

Meeting Name:	Executive Meeting	Date:	June 16, 2020
Aim:	Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Zoom Meeting	Time:	7pm – 9.05pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Johnny Wilson, Helen Hughes, Ruth Adams, Cecily Lenton, Amorelle Dempster, Alyssa Brody, Ewan Regazzo	Apologies	Jess Hodge, Ian Clarke, Carissa Mitchell

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

Minutes / Decisions	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of previous meeting <p>Business arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seed Library newsletter • Ern Harges Scholarship press release • Riverlights 10/10 online event • SFI newsletter • Correspondence out: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of Support – Streets as Shared Spaces Funding 	Minutes accepted by Johnny, seconded by Ruth.
<p>1. Treasurer’s Report One couple’s membership paid into SFHV account</p>	Report TBA
<p>1. Ern Harges Scholarship 2020 Discussion regarding ways to promote scholarship. Cecily assisted with scholarship tile design. Carissa shared media contacts. Anne sent press release to HOGS for dissemination.</p>	Cecily to promote on SFHV Facebook page. Representative from SFHV to be on selection panel.
<p>2. SFI Appeal SFI looking for financial support from members during COVID lockdown.</p>	
<p>3. Grants \$15,000 CEP grant – purchase of native food plants from Riverdene Nursery scheduled for 28/6. End date of project extended from 12/2020 to 6/2021. Rewriting of earlier \$5,000 CEP grant to shift location to Purple Pear Farm. A proposal is being written for a grant to create a children’s area at the EM.</p>	
<p>4. NENA Meeting Feedback Cecily and Ruth attended meeting. Community based group with with diverse background. Local focus on better food systems for Hunter and Central Coast. Closely aligned with SFHV philosophy.</p>	Cecily, Ruth and Aly will continue their involvement.

<p>5. July Meeting Venue Discussion re returning to F2F meetings.</p>	<p>Unanimous decision to continue Zoom meetings.</p>
<p>6. Community Gardens Plan of action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seasonal newsletter • Promotion of CG activities • Monthly CG post on SFHV Fb page • Printing of planting guide on recycled paper – 500 at a cost of \$800 	<p>Cecily preparing CG monthly post. AK to contact Sally Sneddon re printing.</p>
<p>7. Seed Library 500 people have joined and 120 have borrowed seeds. There will be a seasonal newsletter will keep people informed. Two major challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping people interested and engaged with the library • Supply of seeds 	<p>Amorelle is promoting through media interviews. Jess's planting guide to be offered to Seed Library borrowers. CGs and farmers to be contacted for seed donations.</p>
<p>8. Earth Market COVIVD safety plan working well. Spring Hill Beef – new EM producer. Blue Boat Farm returning. A request was made for 3 teardrop banners (\$145 each), 3 A Frame signs (\$189 each) and 3 directional signs from Officeworks. A motion was moved to use \$1,000 from the EM account for the purchase of above.</p>	<p>Moved by Amorelle and seconded by Anne.</p>
<p>9. Ark of Taste</p>	<p>Report TBA</p>
<p>10. Social Media Top posts: “Where to Buy” and “Ern Hardes Scholarship”. Need for assistance with posting. We have 7,071 followers on Facebook to date. Instagram has increased to 1,270 in June.</p>	<p>Aly will assist Cecily with content and scheduling on Airtable. Need to link posts to global network and brand.</p>
<p>11. Membership Four new members. Currently experiencing issues joining SFHV through SFI website due to COVID.</p>	
<p>12. Community Cooking SFHV Food Rescue and Community Cooking program has received a \$250 donation from Rotary and a \$1,000 Stockland grant. Amorelle and Andrew have contributed \$500 in dairy. Volunteers currently working from home but keen to return. Changes are being made to streamline preparation and cooking processes.</p>	
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New pull-up banner needed for EM • Terra Madre will go ahead this year in an online format from October 2020 to April 2021. • Country excursion 28/6 – Riverdene Nursery /Horn Farm / SpringHill Farm 	<p>AK to get quote from Sally Sneddon Amorelle will be asking for input from Australian convivia. HH to send newsletter to members and friends to promote excursion.</p>
<p>Next month's meeting is Tuesday, July 21 via Zoom. Meeting link and time will be emailed to attendees.</p>	