

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2020 @ 3.30PM
VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Carolyn Lewis, Richard Flynn, Anthony Restuccia, Michael Douglas and Sev Milazzo

APOLOGIES: Fr Don Richardson and Marguerite Ghafari

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 28 January 2021 @ 3.30pm - venue / zoom to be advised

MINUTES: Minutes of meeting of 15 October 2020, moved by Richard Flynn and seconded by Carolyn Lewis, were accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Donations, following the Thomas Wilson talks, were received from Christine Neves \$500, Christopher Flynn \$200 and Margaret Goldrick \$100.
2. Carolyn suggested that protocols for resumed talks and activities be considered: eg trivia nights - BYO and reduced admission.
3. Carolyn offered to assist archivist in presentation from historian aspect for early March - Secretary to follow up with Lienntje Cornellisen;
4. Suggestions for future talks - Mons Tony Doherty on Spires; Dr the Revd Challis on Cathedral Follies (ACHS Speakers); Mons Doherty on the Baptistry; and Fr Richard Leonard SJ.
5. Michael Douglas reflected on previous Cathedral liturgical vestments and other exhibits;
6. Michael Douglas reiterated his proposal of short videos on cathedral aspects suggesting that options should be explored and if necessary appeals be made for these projects to cover any professional costs and expenses incurred. He proposed

that Mons Doherty, Fr Don, Chris Backhouse and others be asked to volunteer their services and expertise. Carolyn Lewis countered that such projects should be done professionally with regard to intellectual property and use of professional services. Michael Douglas to prepare brief for future consideration.

7. Office Bearers' responsibilities: Discussion was deferred to only next meeting provided there was receipt of Anthony Restuccia's email concerns a week prior to our meeting;

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer's report:

1. Treasurer's report for meeting of 15 October 2020 is well overdue and is yet to be received at today's date (26 November 2020) though the Treasurer indicated subsequent to the last meeting that it would be posted;
2. In the Treasurer's absence, no report was tendered for today's meeting;
3. Secretary to follow up with Treasurer re status of both reports.

New member:

Application for Single 3 Year Membership for Yvonne Bachiller has been received, considered and approved with receipt of payment. Moved by Richard Flynn and seconded by Anthony Restuccia.

Friends Luncheon:

Anthony Restuccia raised the desirability of a Friends luncheon at an external venue pending resolution of covid restrictions at Cathedral House.

Newman Pre-Dieu:

In the absence of the Dean, the St John Henry Cardinal Newman pre-dieu bequest update was again deferred.

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.

Signature of President: