



Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Comann Eachdraidh Lios Mòr held at INM, 20 May 2022.

Present

Directors: Jennifer Baker (JB), Douglas Breingan (DB), Noelle Odling (NO), Mike Robertson (MJR) and Clare Haworth (CH).

Committee Member: Bob Hay (BH Minute Secretary).

Apologies

Ailsa Clarke (AiC), David Clarke (DC), Arthur Cross (AC), Anne Livingstone (AL) and Memory McDonald (MM).

1. Minutes of 12 April 2022.

Approval proposed by JB, Seconded MJR. Accepted unanimously.

2. Matters arising.

Taproot Festival (JB).

The proposed format was an event on the second Sunday of each month, followed by a meal at the café. JB would issue a list in due course.

JB was negotiating an additional concert (of the Glasgow Conservatoire guitar quartet) during August.

Managing Committee for the Festival: JB, Roxanne Prando and Davy Maddocks.

Audiovisual Archive (JB).

Helen Crossan had provided a full list of files held by her. JB would ask her to supply all of the recordings on an external hard drive for deposition in the archive.

BH would investigate the possibility of mounting “A Sacred Island” on YouTube, and provide the link to the MacDougall Clan Association.

No advice yet from MGS (BH).

Future of the Church (BH, JB)

The Board agreed to working closely with the Lismore Kirk Session and the Island Development Trust on the Future of the Church.

Autumn Talks (JB).

The list was in preparation, to follow at the next meeting.

Gaelic Underspend.

BH would contact Julia Fayngruen about completion of the Gaelic version of “A Sacred Island”.

NO would be in contact with Lynn Vesco about Gaelic sign boards.

Dig 2022.

The dig would begin on 21 May for up to 10 days. Thanks are due to Duncan Drysdale for lending a submersible pump. BH would keep Directors and others aware of progress by daily updates on the CELM website.

Training (BH).

MJR would contact the War and Peace Museum in Oban and Dunollie about a study day visit for directors, volunteers and members to both venues, possibly in August. This would fulfil one of the aims in the new Five Year Plan.

Public Library (JB).

Following consultation on the island, it had been decided to close the public library hosted in INM. JB would report to the next meeting about plans to use the vacated space.

3. Treasurer's Report (NO)

Current Balance £13,629.00

Restricted £5,548.58

Unrestricted £8,080.42

NO was working to manage future energy costs.

Directors agreed to raise the rent paid by Taic for INM from £400 to £500.

4. Property Report.

To follow on the return of MM

5. Taic.

Current balance £10,014.60

6. AGM

Date still to be arranged. A post-meeting view of this year's display would be arranged.

7. AOCB

DB had secured some redundant museum crates from Paisley Museum. The Board agreed to fund their delivery by courier.

Museum Display.

The board recommended that the current museum room display be expanded for a further year; that the QR codes should be on the photographs; that there should be more objects on display; and that there should be greater representation of women.

Intellectual Property Rights.

The Board requested DB and MJR to clarify the situation with reference to the heritage recordings funded by CELM.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Not yet fixed