

Meeting Name:	Executive Meeting	Date:	November 24, 2020
Aim:	Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Zoom Meeting	Time:	7pm – 9.00pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Helen Hughes, Cecily Lenton, Ian Clarke, Marg Kavanagh, Melissa Fogarty, Denise Hawkins	Apologies	Amorelle Dempster

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

Minutes / Decisions	Action
<p>1. Minutes of previous meeting Business arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kirby Foundation project <p>2. Correspondence in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guide Hall Garden Opening/Letter of Thanks 2021 Schedule of Activities Ark of Taste Report EM Christmas stall/ EM MOU Volunteer offers CEP Newsletter/Survey/Costings 	<p>Minutes moved by Ian, seconded by Anne and carried.</p> <p>Correspondence moved by Ruth, seconded by Anne.</p>
<p>3. Treasurer's Report</p>	TBA
<p>1. Maitland Show Show will go ahead 19-21/2/21. SFHV responsible for fresh produce section. There will be 40 classes in vegetable schedule. Show committee has asked SFHV to sell watermelons over 3 days. Need to engage people to grow produce for competition. Entries to be delivered 18/2/21. Proposal to increase prize money provided by SFHV to \$400 .</p>	<p>Call for volunteers through social media and SF newsletter.</p> <p>Vegetable schedule to be forwarded to Seed Library and Liz for website.</p> <p>Three day roster to be developed.</p> <p>Moved by Ruth and seconded by Marg.</p>
<p>2. Earth Market MOU has been updated. Current risk assessment and KPIs to be reviewed. EM to become a Food Community with producers paying a portion of insurance cost. Christmas Market – 3/12/20 from 4-8pm with sale of gifts and street food. Preparation of salts/relish/ham glazes went well. Volunteers needed to man stall and cook. Annual mango sale will go ahead. Proposal that 50% of profit from sale to go the EM.</p>	<p>Moved by Anne and seconded by Marg.</p>
<p>3. Website Update Thanks to Liz for updates to website. EM content to be added.</p>	<p>Education tab could be added.</p>
<p>4. Hume Housing – Food Gardens in Backyards SFHV pledged \$500 for pilot project. SF to pay for garden beds and soil (\$200x3) plus \$400 for second round of plantings. Proposal to adjust pledge to \$1000. Compost</p>	<p>Moved by Anne, seconded by Ruth.</p>

<p>bins have been donated. Approach Bunnings for donations of plants. EM farmers might donate compost. SFHV to advise on planting. Cecily proposes establishment of community garden which would have broader reach.</p>	
<p>4. Maitland Guide Hall Planting Report Thank you to Marg who has been working on the garden. Need for weeding committee and environmentally friendly weed control.</p>	<p>Ian to contact Jarrad re control of couch grass on paths. Include request for weeding group over summer in SF newsletter. Approach Guides for weeding volunteers.</p>
<p>5. Balaji Seshadri – Research Project MOU with UoN to be developed re three year study of what farmers do with organic matter. Three visits per annum planned.</p>	
<p>6. Social Media There has been an increased following in November. Need ideas to help promote EM. Gardening posts have been very successful. Planned posts – Christmas Market/Maitland Show/Terra Madre Events</p>	<p>Credit Michelle King Photography when using her EM photos on SM. AD to feed EM news to CL.</p>
<p>7. Ark of Taste Ian has visited Purple Pear Farm re native food garden. Fencing required prior to planned planting in early autumn 2021.</p>	
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terra Madre Dinner 12/12/20 - members only. • Volunteer Thank You function 9/12/20 • Heritage Festival 12 & 13/6/21 invitation to participate 	
<p>Next month's meeting is Tuesday, January 17, at 7pm via Zoom. Meeting link and time will be emailed to attendees.</p>	