

Meeting Name:	Executive Meeting	Date:	March 16, 2021
Aim:	Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Zoom Meeting	Time:	7pm – 8.50pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Helen Hughes, Ruth Adams, Matt Kerr, Marg Kavanagh, Johnny Wilson, Cecily Lenton, Amorelle Dempster	Apologies	Ian Clarke, Jacquie Purcell, Kendall Harrison

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"> • Receipts sent to SFI for garden in Africa • Awaiting quote on SF t shirts • Membership follow-up by Ruth <p>2. Correspondence in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maitland Show Thank You • Seniors grant unsuccessful • Volunteer offers • Seed Library meeting 25/3/21 • Maitland Heritage Fest meeting 18/3/21 • Earth Market updates/Tilse's apples • Receipts from Square/Trybooking • Stockland grant applications open 	<p>Minutes moved by Ruth, seconded by Marg and carried.</p> <p>Correspondence moved by Anne and seconded by Ruth</p>
<p>3. Treasurer's Report Cash position YTD: Main account - \$16,000 / EM account - \$4,670 / Grants account - \$8,300 (\$5000 to be spent at PPF for native garden) / Community Kitchen account - \$2,800. \$1500 (900 Euro) has been paid to SFI to sponsor an African garden.</p>	<p>Moved by Matt, seconded by Ruth.</p> <p>Tom to invoice re garlic for Seed Library. Steve Tilse to invoice for apples. Matt to pay final invoices for Girl Guides Garden</p>
<p>1. Maitland Heritage Festival SFHV will participate on Sunday June 13. Suggested venue – Maitland Guide Hall. SFHV to provide food (BBQ). This will be a ticketed event which will include a tour of the native food garden. To be used as a fundraiser with proceeds to be shared with Maitland Guides.</p>	<p>Promote MHF on Facebook and in next SF newsletter.</p>
<p>2. Taste Festival SFHV will not be involved in Maitland Taste Festival in 2021.</p>	
<p>3. Total Field Days Bake or Burn competition has been cancelled. SFHV to deliver Food Rescue demonstrations and kid's cooking classes on Saturday and Sunday 1,2/5. Menu for SFHV stall is being developed. Need for volunteers and Covid marshalls.</p>	<p>Call to members and friends to volunteer via newsletter.</p>

<p>4. Earth Market Community SFI has agreed in principle to let EMM remain part of SFHV Convivium. All producers will be encouraged to become SF members. New meat producer from 1st April. Plan to conduct a honey tasting with all market bee keepers. There will be a pop-up EM at the new Cambridge Markets at Maitland Showground 1st Sunday of the month. Marquee update – 4 2x2 marquees should be delivered in April. Grant application submitted to Vibrant Cities for more marquees. Thanks to Reesa for all her hard work.</p>	
<p>5. SFA Meeting Chance for leaders to meet and discuss national focus. Ideas for discussion – food security, food waste, supporting young farmers, self-sufficient food communities, fostering seed saving, supporting local producers.</p>	
<p>6. Activities and Events Seed Saving workshops – March 28 and 30. Meet the Producer – Hunter Olives in May Maitland Heritage Fest – June 12 and 13. Community Kitchen Dinner – August. Meet the Producer – Fosterton Farm – September. Spring Dinner – early October Terra Madre Day – December Working Bee at Grace Springs Farm – TBC.</p>	
<p>7. Membership Need to discuss membership issues on a national level.</p>	
<p>8. Social Media Gardening/cooking/ Maitland Show posts performed well. Change to EM postings has improved engagement.</p>	
<p>9. Community Gardens Activity has increased.</p>	
<p>10. Community Cooking Proposed dinner for 100 people at \$80 per head as a way of fundraising.</p>	
<p>11. Seed Library Meeting 25/3. Suggestion to reach out to other seed libraries to offer excess seeds.</p>	
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing Vegetables Down Under – request to share content on Fb. 	
<p>Next month's meeting is Tuesday, April 20, at 7pm on Zoom.</p>	