

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY 09 JUNE 2017 @ 2.00PM
CATHEDRAL HOUSE:

The meeting opened at 2pm with the Friends' traditional prayer in which all present joined in.

OPENING PRAYER:

Dearest Jesus, teach us to be generous, to love and serve You as You deserve, to give and not count the cost, to fight and not heed the wounds, to toil and not seek reward, save that of knowing we do Your holy will. Amen.

Gathered in Your name, we come before You, Holy Spirit, and ask that You enlighten our hearts to know Your will and make it our own in our own lives and in that of this committee. Amen.

PRESENT: Ellen Boissett, Antoinette Cornelius, Betty Hanrahan, Helen Hofman, , Michael Douglas, Richard Flynn, Sev Milazzo and Anthony Restuccia.

APOLOGIES: Jacqueline Roche, Annette Marskell, Marguerite Ghafari and Richard Stevens (standing apology).

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 50 Life Member medallions @ \$2419 received as approved.
2. New Life Member [REDACTED] minuted at meeting.
3. Secretary lodged his available records; Ellen and Helen in Jacqueline's absence to inspect records in filing cabinet; President to arrange for secure destruction of old Easter banners as they no longer have endorsed City of Sydney logo;

4. Michael Douglas was presented with his life membership medallion;
5. Next information evening to be presented by Thomas Wilson on Thursday 15 June 2017 in the choir rooms. It is anticipated that in addition to the current 5 bookings, there will be further walk-ins on the night.
6. Trivia Quiz night on Saturday evening 17 June 2017 in Br Hoffman Hall – pastries, pumpkin soup / tomato and chive soup, chicken wings, plain bread rolls, salads and fruit, plastic glasses and cups. Tea and coffee provided. BYO alcohol. Helen to liaise with College for use of kitchen facilities.
7. Helen also to liaise with College OBU for trivia night publicity.
8. Some membership enquiries have resulted from new brochures.
9. Helen to arrange for \$100 plus delivery bouquet to Jacqueline wishing her a speedy recovery from her fall.
10. Outreach to Cathedral parishioners and visitors for database for interest in Friends functions.
11. Cathedral book discussion: professional, authoritative, literary contributors, photo coverage. Richard to invite the Dean to meeting to discuss more fully. Could be undertaken as joint venture with Cathedral / Archdiocese. Imperative that Friends claim ownership of this project. Secretary to bring copy of previous volume together with St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne etc books.
12. Discussion of group memberships whereby the group would be charged a flat fee of say \$200 for its members who would then be entitled to attend functions at members rates. Savings on mail outs as group would then advise its members.

13. Notice of death of [REDACTED] – RIP.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As presented and accepted.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 28 July 2017 @ 2PM.

CLOSING PRAYER: We thank you, O Lord, for Thy gifts as we particularly remember the generosity of the Friends, past and present, and we ask that You reward with eternal life those who have gone before us and that You bless us who live that we might glorify Your Name. Amen.

St Ephrem, pray for us.

Our Lady Help of Christians, guard our land and pray for us.