Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Comann Eachdraidh Lios Mòr held at INM, 12 April 2022

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Present
Directors: Jennifer Baker (JB), David Clarke (DC), Memory McDonald (MM), Noelle Odling (NO) and Mike Robertson (MJR)

Committee Member: Bob Hay (BH Minute Secretary)

Apologies: Douglas Breingan (DB), Ailsa Clarke (AiC), Arthur Cross (AC), Anne Livingstone (AL)

1. Minutes of 18 March 2022.
Approval proposed by MJR, Seconded MM. Accepted unanimously.

2. Matters arising.
Taproot Festival and Autumn Talks Programme (JB).
JB would keep the Board briefed on developments during the coming months.
Museum Room Display (DC).
This would be completed during the coming week with the release of relevant documents from the Archive. The Board recorded its thanks to DC for the new initiatives in the museum room.
Audiovisual Archive
JB and Pauline Dowling would report to the next meeting. BH would contact MGS to ask about accreditation standards for audiovisual archives.
Future of the Church and Clachan (BH).
The draft proposal, drawn up by CELM, the Church Session, The Island Trust and Ron Livingstone had been forwarded to the Clerk of the Presbytery of Argyll, for consideration at the next Presbytery meeting. BH would report to the Board in due course.

3. Treasurer's Report (NO).
Current Balance £13,173.59
Restricted £2110.58
Unrestricted £11063.01
It was agreed to decide on actions to deal with the £678 "Gaelic underspend" at the next meeting. Purchase of a new player for the Gaelic conversation in the Cottage was approved. Consideration of options for reducing use of electricity in the Centre would continue during the year.

4. Property Report (MM).
Report from MM:

1. The balcony area was nearing completion. The Board congratulated MM on the look of the new structure as well as all the work done to prepare the Centre for the new season. Steven Forteith had fitted a new pressure vessel to the heating system and recharged all the refridgeration in the café.

5. Taic Report.
Bank balance: £6027.24
Shop stock had been updated by Lesley in preparation for the new season.

6. Curator Report.
Accreditation. Five-Year Forward Plan for the Museum, Archive, Cottage, and Related Heritage Activities 2022-26.
Subject to minor changes (inclusion of publications by Clare Ellis on the Digs; and a link to the film "A sacred Island"), the Plan was signed off by JB.
Upgrading of the subsidiary Accreditation documents could now start (Action BH).
The Big Dig 2022. Following discussion about options for the disposal of 100 tyres protecting the open trench in the Glebe, BH agreed to circulate a draft note for the Island Noticeboard.

7. AOCB
The **AGMs**
would be held on 18th June at 12 noon in the Museum Room
Conference Chairs.
As these were no longer required, MM would offer them to the Public Hall.
Sandstone used for the Cathedral features.
NO had obtained samples from Inninmore Quarry, Morvern, for comparison with the stones recovered in 2017.
Training Events.
Following approval of the Five Year Plan, BH would bring a proposal to the next meeting for a study visit by Directors, Volunteers and Members. He also offered a training session for Directors and Desk Volunteers involving an introduction to the Collection Catalogues.
Preview of the 2022 Museum Display for islanders (with refreshment).
DC to select a suitable date and inform JB.
The Future of the Public Lending Library.
JB would draft a note for the island, outlining possible action.

Next Meeting: Friday 20 May ***at 5pm***.