

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY 28 JULY 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: Annette Marskell, Betty Hanrahan, Ellen Boissett, Annette Cornelius, Marguerite Ghafari, Richard Flynn, Sev Milazzo, Anthony Restuccia and Fr Don Richardson.

APOLOGIES: Helen Hofman, Jacqueline Roche, Michael Douglas and Richard Stevens (standing apology).

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application for life membership for [REDACTED] received, considered and approved with payment received.
2. Helen and Annette to follow up on archives with assistance as required. Easter banners have been securely disposed of.
3. Interesting and entertaining talk presented by Thomas Wilson. Attendance not as well anticipated. Suggestion that Mr Murray

–Luke of the Cathedral Bellringers be considered as next Guest Speaker.

4. Trivia quiz went well. Thanks to Helen for her extensive involvement in preparation. Evening resulted in \$764 profit.
5. Flowers were sent to [REDACTED] (in lieu of Jacqueline Roche) as [REDACTED] has been diagnosed with a brain tumour and is seriously ill.
6. Outreach to Cathedral parishioners and visitors for database for interest in Friends functions to be pursued with Friends' active involvement at weekend Cathedral Masses initially at 9am and 10.30am. Still to be formalised.
7. Cathedral book discussion: professional, authoritative, literary contributors, photo coverage and marketability. The Secretary provided Westminster, Perth and Melbourne Cathedral books as examples. The Dean suggested that we should liaise with Helen Morrissey of Cathedral House who had some background in publishing.
8. Discussion of group / corporate memberships whereby the group would be charged a flat fee of say \$300 for its members who would then be entitled to attend functions at members rates. Savings on mail outs as group's President would then advise its members. A 3 tier pricing structure was proposed – member, corporate / group member and non member.
9. Anthony Restuccia advised that he attended [REDACTED] Requiem Mass.
10. The Dean gave an interesting and informative history of a Minor Basilica entitlements. The Sacristan and he canvassed various locations for the insignia and settled on placement at St

Peter's Altar. Assuming the base would be ready, it was suggested that the Patronal Feast of the Immaculate Conception might be a fitting date for the installation of the insignia or the following Sunday.

11. Any contributions to the Pell defence fund are to be a purely personal.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As presented and accepted.

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 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.

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