

Meeting Name:	Executive Meeting	Date:	August 24, 2021
Aim:	Agenda	Minutes:	Helen Hughes
Venue:	Zoom Meeting	Time:	7pm – 8.40pm
Attendees	Anne Kelly, Amorelle Dempster, Matt Kerr, Ian Clarke, Ruth and Bob Adams, Cecily Lenton, Helen Hughes, Ruth Neave, Carly Hughes	Apologies	Marg Kavanagh

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"> Covered in agenda <p>2. Correspondence in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEP Native Garden finalisation CBP funding bid unsuccessful Seed Library updates EMM birthday 5/8 and cancellation 19/8 Letter of Approval – Temp Food Business HH Garden Working Bees update 	<p>Minutes moved by Anne, seconded by Ruth and carried.</p> <p>Correspondence moved by Ian and seconded by Matt.</p>
<p>3. Treasurer’s Report Cash position YTD: Main account - \$23,847 / EM account - \$574, EM cash float - \$100 / Community Kitchen account - \$2,625 / Grants account - \$347 / Africa Gardens account - \$50 / Payments account - \$1,565 / SFI account - \$785</p>	<p>Moved by Matt, seconded by Helen.</p>
<p>1. Use of Current SF Funds Projects must align with 3 pillars of SF – Education/Advocacy/Biodiversity.</p> <p>The following ideas were discussed in more detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Waste Project – Phoenix Park Farm (CH) Perpetual Food Bowl – Ruth Neave Develop a cookbook based on EMM (Amorelle) Employ videographer to develop videos of SF projects to share with public Conduct a skills audit of members to identify capability for project development Earth Market Cookbook 	<p>Carly Hughes to send costed proposal of Food Waste Project to SFHV for review. Ruth Neave to mock up a sign and information sheet for PFB and do a costing of seed packets.</p> <p>Ruth Adams to look at ideas for SF videos based on 3 pillars. Ruth Adams to follow up with Renae McLean regarding Skills Audit. Amorelle to set up Cookbook committee.</p>
<p>2. Fresh Food Bags Initiative Four week timeline – Wk1 x 35 bags, Wk2 x 55 bags. Need to give all our EM producers the opportunity to provide excess vegetables to initiative. Ideas needed to promote donations.</p>	<p>Contact 2NURFM to promote initiative. Contact Loretta Baker, Mayor of Maitland, for support.</p>

<p>3. Earth Market Currently suspended. If the situation improves in the Hunter, EMM may go ahead in September. Possibility of holding an unscheduled market after lockdown ends.</p>	
<p>4. Membership Report submitted by RA. Communication with lapsed members is suspended during current lockdown.</p>	
<p>5. Gardens in Africa Report submitted by Ruth.</p>	<p>Copy Elisa Demichelis into emails.</p>
<p>6. Social Media Thanks to Cecily for the informative lockdown posts. Recent post have had a huge reach.</p>	<p>Contact Cecily if you can provide content for posts.</p>
<p>7. Community Gardens Seasonal newsletter sent out each quarter.</p>	
<p>8. Ark of Taste/Native Food Gardens Plant name plaques installed by Ian. Further work suspended during lockdown.</p>	
<p>9. Community Cooking Fundraiser postponed due to lockdown. Collaboration between SFHV and Murrays Brewery has produced 2 products – Rescue Gin and Paterson River Orange Bitters. Currently exploring possibility of online sales through the brewery.</p>	
<p>10. Seed Library Library closed due to lockdown.</p>	
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Austin Breiner is planning to leave a legacy of a native forest on his property. 	<p>SFHV to support this initiative with volunteer assistance.</p>
<p>Next month's meeting is Tuesday, September 21, at 7pm on Zoom.</p>	