

Meeting Name:	Minutes of Executive Meeting	Date:	November 15, 2019
Aim:	Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Polish Hall, Grant St, Maitland	Time:	6pm – 8.55pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Ruth Adams, Matt Kerr, Cecily Lenton, Johnny Wilson, Helen Hughes, Ian and Katie Clarke	Apologies	Liz Griffiths, Bob Adams, Leisha Parkinson

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

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<p>1. Minutes of previous meeting Business arising:</p> <p>2. Correspondence in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additions to members and friends list GMO Campaign and protest walk SF Australia Insurance update SFI 30yr anniversary of SF Manifesto SFHV aprons order EM requests, produce lists, Christmas activity impact in Levee, umbrella replacements <p>Correspondence out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SF Gardens in Africa Volunteer Approval Registration 	<p>Minutes moved by Ruth, seconded by Matt and carried.</p> <p>Correspondence moved by Johnny, seconded by Cecily and carried.</p> <p>Anne is liaising with appropriate bodies</p>
<p>3. Treasurer's Report Total donations to Feed Our Farmers campaign \$15,386. SFHV has committed to donating \$2,500 (\$943 remaining to be donated). Community grant of \$5000 received in October. Total cash position period ending 15/11/19 is \$37,395.</p>	<p>Moved by Matt, seconded by Anne "that the treasurer's report be accepted".</p>
<p>1. Strategic Planning: Our Strategic Plan has now been finalised and will soon be available on the SFHV website.</p>	
<p>2. Terra Madre Dinner 10/12 and SFI campaign 2019 Ticket sales are progressing well. There will be 15-20 volunteers attending. Percentage of ticket price goes towards our fundraising commitment to SFI. Need for someone to manage future raffles.</p>	<p>Call for raffle prizes to be donated by attendees. Prizes need to be collected by 6/12. Ruth to coordinate raffle on night of dinner</p>
<p>3. Maitland Show Commitment 2020 Discussion regarding focus for 2020. Suggestions to develop fruit and vegetable displays in the Horticulture Hall and educational activities on the first day of the show.</p>	<p>Anne to liaise with Maitland Show Committee</p>
<p>4. Terra Madre 2020 Discussion of scholarships for 2020 – chef, EM farmer, producer. Need to compile a list of contacts (industry and</p>	<p>Confirm date with SFI Helen to send current application to executive for update and contact Hunter TAFE re launch.</p>

media) for broad promotion of scholarships. Proposed launch in late February.	
<p>5. MCC Community Grants Phoenix Park Farm (Jesse Clarke) has received a grant for \$5000 to conduct farm education classes with local primary school students. Awaiting news regarding two grant applications to establish native food gardens locally (\$5000 EM Guides Hall/\$15,000 Maitland Guides Hall).</p>	Jesse to provide SFHV with receipts for equipment.
<p>6. Drought Boxes Last drought box collection will take place at the 1st EM in December and last drop for the year will be Friday 6/12/19 with an invitation to attend dinner at the Linga Longa Inn. There has been a call for home-made Christmas donations to add to boxes. A donation of 12 puddings has been received. It is hoped that boxes of Qld mangoes can be included in this drop.</p>	Helen to promote in next Members and Friends email.
<p>7. Gardens in Africa Cost of new garden will be 900 euros. SFHV to request invoice from SFI.</p>	Anne will continue to liaise with SFI and Gardens in Africa contact.
<p>8. Preserving Series This has been very successful. Eighteen people attended the drying workshop on 16/11 and Liz Griffiths will deliver the final labelling workshop on 1/12.</p>	
<p>9. Social Media We have 5403 followers on Facebook and 1048 followers on Instagram. Top posts – Market day promotion and “food in landfill” story. We still need to source appropriate images and relevant content for posts.</p>	Contact Cecily with photos and potential stories.
<p>10. Membership As at 19/11/19 there are 49 financial members. Young members are in the minority (1%). Mature members are remaining financial significantly longer than other members. Couple & mature couples are strongly represented. Individual memberships have shown the greatest increase in 2019.</p>	Tabled by Ruth
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of TFD agreement and Food Hall requirements • Need to coordinate emails to Members & Friends re EM • GMO legislation (new) passed this month/Amorelle still working on this issue as SF has a non GMO policy. 	Helen to email agreement to Executive Anne to contact MCC re mobile kitchen General email to be sent Friday prior to EM Produce email to be sent Tuesday prior to EM
<p>11. SF gatherings for 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labelling Workshop 1/12/19 • Dinner at the Linga Longa Inn 6/12/19 • Terra Madre Celebration 10/12/19 <p>Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday December 17th, Polish Hall, Central Maitland. TBC</p> <p>AGM 2020 scheduled for first Tuesday in February 4/2/20</p>	