

Meeting Name:	Minutes of Executive Meeting	Date:	July 16 2019
Aim:	General Business - Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Polish Hall, Grant St, Maitland	Time:	6pm – 8.30pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Liz Griffiths, Johnny Wilson, Helen Hughes, Matt Kerr, Leisha Parkinson, Jocelyn Colleran, Amorelle and Andrew Dempster	Apologies	Ruth & Bob Adams, Cecily Lenton,

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

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1. 2.	Minutes of previous meeting Business arising: Correspondence in:	Minutes moved by Liz, seconded by Helen and carried To be promoted on website & social media Set up Trybooking events AK Organisers to meet farmers at EM 18/7 Anne to contact HOGS re 11/8 meeting Amorelle to contact producer Anne to continue contact with Emilee		
3.	Treasurer's Report YTD the following activities have generated significant income: Tocal Field Days - \$6,560 (\$6,747 - 2018) Taste Festival - \$4,230 (\$1,687 - 2018) Outgoings: Drought Relief Boxes - \$10,728 including substantial donations & raffle proceeds Watarrka - \$3,924 This takes available funds to \$29,609.	Moved by Helen, seconded by Anne "that the treasurers report be accepted". Motion to transfer \$500 from Tocal FD revenue to the Community Cooking account moved by Anne and seconded by Liz.		
1.	The Cooks Alliance Project The Alliance project was started in Italy in 2009. The participating chefs all have very diverse backgrounds and cooking styles, but they all share a commitment to protecting agricultural biodiversity and to safeguarding gastronomic knowledge and local cultures. It is proposed to start the first Alliance in Australia in the Hunter Valley. The project will be managed by Kat Smith (Melbourne), Amorelle & Helen who will recruit local chefs to build the Alliance & collaborate with local farmers & producers. Please see attached manifesto.	Projected CA launch costs: CA Postcard - \$300 for 100 Postage: \$50 Launch event: \$1000 Travel & Accomodation for KS: \$300 TOTAL:\$1,650 Moved by Matt and seconded by Leisha that SFHV support the launch of the Cooks Alliance Project. Amorelle to contact Destination NSW as a possible source of funding		



2.	2040 Film Night Update This film by Damon Gameau is being screened at Organic Feast on 12/9 (and possibly also at Hoyts Greenhills on 23/9). SFHV will support these events by promoting them to members & friends. OF screening costs \$20 & there are 50 seats available. Details will be on SFHV Facebook page.	Anne to continue to liaise with Organic Feast re 2040 screening on 12/9.
3.	School Garden at Areyonga Andrew will travel to Central Australia in 6 weeks to set up a school garden in Areyonga. The Watarrka Foundation will fund this trip. It was decided that SFHV would not provide any funds towards this one-off project but would consider a future allocation of money as appropriate.	
4.	Fresh Food Gardens in Central Australia SFHV has completed the Fresh Food Gardens Project in the Watarrka NP, a project which ran for 5 years and delivered excellent gardens at the 3 communities and the school at Lilla. This project was funded through a number of sources, including the Watarrka Foundation and SFHV. We are proud of our contribution to the Foundation projects and will continue to support future projects as appropriate. For 2019 and beyond, our priorities and activities have a new focus and we will be concentrating our funds on local indigenous projects.	Motion that SFHV writes to Paul Jensen stating the end of the 5 year partnership with the Watarrka Foundation relating to FFG in CA but continue to support future projects as appropriate. Moved by Andrew & seconded by Helen.
5.	General Business Preserving Series – Salt Workshop on 8/7 was very successful. The second workshop, Pickling, will take place on 7/8 at Bread & Water Café. There are 6 in total. Drought Boxes – we will continue to supply boxes of fresh food to drought affected areas of the Upper Hunter as long as funds are available. We will prepare another 40 boxes at the next EM 1/8. We need to source more boxes & share the delivery responsibilies across a number of volunteers. There will be an appeal on our Facebook page for donations of money and excess produce.	Cecily to promote on Facebook.
See SF	SF gatherings for 2019 FHV July newsletter for details of our future events. Talking Dinner Talking Farm xecutive Meeting: ay 20/8/19 @ 6pm at Polish Hall Central Maitland. come.	