness of the insurance cover for the Centre. There was a need to value the specialist library, estimated by DB to be at least £30,000.
Note after the meeting. DB had recommended that the irreplaceable items in the Archive (including the new letter) be stored in the fire safe provided earlier in the year by MM.

Date of Next Meeting. Thursday 25 March by ZOOM at 7pm.