

Meeting Name:	Minutes of Members Meeting	Date:	March 5 2019
Aim:	General Business - Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Readers Café and Larder	Time:	6 pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Liz Griffiths, Helen Hughes, Matt Kerr, Amorelle & Andrew Dempster, Cecily Lenton, Leisha Parkinson, Marg Kavanagh, Ruth & Bob Adams, Jocelyn Colleran,	Apologies	Liz & Arthur Love, Keshia Cohen, Zoe Lewis

Members to send responses to actions in minutes to slowfoodhuntervalley@gmail.com

MINUTES:

Minutes / Decisions	action
Acknowledgement of Country: Anne	
<p>1. Welcome to members and guests</p> <p>2. Minutes accepted as a true and accurate record of the February meeting. Business arising:</p> <p><u>Fresh Food Boxes:</u> Cecily has conducted a poll to gather feedback on the viability of FF boxes. 81% of respondents would purchase boxes if offered in 2019. Further polls will be conducted.</p> <p><u>Watarrka:</u> The new high school extension is being officially opened on March 9 and Amorelle and Andrew will attend the formalities at Watarrka. Andrew will travel to Watarrka at the end of March to assess further requirements of the project.</p> <p><u>Maitland Show:</u> Review in October 2019 for 2020. Amorelle is submitting an application for Maitland Show Committee.</p> <p><u>SFI Campaign 2019</u></p>	<p>Minutes accepted as a true and accurate record of the February meeting. Moved Jocelyn, seconded Andrew. Carried.</p> <p>Moved Ruth, seconded Bob that: " Slow Food Hunter Valley fund Andrew's car hire and meal costs for his Watarrka trip at the end of March." Carried.</p> <p>To be reviewed at Exec Meeting 19/3</p>
<p>3. Correspondence</p> <p><u>Correspondence in</u></p> <p>Request for SFHV involvement at the Dungog Festival (4 to 7/10/19)</p> <p>Letter from Environmental Trust stating SFHV grant application was unsuccessful.</p>	<p>Helen to contact Felicity Fragar (Event manager DF)</p>

<p>MCC updates re Taste Festival</p> <p><u>Correspondence out</u> : February minutes & March General Meeting notification / Call for Taste volunteers / Earth Markets emails</p> <p><u>Business Arising:</u></p>	<p>Helen liaising with MCC</p>
<p><u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Report attached</p>	
<p><u>General Business:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Constitution Progress:</u> Liz, Anne, Ian & Helen met to review the Constitution. Liz is currently making agreed corrections. It was decided to add 3 non-office bearer members to the Executive. Members will be contacted via email to seek nominations & votes. 2. <u>Apple Picking:</u> Anne provided a report on the successful weekend at Tilse's Orchard. 200kg of apples to be sold at the first market in March. A press release for the apple market needs to be done. 3. <u>Taste:</u> March 9 & 10 Liz to coordinate farmers' stall, Helen to coordinate SFHV stall, Anne to coordinate Children's Cooking Workshop. Call for more volunteers. Some bump in to be done after EM. 4. <u>Drought Relief Boxes:</u> Further investigations will be conducted regarding use of money in Drought Account. 5. <u>Tocal:</u> May 3, 4 & 5 Planning is well underway here with Amorelle and Helen meeting with Wendy at Tocal. The Good Food and Wine Hall is being finalised with the theme is preserving and fermenting food. We have a number of local producers who are preserving and/or fermenting food booked in. Hungerford Meats & Lovedale Smokehouse have cancelled so two more producers need to be found. 6. <u>Request to support David Holmgren event Newcastle June 22</u> Suggestion of Disco Soup/Possible involvement of Zoe Lewis. 7. <u>Communication meeting feedback:</u> Cecily has reported increased engagement on our Facebook page. Quality of interaction with followers is important. 8. <u>Reports: Membership</u> – Need to increase membership of SFHV/need to simplify application process. <i>Earth Markets</i> – to be reviewed by Jenny m & Amorelle. <i>Community Kitchen</i> – 50kg of food produced in first week of March. 3 food thermometers to be purchased by Marg. Single door glass fronted fridge needed to store produced food (Seek a donation or fundraise). 	<p>Executive to meet Tuesday 19/3/19 to finalise.</p> <p>Anne, Liz & Helen to contact members.</p> <p>Cecily to do a Facebook post regarding apple sales at Earth Markets 7/3/19.</p> <p>Helen to send another email calling for volunteers.</p> <p>Amorelle & Andrew in contact</p> <p>Amorelle & Helen to investigate options. Amorelle to speak with Michael Robinson & Ben Sales</p>

Dates for 2019:		
March 9-10	Taste Festival	
May 3,4 & 5	Total Field Days	
Meeting closed at 8.45 pm		
Thanks to attendees for the tasty shared meal!		
Tuesday March 19 2019 Executive Meeting @ 6pm		
Tuesday April 2 2019 General Meeting @ 6pm		